## **Division 4**





John Covington President

# **Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District**

John Covington was elected in 2014 and has also served as President, Vice-President and Treasure for the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District (BCVWD). Director Covington is currently the Chair to the Personnel Committee and began his water career at BCVWD in 2000 as a Water Distribution System Operator / Supervisor.

### **Dedication to Progress**

Director Covington has over 3 decades of industry experience, as well as serving many local agencies and intergovernmental committees. He is experienced in local and regional water issues and has been instrumental as an advocate for legislative reform relating to Native American water resources and water rights. Director Covington has provided expert witness testimony related to water rights and has been recognized by many agencies as a collaborative key person in negotiations and implementing key management decisions and projects.

Mr. Covington's commitment to the water industry and community is demonstrated through his community service, membership, and participation in several committees statewide.

# Licenses and Societies

- State of California Water Distribution Grade III
- State of California Water Treatment Grade III
- American Water Works Water Distribution Operator Grade II
- State of California Tribal Advisory Committee Member (DWR)
- American Water Works Association CA/NV Member
- Association of California Water Agencies Member
- California Rural Water Association Board Member
- \* State of California Delegate, National Rural Water Association Board of Directors
- Beaumont Cherry Valley Water District Elected Member (Elected)
- Riverside County Municipal Advisory Commission (Chairman)

### **Professional Experience**

Currently, he has 35 years of water industry experience, an Associate of Arts Degree, and a Water Supply Engineering Certification from San Bernardino Valley College District. Mr. Covington has been employed by the Morongo Band of Mission Indians since 2005. He was hired to manage the Tribes Water and Wastewater Departments and implement all water resource management activities. He also serves in the capacity of Tribal Government Administrator which oversees numerous other tribal departments. His professional career started in 1987 in the public sector of the water industry and continues working for the Tribal Government. He also has extensive knowledge related to Tribal Water Rights (Federally Reserved) State Water Rights, and Statewide Resource Water Management.