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Steve Johnson is the new District Manager of **Arnold Irrigation District (AID)** as of September 20, 2021. He has an extensive management background and has called Central Oregon home since 1995. Most recently Steve served in management capacities at two local technology software companies, G5 and NAVIS before joining AID.

Steve served as the District Manager of the **Central Oregon Irrigation District (COID)** for over 10 years and was responsible for establishing a multi-million dollar strategic modernization plan that resulted in several water conservation piping projects throughout the District, multiple system-wide water delivery improvements and also the construction of a 5 MW hydroelectric facility.

As District Manager, Steve was active in local, state and federal affairs, establishing urbanization policies, charter member in the Deschutes Water Alliance Water Bank and involved with regional water management activities. In addition, Steve served as the President and Chair of the **Deschutes Basin Board of Control (DBBC)** and led the effort to establish the Deschutes Basin Habitat Conservation Plan resulting in the successful issuance of Incidental Take Permits under the Endangered Species Act to the DBBC member districts of Arnold, COID, Swalley, Tumalo, Lone Pine, Three Sisters, North Unit ID and the City of Prineville.

Steve has served on the Boards and Executive Committees for the **Deschutes River Conservancy** and **Upper Deschutes Watershed Council**, as a Board Member representing Oregon for the **National Water Resource Association** and **Northwest Hydro Association**. He is also a founding member in the **Deschutes Water Alliance**.

Steve has been a Senior Management Consultant with **Deloitte & Touche** working with Fortune 500 clients, and worked as a Senior Well-Site Geologist in Saudi Arabia. Steve has a Bachelors of Science in Geology from **Washington & Lee University**, and a MBA in Finance from **Tulane University**.
