

## District 2: Hillary Jenkins

### Director



Director Jenkins has served on the District's Board since July 2024.

Director Jenkins is a Professor and the Hedco Endowed Chair of Environmental Science at the University of Redlands. Her areas of expertise include hydrology, geology, paleoclimatology, dendroclimatology, global change research, isotope geochemistry, and remote sensing. Her current research investigates (1) groundwater flux and aquifer storage in threatened meadow ecosystems of the Upper Santa Ana Watershed, (2) reconstructions of extreme climate using tree rings, (3) the impact of air pollution on forest ecosystem growth and (4) modeling forest above-ground biomass and carbon storage using field observations and remote sensing data. Director Jenkins teaches Hydrology, Geology, Oceanography, Climate Science, Disasters, and the Senior Environmental Research Seminar at the University of Redlands and brings her students into the field to study the ecosystems of the San Bernardino Mountains whenever she can. She maintains an extensive piezometer network in hundreds of acres of wetlands in the San Bernardino Mountains in collaboration with the National Forest Service, Fish & Wildlife Service and numerous conservancy agencies. Director Jenkins is a Board Member of the Santa Ana Watershed Symposium Committee and the Headwaters Resiliency Council, and is a reviewer for the Safe Clean Water Program of Los Angeles. Prior to moving to California, Director Jenkins was a Preceptor in the Department of Earth & Planetary Sciences at Harvard University. She holds a Ph.D. from Duke University in Earth and Ocean Sciences and a B.A. in Geology from Wellesley College.

Director Jenkins moved to the Inland Empire in 2014 and lives in District 2 with her husband and daughter.