



Submitted application for Monterey County Regional Fire District

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First Name *

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Last Name *

Address 1 *

Address 2 (optional)

City *

State *

Postal Code *

93908

What district do you live in? *

Unknown

What district do you want to serve in?

Unknown District

Some boards and commissions require membership to be racially, politically or geographically proportionate to the general public. The following information helps track our recruitment and diversity efforts.

Ethnicity

White

Gender

Female

Primary Phone *

[REDACTED]

Alternate Phone

[REDACTED]

Please identify how you prefer to be contacted.

Email

Are you currently serving on a County of Monterey Board, Commission, Committee or other Community Advisory Group? *

No

Interests & Experiences

Please tell us about yourself and why you want serve

As a Monterey County resident since 1969 I have been active in a wide variety of community organizations and public agencies. I believe public service is a vital component of healthy, well-functioning communities. My experience includes 9 years as an elected office holder (Salinas City Council), and work in education and in public health. I have been involved with land use planning, water issues, and community service organizations such as United Way. Please see my uploaded resume for a more detailed listing of my work and community experience. Being an effective board member requires knowledge of the district being served, understanding the factors that determine how best to provide a crucial public service, and a willingness to learn all the necessary background information to be able to make informed decisions. My extensive community experience has provided me with the ability to understand the community's needs, and the ability to facilitate public discussion of how to best meet those needs. Public safety is a primary obligation of local government. The role of the Monterey County Regional Fire District in providing emergency services is key to public health and property protection. I would be pleased to be a part of helping the District carry out its important work.

Please state the reason you would like to be a member of this board committee/commission/district.

I would like to serve on the MCRFD Board because there is a great need for cooperation and communication between the District and the public they serve. Our own evacuation in 2020 from the River Fire was certainly a wake up call about the need for residents' preparedness. By taking steps towards being fire wise the public can assist MCRFD as they protect the District's residents. I served 9 years on the Salinas City Council before moving to San Benancio. I am very familiar with fire department operations and challenges. Our first responders play such a critical role in both property protection and emergency medical services. MCRFD deserves a dedicated board committed to assisting the District in having the tools they need to do their job. I know the community. I know the District's territory. I believe my broad background of community service would enable me to be an effective Board member, and I would appreciate the opportunity to serve the community as a member of the MCRFD Board.

Have you served on an advisory group before?

Yes

If yes, please explain

I served on the Monterey County Agricultural Advisory Committee as a representative of the public. I held appointed voting positions on AMBAG, LAFCO, Monterey County Water Resources Agency and Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency (now Monterey 1 Water) Boards.

How did you hear about the position?

I saw the notice on NextDoor.

County of Monterey Policy - states that Commissioners are required to attend meetings on a regular basis. If appointed, will you be able to attend meetings regularly and devote the time necessary to fulfill your duties as a member *

Yes

Background Information

Upload a resume with the names, addresses, and dates of employers for the last five (5) years.

[View Resume](#)

Employer

Not employed for the last 5 years

Job Title

Occupation

Employer Address

Information Regarding Conflict of Interest and Filing of Statements of Economic Interests (Form 700)

State and local law requires that you abstain from participation in decisions that may affect your financial interest, including sources of income and interest in real property or investments. In addition, if appointed you may be required to fill out a disclosure statement that identifies certain of your financial interest beginning with the immediate 12 months period prior to your appointment.

In accordance with Government Code Sections 87313 and the County of Monterey's Conflict of Interest Code, this Board/commission/Committee/District, you may be required to file statements disclosing certain types of information so that the public can be made aware of potential conflicts of interest. The types of disclosures are:

- Investments
- Interests in Real Property Held by a Business Entity or Trust
- Investments Held by a Business Entity or Trust Income (other than loans and gifts)
- Income – Travel Payments, Advances, Reimbursements
- Income gifts
- Business Positions
- Commission Income Received by Brokers, Agents, and Salespersons
- Income and Loans to a Business Entity or Trust Income from Rental Property

If you have any questions regarding disclosure requirements, please contact the Clerk of the Board's office at 831-755-5066.

Please identify any specialized accommodations needed for equal participation:

none

I DECLARE, UNDER PENALTY OF DISQUALIFICATION AND TERMINATION, THAT ALL STATEMENTS IN THIS APPLICATION ARE TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

Enter Your Initials *

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Phyllis Meurer

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Graduate San Francisco State University – BA Degree in Geography

Work Experience:

Naturalist National Park Service Badlands National Park

Sumitomo Bank San Francisco

Salinas Union High School District

Salinas City Elementary School District

American Lung Association

National Steinbeck Center

Note: no employment in last 5 years

Community Involvement

Past

Member Salinas City Council 1983-1992

Public Member Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)

Member Monterey County Agricultural Advisory Committee

Board Member Monterey County Water Resources Agency

Board Member United Way

President League of Women Voters Salinas

Board Member (Energy Portfolio) League of Women Voters of California

Board Member Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG)

Board Member Community Human Services

Board Member Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency (now Monterey 1 Water)

Public Member of Monterey Herald Editorial Board

Current

Board Member Carmel River Watershed Conservancy