

UWCD DIRECTOR BRUCE DANDY WINS REGIONAL AWARD!

Congratulations to United Water Conservation District Director Bruce Dandy on receiving the *Ventura County Special Districts Association's Director of the Year* award.

As 2017 President of the United Water Board of Directors, Mr. Dandy helped usher in a new era of collaboration and legislative outreach at the District. As the head of the District's ad hoc Legislative Committee, Dandy spearheaded several trips to the nation's capital to meet with elected officials and federal government agencies in an effort to garner support for the District's efforts in successfully managing, protecting, preserving and enhancing the local water resources in Ventura County.

Dandy, who represents UWCD's Division 5 in northwest Oxnard, has also been instrumental in facilitating timely communications and educational outreach to cities in Ventura County as well as with the Ventura County Special District Association, Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo), the Ventura County Board of Supervisors, and the Oxnard Chamber of Commerce (where he serves as the head of its Water Issues Committee). He has reached out to other public agencies and special districts for their support of United Water's projects and long term local water enhancement strategies. He also regularly engages with Directors of other water agencies in Ventura and Los Angeles counties for the exchange of information, ideas and in fostering potential partnerships.

Dandy retired from the City of Oxnard in October 2013, after working for 23 years in its Finance and Personnel and Employee Relations departments. He has also served as Executive Director for the California Junior Chamber of Commerce, Executive Director of the Public Employees Association of Tulare County and General Manager of the Long Beach City Employees Association.

An ardent supporter of community organizations, Dandy has long been active in the Boy Scouts of America, Jaycees International, and Muscular Dystrophy Association, among others.