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DWR Awards Grant for Integrated Regional Water Management

SACRAMENTO -- Department of Water Resources Director Lester A. Snow will sign a \$25 million check on Wednesday, July 23 transferring Proposition 50 grant monies to the Greater Los Angeles County Integrated Regional Water Management Region.

Proposition 50 is also known as the Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002.

The 10:30 a.m. ceremony will be held at the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant, 24501 South Figueroa Street in Carson, California.

Representatives from the Greater Los Angeles area, including County Supervisor Yvonne B. Burke, will be present. They will discuss the need for a continued Integrated Regional Water Management Planning process to protect and improve water quality and supply reliability, and improve stewardship of aquatic, riparian, and watershed resources.

The July 23 ceremony will be at the site of the Marshland Enhancement Project, one of 14 projects funded by the \$25 million grant which addresses wetlands restoration, storm water treatment, flood control, groundwater recharge, recycled water re-use, and conservation.

Agencies involved in the ceremony will include: the Upper Santa Clara River Watershed; Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County; Antelope Valley; Santa Ana Watershed; Upper Santa Ana River Watershed; and North Orange County.

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The Department of Water Resources operates and maintains the State Water Project, provides dam safety and flood control and inspection services, assists local water districts in water management and water conservation planning, and plans for future statewide water needs.