



International Erosion Control Association

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International Erosion Control Association Announces 2009 Board of Directors

Denver, Colo. The International Erosion Control Association's membership voted to re-elect Becky Gauthier to the 2009 Board of Directors. Joining Gauthier to the 2009 Board of Directors are new board members Phil Handley and Rick Morse.

Handley and Morse will begin their service to the association and its members in February alongside fellow Board members Mike Chase, CPESC, CPSWQ, CESSWI, Julie Etra, CPESC, Becky Gauthier, Mark Hunter, PE, Sandy Mathews, Brock Peters, CISEC, and Tom Williams, CPESC.

Becky Gauthier, works as a Technical Associate for Profile Products. She has over 17 years experience in the hydraulic mulch industry and has been an active member of IECA since 1988. During this time, she has served as the Board of Directors Administrative Vice President, Chair of the Ethic Committee, Chapter Advisory Committee and Professional Development Committee. "I am passionate about the International Erosion Control Association as a place for industry experts to gather and talk about our projects and products. It provides a safe environment for contractors, engineers, specifiers and suppliers," Gauthier said.

Phil Handley, REM, CPESC, is a Construction Compliance Supervisor of the San Antonio Water System and has been an active member of IECA since 2003. His leadership experience with IECA includes South Central Chapter Board member, Vice President- Administration and Chapter President. Handley is also serving as a member of the Government Relations Committee and the Future of the Association Strategy Team (FAST). "I will work diligently and effectively as a Board Member to represent the best interests of the IECA, its membership and the citizens we serve," Handley stated.

Rick Morse, CPESC, CPSS, CEnvP, is retired though he continues to work part-time as a consultant to his former company, SEEC Morse McVey. Morse has served on the Australasian Chapter Board of Directors as Secretary, is currently serving on the International Development Committee and is International Associate Editor for *Environmental Connection*, IECA's members-only magazine. Morse had this to say about becoming a member of the IECA Board, "I have sought to be a trail blazer, to bring the erosion and sediment control ethos to the forefront of awareness of our legislators, consent authorities, and land developers and their consultants. As a result, real and meaningful changes have occurred in New South Wales and are beginning to occur in southeast Queensland as well. I have helped set wheels in motion with a momentum that cannot be stopped now. My desire is to see that momentum spread even wider."

The IECA Board of Directors is made up of nine members, each serving a three year term. Board positions will be decided at the Board meeting to be held at Environmental Connection EC09, IECA's annual conference and expo, February 9-13, 2009, in Reno, NV., USA.

IECA would like to thank outgoing Board of Director members Ron Faucher, CPESC and Lee Johnson, CPESC for their years of dedication and service to the Association. As Board president, Ron Faucher led the successful nationwide search for a new Executive Director. Faucher will remain an active part of IECA as a member of the Chapter Advisory Committee and as ex-officio board member for the next 2 years as immediate past president. As Board of Directors member, Lee Johnson served on the Finance Committee and helped improve fiscal accountability and stewardship for the Association.

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About IECA

The International Erosion Control Association (IECA) is the world's oldest and largest association devoted entirely to helping members solve the problems caused by erosion and its byproduct – sediment. Founded in 1972, IECA is a non-profit organization that serves as the premier global resource for the prevention and control of erosion. For more information about state-of-the-art educational events and materials, please visit our Web site at <http://www.ieca.org>.

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