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Former Chief of L.A. Sheriff's Department Hired as General Manager of
Vector Control District

Santa Fe Springs--The Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District welcomes a new general manager today. Kenneth L. Bayless was hired by the District's governing Board of Trustees to manage the operations of one of the largest vector control districts in California.

"I am excited about this opportunity to serve the residents of Los Angeles County and the 34 cities this district represents," says Bayless. "My goal is to make this district the very best that it can be." Bayless plans to accomplish this by enhancing services to the public and increasing the District's visibility in the prevention of West Nile virus and other vector-borne diseases.

"The mission of the District in promoting public health and safety is akin to the kind of experience I have had my entire career," says Bayless. The former Sheriff's Chief worked for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department for 33 years and retired as Chief in 2003. During his career, he managed numerous units and divisions including the Sheriff's Contract Law Enforcement operations, which provided contract law enforcement to 40 cities in Los Angeles County. Bayless also spent the last three years as the President and CEO of American Homeland Solutions, a homeland security and public safety consulting and training company which provides services to more than 450 local government clients.

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As general manager of the Greater L.A. County Vector Control District, Bayless will head an operation governed by a 35-member Board of Trustees. "I've served multiple cities in the Los Angeles area," he said. "I've worked with local governments and elected officials all of my career. I look forward to working with this large and diverse Board."

Kenneth L. Bayless replaces interim manager Donald F. McIntyre, a former City Manager for the City of Pasadena.

The Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District is a California government and public health service agency dedicated to reducing populations of vectors (mosquitoes, black flies, and midges) and preventing human infection associated with mosquito-transmitted diseases. The District was established in 1952 and serves more than six million residents in a 1,300 square mile area of Los Angeles County.

For more information, please call the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District at (562) 944-9656. If you would like additional information about the District and services, please call or visit www.glacvcd.org.