

Newspaper Clippings from July 21, 2007 – July 25, 2007

Corona seeks sewer, water rate increases, lays off 15

July 21, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By Melanie C. Johnson

CORONA - The Department of Water and Power has laid off 15 workers to cut costs and plans to raise water and sewer rates for residential and commercial customers as early as October to fund projects....

Fake grass touted as water saver

July 23, 2007 – The Californian

By Dave Downey

In the latest twist in an expanding campaign to conserve water, area suppliers have decided to encourage homeowners around San Diego and Riverside counties to trade in their thirsty, lush lawns for fake grass....

Developers eye next Inland housing hot spot

July 23, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By Josh Brown

As population growth continues to spill over from the coastal counties, many developers remain focused on southwest Riverside County along the Interstate 215 corridor, portions of the High Desert and the Coachella Valley....

Schwarzenegger spotlights water issues

July 23, 2007 – LA Daily News

By Kelly Puente

Focusing a spotlight on a looming water crisis, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger paid a visit Monday to the Long Beach Groundwater Treatment Plant, where he promoted his proposal for sweeping groundwater storage improvements....

Schwarzenegger campaigns for more water

July 23, 2007 – signonsandiego.com

By Michael Gardner

SACRAMENTO – Long conflicted over water, Californians soon may be asked to set aside past prejudices and move forward on building reservoirs and a new system to carry water south....

BONO APPLAUDS PASSAGE OF FUNDING BILL TO HELP MEET LOCAL WATER DEMANDS

July 23, 2007 – California Chronicle

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Congresswoman Mary Bono (R-CA-45) announced that the U.S. House of Representatives approved the first installment of funding-\$250,000 for a feasibility study-for Rancho California Water District's (RCWD) Integrated Resources Plan project as part of the Energy and Water Appropriations bill, H.R. 2641....

HOUSE APPROVES MILLER'S WATER RECYCLING BILL

July 23, 2007 – California Chronicle

WASHINGTON, DC – Water recycling projects in Pittsburg, CA and six other Bay Area communities got a boost today when the House passed a bill by Congressman George Miller (D-CA) to provide federal assistance to municipal efforts to increase the use of recycled water and decrease the amount of water taken from the San Francisco Bay Delta and other fresh water sources....

Drinking water fluoridation to begin this October

July 24, 2007

EMWD purchases about 75 percent of its water from the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD)....

Drought Defense

Population growth, a failing delta, climate change threaten a system the state's neglected for 25 years

July 24, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By David J. Slawson

State officials issued new projections last week showing that California's population will hit 60 million by 2050. Riverside County, which has long been one of the fastest growing areas in the nation, will eclipse its neighbors to become the second most populous county in the state, after Los Angeles....

Governor looking to build reservoirs

July 24, 2007 – The Californian

By Dave Downey

Against the backdrop of a half-filled Sweetwater Reservoir Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger made a pitch Tuesday for a \$5.9 billion blueprint to expand the water supply of a state expected to have 60 million residents by 2050....

Pipe ruling called important for eminent domain

July 24, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By John F. Berry

San Bernardino-based Campus Crusade for Christ Inc. will get another shot at an estimated \$12.5 million in compensation for land taken via eminent domain after the state Supreme Court said Monday that the case should be heard by a jury....

Drought Defense

Prod legislators to approve new dams -- or brace for water shortages

July 24, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By Dave Cogdill

For years, the Legislature has consistently chosen to ignore the state's pressing water-supply issues, despite every indication that a water shortage looms as the next major economic crisis....

Refill 'er up!

Ditch the eco-unfriendly bottled water, and tap into a cool reusable container.

July 25, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By Alyson Ward of Fort Worth Star-Telegram

In case you've missed all the chatter, single-use water bottles are falling from fashionable to frowned-upon....