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SUBJECT: Community Water Conservation Festival makes a splash

Hemet, CA – May 5, 2007 – The Community Water Conservation Festival made a splash at this year's fifth annual event held at Diamond Valley Lake's *The Center for Water Education* in Hemet. The day was filled with live demonstrations, give-aways and children's activities.

This free community event allowed attendees to learn how to conserve and preserve water in their homes. Demonstrations were performed on maintaining a California friendly landscape, installing a weather-based irrigation controller, and basics for upgrading a water-efficient sprinkler system. In addition to the demonstrations, guests were able to apply for rebates for high-efficiency clothes washers, low-flow toilets and smart controllers. All visitors received free conservation devices, as well as the opportunity to win raffle prizes. One lucky visitor even went home with a high-efficiency clothes washer donated by

KBHomes.

As a family-friendly event, the festival included several activities for children. “This year the water festival committee elected to restore some of the children’s activities and to promote the event as a family outing,” says Mary Brown, water festival committee chair and public affairs representative for Elsinore Valley municipal Water District. “Living in California, it is imperative that children learn how to protect and respect our limited natural resources from an early age.” Children who visited the festival viewed a puppet show, received face painting and were able to create arts and crafts focused on water resources.

The Community Water Conservation Festival is sponsored by local agencies who want to keep the community enthusiastic about protecting our natural resources. For more information on water conservation please contact your local water agency.

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The Community Water Conservation Festival is hosted by Partners in Water Education: Metropolitan Water District; Bureau of Reclamation; Eastern Municipal Water District; Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District; Rancho California Water District; Western Municipal Water District; Riverside County Flood Control and Conservation District; State of California Department of Water Resources; Synagro Composting Co., Inc.; Riverside County Storm Water Protection Program; The Center for Water Education; and KB Homes

The Community Water Conservation Festival's purpose is to teach adults and children about water conservation and the environment through interactive and dynamic activities.
www.wmwd.com/waterfest.htm.

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