



## **News from EMWD**

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### **For Immediate Release**

### **Suspicious envelope deemed harmless**

**Perris, CA (October 20, 2005)**— Following up on a news release issued earlier today, Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD) officially announced at 12:40 pm that the suspicious envelope reported earlier has been determined to be normal correspondence and not a threat. EMWD personnel have been asked to report to work and return to business as usual.

Previously, at 10:45 am at EMWD's headquarters building located at 2270 Trumble Road, Perris, an employee in the Records Management Department reported a suspicious envelope. The Riverside County Sheriff's department recommended treating the incident as a potential threat.

In response, some EMWD employees were evacuated from the Trumble Road site as authorities gathered more information.

Coincidentally, this situation occurred while EMWD was conducting an emergency preparedness exercise and authorities were onsite.

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*EMWD serves a 555-square mile area from Moreno Valley to Temecula, and from Hemet and San Jacinto to Good Hope and Mead Valley. Approximately 570,000 people live and work in this area. In addition to its own water customers, EMWD supplements water to eight local water agencies and municipalities that have their own water departments. EMWD operates four water reclamation facilities and treats some 43 million gallons of wastewater daily. More information can be found at EMWD's web site [www.emwd.org](http://www.emwd.org).*