

Newspaper Clippings from June 11 - 18, 2008

Romoland plant on cutting edge of turning trash into electricity

June 11, 2008 – The Press Enterprise

By Jennifer Bowles

On a corner in Romoland not far from the bustle of Interstate 215, a rag-tag crew has assembled from the ground up a plant that observers say will be the nation's first working example of an oxygen-deprived technology that turns trash into electricity....

Fluoridation on its way to S.D. water supply

June 11, 2008 – signonsandiego.com

SAN DIEGO: San Diego is on the way to losing its distinction as the nation's largest city without fluoridated water. On a unanimous vote yesterday, the council authorized Mayor Jerry Sanders to begin negotiations with the First 5 Commission of San Diego for \$3.9 million to put fluoride in drinking water at the city's three water treatment plants....

Water district warns: Cut back now

Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is working on line that supplies water to most of Orange County

June 17, 2008 – ocregister.com

By Eugene W. Fields

Repairs to an important regional pipeline serving 12 million people in Orange and Los Angeles counties has caused the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California to ask consumers cut back on the amount of water they use for the next two weeks....

Watering the West: Growth Stops When the Water Runs Out

June 17, 2008 – www.alternet.org

By Sarah Bates

A recent issue of *National Geographic* featured a compelling story on the double-barreled threat facing western states: rapid population growth and climate change. "The American West was won by water management," proclaims the article. "What happens when there's no water left to manage?"...

Urgent Water Conservation Requested in Los Angeles, Orange Counties Through July 2 for Major Regional Pipeline Repairs

June 18, 2008 – The Business Wire

LOS ANGELES--(BUSINESS WIRE)--An urgent request for heightened water conservation in Los Angeles and Orange counties over the next two weeks is being made by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California as it begins critical repairs to a major regional water pipeline that serves as many as 12 million people....

Outreach on Wheels

June 18, 2008 – The Press Enterprise

...Murray, a senior source control inspector for **Eastern Municipal Water District**, noticed that the cars ahead of him did not appear to be stopping to assist the man. He put on his truck's flashing overhead lights and parked in the traffic lane so he could offer help....

Drip, drip, drip

We're running out of water, but Angelenos aren't quaking in their Crocs

June 18, 2008 – The Los Angeles Times

By Neal Pollack

...We're running out of water. The governor has declared a statewide drought. The Metropolitan Water District says it's already drained half of its emergency reserves. Not wanting to inconvenience anyone, politically or otherwise, the district has so far made conservation measures optional. We might get rationing next spring....

California's Water Future: Crops wither--along with the water supply

June 18, 2008 – California Farm Bureau Federation

By Kate Campbell

After decades of political bickering and inaction, California is on the brink of a water supply catastrophe. Today officials are calling the shortfall in the state's water supply a crisis or an emergency....

Officials Call For Conservation After Drought Declared In California

June 18, 2008 – The Beverly Hills Courier

By Chris Sieroty

Beverly Hills officials are calling on residents to reduce water usage in their everyday lives after Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger recently declared a statewide drought because of severe water shortages. Sixty-five percent of the water used in Beverly Hills is for irrigation, including landscaping, according to a City spokeswoman....