

Newspaper Clippings from March 1, 2008 – March 5, 2008

Tasty L.A. tap water

Tests show that L.A. drinks the good stuff, so why do so many of us gulp from a bottle?

March 1, 2008 – The LA Times

The Metropolitan Water District, not L.A., won the 18th annual Berkeley Springs International Water Testing. The water sipped by the festival's "watermaster" came from an MWD processing plant before it was sent to the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, where it would have been mixed with water from other sources and further processed before being piped to homes. And oh, the extra bouquet some of those pipes add!...

Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District employee housing under scrutiny

March 2, 2008 – The Press Enterprise

By Erin Waldner

The Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District has been sharply criticized by ratepayers in recent months for providing free housing for its top four employees....

Out of water?

Stalling new construction lets officials weigh supply options

March 3, 2008 – The Press Enterprise

By David J. Slawson

For most Southern Californians, water issues have rarely been a concern. Until now. Now, people are interested in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, upon which most Californians depend for some or all of their water. Now, people are making the connection that environmental and political decisions do matter when it comes to availability of water....

Avoid shortages, lost jobs; back ballot measure

March 3, 2008 – The Press Enterprise

By Marion Ashley

Riverside County's Economic Development Agency, working at the direction of the Board of Supervisors, has the responsibility of bringing jobs to our county, enhancing the quality of the jobs in our work force and promoting economic investment....

Western states studying construction of more huge dams

March 3, 2008 – KEPRTV.com

By Associated Press

The Western states' era of massive dam construction - which tamed rivers, swallowed towns, and created irrigated agriculture, cheap hydropower and environmental problems - effectively ended in 1966 with the completion of Glen Canyon Dam....

Eastern Municipal Water District Earns Award

March 4, 2008 - Reed ACP Construction Data

Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) has received a California Awards for Performance Excellence (CAPE) Silver Level award from the California Council for Performance Excellence (CCE). EMWD joins 11 other companies that earned recognition at Gold, Silver, Bronze, and Prospector levels this year....

Plan to 'flush' Grand Canyon stirs concerns

Water releases meant to renew the river's bottom are ill-timed and serve hydropower firms, park officials say

March 4, 2008 – The LA Times

By Janet Wilson

The Grand Canyon is about to take a bath, and National Park Service officials who oversee the natural wonder are worried. Federal flood control managers, led by Interior Secretary Dirk Kempthorne, this week plan to unleash millions of cubic feet of water from behind Glen Canyon Dam to "flush" the huge canyon bottom with a simulated springtime flood....

FuelCell Energy Reports First Quarter 2008 Results and Latest Accomplishments

March 5, 2008 – primenewswire.com

...Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) in southern California ordered three DFC300 power plants to provide power for its wastewater operations. By using DFC fuel cells, EMWD expects to reduce its energy costs, and carbon footprint by 10,400 tons annually....

Water grumbling

March 5, 2008 – The Press Enterprise

Jump-starting work on creating a reliable state water system is worth the cost of a little legislative uproar. Gov. Schwarzenegger's decision to move ahead on water plans last week caught legislators off guard, but the governor's sense of urgency is justified....

Modernize Management

March 5, 2008 – The Press Enterprise

The Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District's auditing failures and questionable employee policies signal slipshod administration and lax oversight. It is time for the Board of Directors to bring management of the 89-year-old district up to 21st century professional standards....

Clues sought about boat found unattended in lake near Hemet

March 5, 2008 – The Press Enterprise

By Adam Hartmann

...Tim Skrove, a Metropolitan Water District spokesman, referred all questions about the investigation to the Sheriff's Department. Diamond Valley Lake is a MWD facility....

Hemet City Manager leaving under unclear circumstances

March 5, 2008 – The Press Enterprise

By Herbert Atienza

Hemet City Manager John Davidson, on the job for just over a year, is out effective Tuesday, with no one saying if the departure is voluntary....