



## WEST BASIN

West Basin is led by a Board of five elected, visionary water leaders.



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### WATER RELIABILITY 2020 UPDATE New Recycled Water Customers

West Basin welcomes new recycled water customers who are reducing our dependence on imported water by converting irrigation and industrial uses to recycled water. The following businesses have brought the number of West Basin connections to 349:

- **Kobata Growers Inc.:** Located west of Van Ness in Torrance, Kobata is using recycled water for their nursery, saving 3.2 million gallons of imported drinking water a year. Kobata Growers is family owned and operated, serving Southern California.
- **El Camino College:** El Camino College uses recycled water to irrigate the athletic fields on campus that serve 8 collegiate teams, saving 16.3 million gallons per year.
- **Manhattan Towers:** Making water and energy efficiency upgrades and connecting their irrigation system to recycled water will help Manhattan Towers save 3.2 million gallons of water each year and achieve LEED certification.
- **City of Hawthorne:** The City of Hawthorne uses recycled water for its street medians on Prairie Avenue between El Segundo Boulevard and 116th Street.



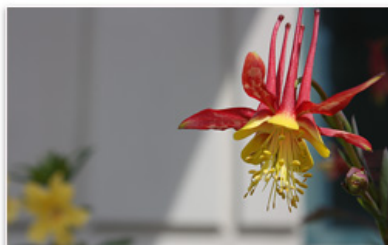
### Support for Water Reliability 2020



More than 2,500 local residents, business leaders and elected officials have signed on to support West Basin's mission to create new, reliable water supplies by doubling conservation and recycling and beginning ocean-water desalination program. The cities of Manhattan Beach, West Hollywood and Gardena, along with the Culver City Chamber of Commerce, have recently signed on in support of Water Reliability 2020. A complete list of WR 2020 [Supporters can be found here](#).

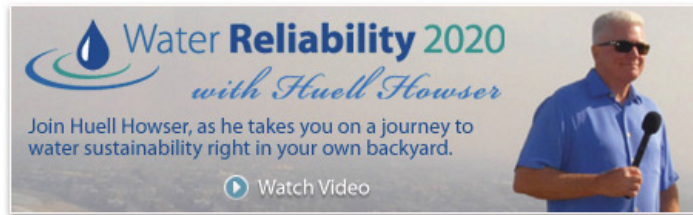
### Make your yard "smart" and water-efficient

The majority of your water use at home is outdoors. Learn how to make your landscaping more water efficient by visiting West Basin's Water-Efficient Demonstration Garden anytime or visit our Smart Landscape Expo on May 22nd from 9am to 12pm. Both the Garden and the Expo are located at the Edward C. Little Water Recycling Facility, 1935 S. Hughes Way, El Segundo. [Click here for more information](#).



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## FREE Water Reliably 2020 DVD Features Local Celebrity Huell Howser



West Basin and Huell Howser have worked together to create a FREE 28-minute Water Reliability 2020 DVD that provides an overview of West Basin's Water Reliability 2020 program and the importance of water conservation, water recycling and ocean-water desalination. To get your FREE copy, email [jessican@westbasin.org](mailto:jessican@westbasin.org).

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## Ocean-Water Desalination Demonstration Facility Coming Soon!



Construction is underway on our ocean-water desalination demonstration facility at the SEA Lab in Redondo Beach. The new, first-of-its-kind facility will test the feasibility of environmentally responsible ocean-water desalination through the use of wedgewire screens and sub surface infiltration technologies. The new screens protect 100 percent of adult and juvenile fish. West Basin is eager to test and study these techniques to determine the safest way to create drinking water supplies from readily available salt water. The facility will also include a Water Education Center and will open this fall. Stay tuned!

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## New Water Star Program Teaches Conservation to Local Kids

Local children can take home the title of Water Star with only a small investment in saving water! 20 gallons per day is the magic number that will get your children, grandchildren and other young friends ages 5-12 into this new program. Children who pledge to save 20 gallons per day will receive a FREE kit full of water conservation items like a water star badge, shower timer, water waster fix-it tickets, activity book and more. If parents or guardians also pledge to save 20 gallons per day, the child can become a Super Star and receive a t-shirt and magnet! Water Star kits will be available soon. Help kids sign up at [www.h2o-stars.com](http://www.h2o-stars.com) after May 24, 2010.



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## WATER EDUCATION PROGRAMS Solar Cup 2010

West Basin's four solar cup teams are heading into the home stretch of this year's competition with technical workshops and ensuring that their boats are race ready.

Their 9 month boat building journey culminates in the boat racing competition at Lake Skinner in Temecula from May 14-16, 2010. For more information, [click here](#).



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## WEST BASIN'S UPCOMING EVENTS - JOIN US!

- April 24, 2010 High Efficiency Toilet Exchange in Carson starting at 8 a.m. Participants must pre-qualify. [Click here for more information](#).

- May 1, 2010 High Efficiency Toilet Exchange in Inglewood - [Click here for more information.](#)
- May 22, 2010 Smart Landscape Expo at the Edward C. Little Water Recycling Facility, 1935 S. Hughes Way in El Segundo from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. [Click here for more information.](#)
- October 16, 2010 West Basin's 12th Annual Water Harvest Festival from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Edward C. Little Water Recycling Facility in El Segundo. [Click here for more information.](#)

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