



## Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District Board of Trustees (Regional Board)

### Applicant Information

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*Employer and Occupation*

Retired

*Currently Serving on a Commission/Committee?*

Yes

*If yes, please specify:*

Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control District

### Folsom Residency / Registered Voter Verification

*Registered to vote?*

Yes

### Financial Disclosure / Ethics Training

*I understand that commission and committee members must file statements disclosing financial information.*

Yes

*I understand that commission and committee members must complete ethics and harassment training.*

Yes

### Informational Questions



**Why do you want to serve on this commission or committee?**

*Response*

I have lived in Folsom over 65 years and I'm a third generation Folsom area resident. I served for 10 years as president of the Folsom Concert Association (FCA) which brings affordable concerts to residents of Folsom and the surrounding communities.

I was elected in 1975 and served 5 four year terms on the Folsom Cordova Unified School District Board of Education. I'm a founding member of the Folsom Athletic Association, past member of the Folsom Chamber of Commerce and past member of the Folsom Parks & Recreation Commission.

I formerly served as the SYMVCD representative on the City of Folsom's Oversight Successor Agency Board unwinding bond funds from the City's past Redevelopment Agency.

I believe in being a responsible citizen and with that comes giving back to the community through volunteer service and advocacy for its citizens..

I have a deep and abiding interest in protecting the environment and public health from insect borne disease.

I want to continue serving on the Board as I have the knowledge and dedication to ensure the Sacramento - Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control District (SYMVCD) is fiscally sound and socially just.



**What do you think is (are) the top issue(s) facing this commission or committee?**

*Response*

"The mission of the District is to provide safe, effective and economical mosquito control to protect the health and welfare of the District's residents. To achieve this, the District utilizes an Integrated Pest Management Approach that includes public information, surveillance of mosquito populations that can pose a threat, use of mosquitofish as a form of biological control, working with landowners to prevent mosquitoes from developing on their properties and chemical control to significantly reduce mosquito populations that pose a threat of disease."

The critical issue facing SYMVCD is trying to prevent the invasive *Aedes aegypti* disease carrying mosquitoes from becoming endemic to Sacramento & Yolo counties. The *Aedes aegypti* mosquito can carry Yellow Fever, Zika, Dengue and Chikungunya disease. It is a day biting mosquito that lays its eggs in dry containers waiting for water for the eggs to hatch. Since it can lay eggs in something as small as a bottle cap or a pet's dish in a backyard it is often very difficult to find the source of the mosquito. The eggs can be viable for a whole year in a dry state. They can also breed in water containers in a home. This requires mosquito technicians to inspect homes, backyards and surrounding areas and to develop innovative ways to protect the residents.

This will require many more technicians which will have a dramatic effect on the District's budget.

One of the other major issues is the expanding growth of organically grown rice which prevents the use of normal larvicides and adulticides. New and developing control materials must be found to control these mosquitoes from becoming a nuisance or disease vector.



**Briefly describe how your experiences qualify you to serve on the commission or committee.**

*Response*

I'm a Folsom High School graduate; I have a BA in Chemistry from California State University Sacramento (CSUS) and a Master of Environmental Management from the University of San Francisco (USF). I believe I have unique and qualifying experience having worked for the Sacramento - Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control (SYMVCD) in summers while attending CSUS. I have been the City of Folsom's appointed governing board member to SYMVCD for a number of years. As a current trustee, I have been elected to all Board leadership positions and I've served as president many times in the past.

I'm fiscally conservative and always keep a sharp eye on District expenditures. I instituted the 5-year budget plan for forecasting projects and budget expenditures for capital improvements and new technology. I required the 5 year plan to be updated every year and the status briefed to the board on a regular basis. I have been aggressive in getting the District Manager to set aside funds to reduce our PERS unfunded liability while also preparing long range plans for the unprecedented residential growth in the Sacramento and Yolo Counties.

I've been a staunch supporter of Folsom for many, many years in posts to the media, TV, etc.

**Which commission or committee meetings have you attended?**

*Response*

I have attended all SYMVCD board meeting and all Folsom Lake College Philanthropy meetings. As a member of the now defunct City of Folsom's Oversight Successor Agency Board I attended all the meetings. On the Folsom Cordova Unified School District Board I attended all the meetings, some even lasting past midnight.

I attend the Folsom City Council meetings and make at least a yearly presentation to the Council on mosquito control efforts.

**Truth and Accuracy**

*Signature*

Craig R. Burnett

*Signature Date*

10/19/2025