

## PRESS RELEASE – 11/18/2016 PHELAN PINON HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT Local Director Appointed to CSDA Finance Corporation Board

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In a meeting held in Sacramento on November 4, 2016, the CSDA (California Special Districts Association) Board of Directors ratified a previous vote of the Board of Directors of the CSDA Finance Corporation to have local Phelan Piñon Hills Community Services District Director Alex Brandon fill an open seat. The CSDA is the statewide organization that represents hundreds of special districts all over the state both in membership and lobbying/legislative efforts. Aside from it and the Finance Corp., the other component to the three-way alliance is the SDRMA (Special District Risk Management Association). PPHCSD uses the SDRMA for their property, casualty and workers' compensation insurance.

The CSDA Finance Corp. was instrumental in Phelan Piñon Hills obtaining financing for its net metering solar project on District property in El Mirage. The Finance Corp. understands that today, more than ever, public agencies are faced with restricted revenues, mandated expenditures and a sluggish economy. Through their various financial programs, they are able to provide affordable financing solutions for capital improvement programs and other municipal financings.

Along with Director Brandon's local elected service on the PPHCSD board, including its Finance Committee the past five years, he has also become increasingly active with the state association. He has participated on several working groups and feedback teams and held seats on the Election & Bylaws and Professional Development Committees for two years. He also served one year on the board for the Association of San Bernardino County Special Districts, the local chapter of CSDA. "Along with the obvious satisfaction of having one's personal work and background recognized, I also believe this appointment is a feather in the cap for our young District" Brandon said. "And that is a credit to the hard work our General Manager and staff have put in over the past eight years."

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