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El Toro Water District Hosts an Open House to Share Information about the Recycled Water Expansion Project

Lake Forest, **CA** – Join El Toro Water District for an Open House and learn more about the District's comprehensive, multi-phase Recycled Water Expansion Project slated to begin in February/March 2013.

Monday, February 11, 2013 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Clubhouse 5 • 24262 Punta Alta, Laguna Woods

The Open House will feature a variety of stations to assist residents in learning about the various aspects of the project. In addition a formal project overview will be presented at 3:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The Recycled Water Expansion Project will expand the production and delivery of recycled water for local irrigation. By producing more recycled water, the District will save precious imported drinking water (potable) for household consumption and sanitary uses.

There are two components of the project:

- The District will expand its existing Water Recycling Plant to allow for the treatment and delivery of recycled water - approximately 1,400 acre feet per year. That's the equivalent of covering the entire footprint of Laguna Woods Village with six inches of water or filling Angel Stadium twenty-two and a half times.
- Simultaneously, the District will construct approximately 100,000 feet or 19 miles of recycled water
 pipeline beneath the roadways in Laguna Woods and the northwest portion of Laguna Hills. This
 new distribution system will be completely separate from the drinking water distribution system and
 will only be used for irrigation.

Please RSVP to Sherri Seitz at <u>sseitz@etwd.com</u> or 949.837.7050, extension 239. Light refreshments will be provided.

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The mission of the El Toro Water District is to provide its customers a safe, adequate and reliable supply of water and wastewater service in an environmentally and economically responsible way.