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Thank You for the Welcome, Nipomo

The mission of the Nipomo Community Services District is to provide its customers with reliable, quality, and cost-effective services now and in the future.

This is my first opportunity to thank the residents of Nipomo for the warm welcome. My wife Carri and I have purchased a home in Nipomo. As we join the community, we are looking forward to making new friends. Our move to Nipomo will be our first move away from the Monterey Peninsula. We both agree we couldn't have picked a more idyllic setting.

Our move to Nipomo is coming along nicely. Carri will be seeking out community service work as a volunteer once our home is set up. Her years of experience working with the American Red Cross as well as her cheerful disposition and good humor will be an asset to the community.

Our two sons are grown and making their mark in the world. The older son Mario, is an active duty armor officer stationed in Michigan with his wife Michelle and two children, little Mario and Kelsey. Nathan, our second son works for Google in Sunnyvale and has served as an intelligence officer in the California National Guard since 2004. Collectively, they have deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan on five different occasions. Both sons are state-side now but stand at the ready should they be called upon to deploy.

I have a lot to learn as the new General Manager for Nipomo Community Services District. My focus is on working with a team dedicated to securing a reliable water supply and maintaining a dependable wastewater system. These are the foundation assets on which a community builds its prosperity. I've come to this conclusion after sixteen years with California-American Water in Monterey, five years with the Aromas Water District and ten years with the City of Morgan Hill. These organizations faced a common challenge – providing affordable utility services to a community in a dynamic environment.

Nipomo's future looks bright today because of the great work of many people. The community's willingness to engage in problem solving with their elected representatives is how success will continue. The District's dedicated and professional staff is ready to carry out the will of the people. I look forward to contributing to Nipomo Community Services District's mission of providing its customers with reliable, quality, and cost-effective services now and in the future.

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