

News Paper Clippings from June 12, 2007 – June 15, 2007

WORST-CASE DRY CONDITIONS, DELTA SUPPLY UNCERTAINTIES INITIATE LARGEST PUBLIC OUTREACH EFFORT IN METROPOLITAN HISTORY

Metropolitan board approves up to \$6.3 million for expanded outreach, communications, advertising campaign to promote conservation, educate public

June 12, 2007 – MWD Press Release

Addressing 2007's worst-case dry conditions, further clouded by uncertainties raised by recent pumping restrictions on water supplies from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, Metropolitan Water District's Board of Directors today approved an expanded regional public education, communications and advertising campaign.

SoCal's main water supplier expands conservation campaign

June 13, 2007 – Mercury News

..."There's a real urgency. We can't wait anymore, we really need to be proactive," said Randy Record, a San Jacinto farmer and district board member representing Perris-based Eastern Municipal Water District....

TO REDUCE ITS CARBON FOOTPRINT, METROPOLITAN ADVANCES SOLAR POWER GENERATION TO HELP TREAT WATER

Installation will reduce carbon emissions by 2.5 million pounds annually, while cutting district's greenhouse gas emissions, power costs

June 13, 2007 – MWD Press Release

Metropolitan Water District is looking toward the sun to help generate the power needed to treat water—one of several options the agency is exploring to reduce its carbon footprint.

Co-workers rescue man who fell in trench in Temecula

June 13, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By Sean Nealon

TEMECULA - A Metropolitan Water District of Southern California employee was hospitalized after falling between a dirt wall and a 1,500-pound concrete block before co-workers rescued him Tuesday morning

'A real urgency' for water conservation - GET WORD OUT: Regional officials want to inform people that a drought has thinned supplies.

June 13, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By Jennifer Bowles

Regional water officials on Tuesday approved spending an unprecedented \$6.3 million over the next year to expand a campaign aimed at convincing Southern Californians to conserve at their taps and outside hoses.

Water smarts

June 13, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

Editorial

Storing water to bolster supplies in case of drought makes good sense for dry, rapidly growing Southern California. A local water district wants to pursue that smart strategy -- and Congress should come through with federal help.

Riverside to offer incentives to home builders who go green

June 13, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By Leslie Berkman

Riverside on Tuesday became the first city in California to offer incentives to home builders who beat the state's current standards for energy and water conservation and reduce construction waste.

Lake solar plan gets a \$625,000 boost

June 14, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

By Jennifer Bowles

The Metropolitan Water District board this week approved \$625,000 to design a 6-acre solar field at an Inland lake that also stores drinking water.

Save water? Quit growing lawns

June 15, 2007 – The Valley Chronicle / opinion section

Every time there is a dry winter, we hear the same mindless dribble: Don't hose, don't water, don't flush. ...

Conserve water and still keep car clean

June 15, 2007 – The Valley Chronicle / opinion section

Because of the dry season we have had, we are being asked to conserve water.

Governor backs canal to pipe water around fragile delta

June 15, 2007 – SFGate.com

By SAMANTHA YOUNG, Associated Press Writer

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger waded into politically risky waters Thursday when he said he supported building a canal to pipe water around the environmentally fragile delta because the state is running low on supplies.

Kern County man tests positive for West Nile virus

June 15, 2007 – The Press Enterprise

A Kern County man is the first Californian to test positive for West Nile virus this year, county health officials said.