

## Newspaper Clippings from August 23, 2007 – August 31, 2007

### **Water district to add fluoride**

August 23, 2007 – The Valley Chronicle

By CHARLES HAND

Eastern Municipal Water District will begin fluoridating water it sells to its San Jacinto Valley customers and to agencies that resell it to their customers in October....

### **Cost questions put damper on Salton Sea plan**

August 23, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By Jim Miller

A key Assembly committee has raised concerns about the cost and viability of a sweeping plan to restore the Salton Sea....

### **Governor signs budget, cuts Inland-bound funds**

August 24, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By Jim Miller

...The budget maintains \$25 million for restoring the Salton Sea, new judges for Inland courtrooms, and improving the Cal State San Bernardino satellite campus in Palm Desert, among other expenditures....

### **Quaggas found in Skinner, Mathews**

August 24, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By Jenn Bowles

A tiny but destructive mollusk has been found in two Inland reservoirs for the first time, confirming fears that the quagga mussel, found last January along the Colorado River, could rapidly reproduce and spread....

### **Hearing on Delta smelt delayed**

August 24, 2007 – recordnet.com

A federal hearing over how to distribute water to two-thirds of California next year without imperiling the Delta smelt will not continue until next week, an environmental group said Wednesday....

### **Water officials hope to limit spread after invasive shellfish found**

August 24, 2007 – signonsandiego.com

By Terry Rodgers & J. Harry Jones

Regional water officials are testing water, handing out fliers and, at one reservoir, banning private boats to control the spread of a tiny mussel that can foul pumps and pipelines and alter freshwater ecosystems....

### **Invasion of quagga mussels has begun**

August 24, 2007 – signonsandiego.com

By Ed Zieralski

...Other managers like Hugh Marx at Lake Jennings expected it sooner, warning the Helix Water District a few months ago that the quagga mussel invasion could hit San Diego County soon....

### **Controversial mineral to be added to city's water supply**

August 24, 2007 – Santa Monica Daily Press

By Kevin Herrera

CITYWIDE The regional agency that supplies roughly 90 percent of Santa Monica's drinking water will move forward with plans to mix in fluoride this fall, despite lingering debates over the additive's health benefits....

### **How clean is your city's drinking water?**

**Denver's is the most drinkable, while Phoenix's is safe but could be better**

August 24, 2007 – MSNBC.com

By Before you folks in Phoenix start screaming, let us say that your water is safe to drink. You don't need to tap a cactus, because what's flowing from the faucet is A-okay. So how come the F?...

### **Coachella Valley unleashes fog against mosquitos**

August 24, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By Steve Moore

An aerial spraying and ground fogging campaign has ended in the lower Coachella Valley aimed at wiping out mosquitoes and preventing West Nile Virus....

### **Salton snub?**

August 26, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

Time is quickly running out for the Salton Sea. Despite a clear consensus by scientists, environmentalists and state and local officials on the best way to save the sea, the state Assembly is balking at the multibillion-dollar price tag. But legislators need to pass the bill that would lay groundwork for the vital, 75-year restoration project....

### **Revisiting 'toilet to tap'**

**This time around, Los Angeles can't afford to let recycled water slip through its fingers**

August 26, 2007 – LA Times

By Marc B. Haefele and Anna Sklar

Los Angeles' water supplies are getting lower. The once-desolate Owens River Valley burst into flower this year because the Department of Water and Power brought less water to the city. Other states are increasing the amount of water they are able to tap from the Colorado River, L.A.'s primary source of water....

### **West Nile quiet so far this year**

**But wave of foreclosures has spawned bumper crop of mosquitoes**

August 26, 2007 – The Californian

BY Dave Downey

Despite a surge of West Nile infections across California this summer, state officials report that so far not a single Riverside County resident has gotten sick as a result of the mosquito-borne virus that just a couple of years ago spread fear far and wide....

### **Discovery of destructive mollusks in inland lakes raises concern**

August 27, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By Jennifer Bowles

A tiny but destructive mollusk found in two inland lakes raises fears of a potential costly environmental catastrophe for the drinking supply for 18 million Southern Californians....

### **School irrigating an idea**

#### **S. El Monte High to recycle water**

August 28, 2007 – Whittier Daily News

By Claudia Palma

Residents will save about 40 million gallons of drinking water each year - about 250 households worth - with the help of the South El Monte High School Project....

### **Temecula City Council to review potential annexations**

August 28, 2007 – The Californian

By Nicole Sack

...When it comes to annexation, money will play a large role in whether an area will become part of the city and be able to enjoy the benefits of local governance, rather than being in the wide swath of county jurisdiction....

### **Temecula to wait and see if annexation will pay off**

August 28, 2007 – The Californian

By Nicole Sack

...The City Council heard the results Tuesday night of a \$42,000 study that aims to help city leaders determine the financial pros and cons of absorbing neighboring communities such as French Valley, Silverhawk, Johnson Ranch and Morgan Hill....

### **WorldWater Develops Project with San Diego County's Valley Center Municipal Water District for Solar Powered Pumping System Up to 1.2 Megawatts**

August 29, 2007 – Business Wire

WorldWater & Solar Technologies Corp. (OTC BB: WWAT.OB) (formerly WorldWater & Power Corp.), developer and marketer of proprietary high-power solar systems, announced today it will build a photovoltaic system up to 1.2 Megawatts to provide electricity and water pumping power for the Valley Center Municipal Water District (VCMWD) of Valley Center, California....

### **Coachella water district tightens rules on developers, golf courses**

August 29, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By Jennifer Bowles

The Coachella Valley's largest water agency is tightening the grip on the biggest urban water hogs: golf courses and outdoor landscaping....

### **Goodbye to plastic bottles**

#### **Galt council OKs resolution to drink only city tap water during meetings**

August 29, 2007 – Iodine.com

...Meredith pointed out that Americans spend \$11 million on bottled water each year. He also said government leaders could be seen as hypocritical in making decisions about municipal tap water while drinking Aquafina....

### **Perata Calls for Improved Enforcement of Clean Water Laws**

August 30, 2007 – California Chronicle

Senate President pro Tem Don Perata (D-Oakland) called on the Governor today to re-examine his administration's management of clean water laws and work with the Legislature to improve regulators' accountability, funding and protection of public health....

### **Controversial canal's impact on Delta remains largely unknown**

August 30, 2007 – recordnet.com

By Alex Breitler

It is well-known that the words "peripheral canal" are linked with one of the California water world's most passionate and enduring debates....

### **Palmdale water board orders conservation measures**

August 30, 2007 – The LA Times

By Ann M. Simmons

The Palmdale water board voted unanimously Wednesday to clamp down on customers who ignore the city's voluntary water conservation policy, but rejected a resolution that would have imposed mandatory rationing -- at least for now....

### **State working on perchlorate limit**

August 31, 2007 – Dailybulletin.com

By Jason Pesick

The state is in the final stages of setting a standard dictating how much perchlorate can be in your drinking water....

### **Salton Sea restoration plan stalls in Assembly**

August 31, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

The legislative first step of a Salton Sea restoration plan is likely dead for the year after it failed to emerge from an Assembly committee Thursday....