

## Gary Anderson, Candidate for the Genesee Water and Sanitation District Board

I am a 32 year resident in the Genesee Water & Sanitation District (GWSD). Having previously served ten years on the Board, eight of those as president, I have an in-depth knowledge of District operations. During my tenure as president, I worked closely with District management in performing a detailed analysis of the District's operations and existing infrastructure. That effort culminated in a five year project to replace the outdated, 80's era inadequate water treatment plant with a modern, state of the art Advanced Water Treatment Facility. This facility was put into service in 2017 and will serve District customers for many years into the future.



When I retired from the Board, I did not intend to become a candidate again, but three recent Board actions have caused me to reconsider that decision.

1-Incessant and antagonistic interference by the Board in day-to-day operations of the District spearheaded by the current president, resulting in the filing of a formal Hostile Work Environment complaint by a member of the management team. This filing led to legal counsel review of the president's actions and board governance practices. The legal report is still in progress but should be available on the GWSD website when complete.

2-In violation of the District's long established policy, the Board sent an "intent to serve" letter to a developer, indicating willingness to grant an unknown number of water and sewer taps.

3-Cancellation of the 46 acre-foot, multi-year reservoir expansion project after investing \$500,000 to produce a detailed design, a completed construction bidding process, and a selected contractor. This project was supported by the Colorado Water Conservation Board with an outright grant to the District of \$1.34 million to support construction, and a 40 year 2.5% loan of \$4.24 million. Only an aggressive email campaign from approximately 300 District customers in support of the project influenced the Board to reverse its decision.

If elected to the GWSD Board, I have four specific priorities for the District.

1-Restore employee trust in their relationship with the Board.

2-Complete the reservoir-expansion project, bringing an additional 46-acre-feet of storage into the community water reserves.

3-Examine the water-rights and storage-rights portfolios of the District and seek opportunities to monetize such rights that may exceed community needs.

4-Enhance cooperation between the governing bodies on our mountain: GWSD, Genesee Foundation, Genesee Village, Chimney Creek 1 & 2, and Genesee Fire Protection District.

With your vote we can, together, ensure continued high-quality operation of this Special District.

Thank you for your vote,

Gary Anderson

