

Air Pollution Control District San Luis Obispo County

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SLO County Air Pollution Control District Welcomes a New Executive Director

SAN LUIS OBISPO, CALIFORNIA – At the September 27, 2017 APCD Board Meeting, Gary Willey was selected as the new Air Pollution Control Officer for the SLO County Air Pollution Control District. November 19 marked Willey's first day in his new role. Willey has been part of the SLO County APCD staff since 1990, when he was hired as an entry-level Air Quality Engineer, before beginning his role as the Engineering Manager in January of 2007. Willey is a graduate of the Cal Poly San Luis Obispo Engineering Program and Cuesta College. He and his wife Carla raised three daughters and several Labrador Retrievers in SLO County. Willey enjoys the outdoors and almost any sport.

Looking towards the future, Willey is thankful for the opportunity to work with the SLO County APCD Board on solving the air pollution issues affecting our community. "We have a great community in San Luis Obispo County and I look forward to hearing from all of them. We really have an abundance of very bright people in this county, it's an excellent opportunity," says Willey.

Former APCO, Larry Allen, retired after over 35 years at the SLO County Air Pollution Control District. Allen started his time at the SLO County APCD as a contractor in 1982, and was later hired as an Air Pollution Control Tech in 1984. He worked his way up to becoming the Senior Air Quality Specialist for the Planning and Outreach Division in 1987, before being selected as Air Pollution Control Officer in February of 2002.

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