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## **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS**

The State Board of Equalization (BOE) today announced the following appointments at a Sacramento meeting: Stephen Rudd has been appointed Chief, Field Operations Division Equalization District 3 & 4 and Centralized Collection Section; and Diane Olson has been appointed Chief, Board Proceedings Division for BOE.

Rudd, of Fair Oaks, has been appointed Chief, Field Operations Division Equalization Districts 3 & 4 and Centralized Collection Section, effective immediately. Prior to his appointment Rudd served as Interim Chief, Field Operations Division, Equalization Districts 3 & 4 and Centralized Collection Section since 2007. Rudd has worked for BOE for 31 years. He previously served as Chief, Collections and Third District Operations Division (2003-2007); Chief, Environmental Fees Division (1993-2003); Taxpayers' Rights Advocate (1989-2003); District Principle Compliance Supervisor, Santa Ana District (1988-1989); and Business Taxes Compliance Supervisor II (1981-1988).

Olson, of Sacramento, has been appointed Chief, Board Proceedings Division effective immediately. She has worked for the Board Proceedings Division for nine years. Prior to her appointment, she served as acting Manager, Tax and Fee Calendar and Administrative Section; managed the Tax and Fee Program Appeals Section; and has served as the Regulations/Projects Coordinator for the BOE since 2000. Olson previously worked for the California Teacher Credentialing (1997-1998), Franchise Tax Board (1997), and the state Department of Social Services (1995-1997).

The five-member Board of Equalization is a publicly elected tax board. The Board collects nearly \$53 billion annually in taxes and fees supporting state and local government services. It hears business tax appeals, acts as the appellate body for franchise and personal income tax appeals, and plays a significant role in the assessment and administration of property taxes.

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