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Vallecitos asks customers to conserve for wholesalers' aqueduct shutdown

San Marcos, CA – From Dec. 7, 2009, through Dec. 16, 2009, the majority of aqueducts responsible for transporting water to our region will be temporarily shutdown by Vallecitos Water District wholesalers for repairs. Although the District will use alternate connections and storage to ensure service reliability, increased customer conservation efforts will be helpful in case the repairs take longer than expected.

To prepare for such annual or emergency events, Vallecitos has made it a priority to increase service reliability with the construction of additional storage and connections to a nearby reservoir and a new, local treatment facility. However, sometimes problems can occur when the aqueduct system returns on line, therefore any extra conservation efforts would be greatly appreciated.

These shutdowns, conducted annually by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and the San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA), are necessary for inspection purposes. The main purpose for this shutdown is to make an emergency repair that was recently located on a SDCWA pipe.

Vallecitos' customer response to the mandatory conservation that has been in effect since July 2009 has been exceptional thus far. But any extra practices to increase savings for the length of the 10-day shutdown will go a long way toward maintaining the delivery system for the future and keeping an abundant supply on hand in the event of emergency.

For more advice on how to increase savings, go to www.vwd.org or contact the Vallecitos Conservation office at (760) 744-0460.

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The Vallecitos Water District is an independent, special district dedicated to providing water, wastewater and reclamation services to approximately 85,600 people in a 45-square-mile area that includes San Marcos; the community of Lake San Marcos; portions of Carlsbad, Escondido and Vista; and other surrounding unincorporated areas. The public is invited to Board meetings, taking place at 4 p.m. the first and third Wednesday of each month at Vallecitos' Administration, Maintenance, and Operations Facility - 201 Vallecitos de Oro, San Marcos