

Michael Weststeyn

South San Joaquin Irrigation Division 4 Board member position.

My name is Michael Weststeyn and I am running for the South San Joaquin Irrigation Division 4 Board member position.

I am a 53 year old self employed almond farmer and have been involved in the agriculture industry my entire life. After graduation from Ripon Christian High School, I attended Modesto Junior College. I then transferred to California State University, Fresno and graduated with a BS in Agribusiness. My wife and I have three wonderful kids, two attend college and one is currently in high school.

My desire as a SSJID Board member is to continue to guide the District as a premier organization that gives the upmost value to its customers. By protecting water rights, serving all constituents in the district, and making the District a desired place to work for its employees we can make the Central Valley a thriving economic powerhouse. Water is one of the necessary factors to make that happen. Affordable and reliable water will assure a bright future for our region. I will work to keep the vital resources of water and power flowing in the most efficient manner possible as a member of this governing board. Along with striving to maintain the strong economic position that the district historically has produced. Through creative and innovative ideas along with hard work I know this irrigation district will be the envy of the state and even the world. We have been blessed with the best climate and soils that can produce a wide variety of crops to feed the world. It would be an honor to serve on the board of an irrigation district which makes that a reality.

I would appreciate your vote on Nov. 3 for the position of Board member Division 4 South San Joaquin Irrigation District.