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WEST BASIN TO GIVEAWAY 2,000 FREE RAIN BARRELS TO DISTRICT RESIDENTS

Now accepting reservations for five distribution events

CARSON, Calif. – West Basin Municipal Water District will host a series of five distribution events to give away free rain barrels to qualified District residents. The 55-gallon rain barrels help residents collect rainwater to use for landscaping and prevent runoff to storm drains.

The event series will kick off on Saturday, Nov. 17 at Palos Verdes Peninsula High School in Rolling Hills Estates. Additional events are scheduled at later dates in Culver City, Lomita, Hawthorne, and one other event to be announced in spring 2019. For the full list of event dates, locations, eligibility guidelines, and to RSVP for an upcoming event, please visit www.westbasin.org/rainbarrels or call (310) 371-4633.

Since 2015, West Basin has given away more than 4,300 free rain barrels to local residents, valued at approximately \$50 per unit. By using a rain barrel, homeowners have a practical way to conserve drinking water while also helping to prevent urban runoff from polluting our local waters.

Registration is required to participate in the rain barrel distribution events. Rain barrels will be distributed on a first-come, first-served basis and pre-registration does not guarantee a rain barrel. West Basin residents are eligible to attend any event, and must install rain barrels within 30 days or they may be charged the cost of the rain barrel. Rebates for rain barrels and cisterns are also available through Metropolitan Water District of Southern California at www.socalwatersmart.com.

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West Basin Municipal Water District (West Basin) is a wholesale water agency that provides imported drinking water to nearly one million people in 17 cities and unincorporated areas in Los Angeles County. West Basin is an industry leader in water conservation, recycling and education. The District is implementing a Water Reliability program to reduce the agency's dependence on imported water and develop local, drought-proof water supplies. This includes water conservation, recycling, groundwater desalting and the exploration of ocean water desalination. Visit www.westbasin.org to learn more.