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## **IEUA Announces Shivaji Deshmukh As New General Manager**

*Will join Agency April 8, 2019*

**INLAND EMPIRE, CA** – The Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA/Agency) Board of Directors announced this week that 19-year water industry veteran Shivaji Deshmukh will join IEUA as the Agency’s 18<sup>th</sup> general manager, beginning April 8, 2019.

Deshmukh comes to IEUA from West Basin Municipal Water District, where he served as Assistant General Manager since 2010. He oversaw engineering, operations, the recycled water program, and two major capital improvement programs. Prior to that, Deshmukh served Orange County Water District, managing the implementation, design, and construction of the Groundwater Replenishment System, a 100 million gallon per day potable reuse project.

“IEUA is well known for its leadership in sustainability and environmental stewardship and is well respected for securing grant funding for projects that aid in securing a quality water supply,” stated Deshmukh. “I am looking forward to working closely with the IEUA Board of Directors and staff to continue to enhance water resources management in the Chino Basin.”

“We are looking forward to having Shivaji join and lead our team as general manager. Shivaji is a proven leader with impressive credentials and experience in both water and wastewater management,” said IEUA Board President Paul Hofer. “His extensive knowledge and experience in water and resource management will be increasingly valuable in maintaining IEUA’s mission and vision.”

Deshmukh is a licensed engineer with experience managing large infrastructure projects, operations, finance, and public outreach programs. Deshmukh earned his Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees from the University of California, Los Angeles, and has been active in both WateReuse and the American Water Works Association.

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*The Inland Empire Utilities Agency covers 242-square miles, distributes imported water, provides industrial/municipal wastewater collection and treatment services, and other related utility services to more than 875,000 people through its member agencies which include Chino, Chino Hills, Cucamonga Valley Water District, Fontana, Fontana Water Company, Montclair, Monte Vista Water District, Ontario, and Upland.*