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SUBJECT: *Rancho California Water District will install nine new water bottle fill stations at local schools*

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To promote tap water while reducing waste, Rancho California Water District (RCWD/District) is installing water bottle fill stations at nine local schools.

Last year, RCWD installed 12 fill stations throughout the community at schools, parks, the Temecula Community Center and the Promenade Mall. The water bottle fill stations are similar to drinking fountains but include an overhead filling system allowing people to easily fill reusable water bottles. The fill stations count the number of times a water bottle is filled, which gives people an idea of how many plastic bottles are not going into the landfill. In addition, the District was able to see that the fill stations installed at school locations were being used the most.

“The idea is to get people to drink more tap water and produce less plastic trash,” said Jeff Armstrong, RCWD’s General Manager. “We have high quality water and drinking tap water costs a fraction of purchased bottled water.”

Water Bottle fill stations will be installed at Great Oak High School, Temecula Valley High School, Chaparral High School, James L Day Middle School, Erie Stanley

Gardner Middle School, Margarita Middle School, Temecula Middle School, Vail Ranch Middle School and at the Santa Rosa Plateau. To see a preview of what the fill stations will look like watch our video at:

<https://www.facebook.com/ranchowater/videos/10156427134969761/>

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Formed in 1965, Rancho California Water District supplies an area consisting of approximately 150 square miles. The District serves the area known as Temecula/Rancho California, which includes the City of Temecula, parts of Murrieta, and other contiguous lands. The District is separated into two divisions: the Santa Rosa Division generally west of I-15 and Rancho Division generally east of I-15. The District currently provides sewer service to the Cal Oaks and Bear Creek areas.

“The mission of the Rancho California Water District is to deliver reliable, high-quality water, wastewater and reclamation services to its customers and communities in a prudent and sustainable manner.”