Hilary Stevenson appointed general counsel for the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District

Los Altos, CA— The Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District’s board of directors appointed Hilary Stevenson as the organization’s new general counsel at their regular public meeting last night. The decision follows a competitive recruitment process.

Stevenson will serve as the top legal advisor for the public agency created by voters in 1972. She joined the District as assistant general counsel in 2013 and has served as acting general counsel since January 2018.

“Hilary Stevenson’s commitment to environmental protection and years of experience in the public sector make her an excellent choice for general counsel, and a strong advocate for the District’s mission of open space preservation and restoration alongside public access,” said District Board President Jed Cyr.

As general counsel, Stevenson will advise District board and staff and manage risk and legal functions. She will work closely with senior management to advance the District’s mission and goals, and coordinate projects with outside agencies and the public. Stevenson will place particular emphasis on fostering cooperative working relationships with government and regulatory agencies, and various public and private community partners.

Stevenson holds a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Science degree in biological sciences from Stanford University, and a law degree from Santa Clara University with a certificate in public interest law. She lives within the District's boundaries and has a lifelong love for the District's open space preserves, which she enjoys with her extended family.

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The Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District is a public agency created by voters in 1972. Its mission is to acquire and preserve a regional greenbelt of open space land of regional significance in perpetuity, protect and restore the natural environment and provide opportunities for ecologically sensitive public enjoyment and education. Midpen has successfully protected more than 63,000 acres of open space throughout Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties.

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