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## **WEST BASIN WATER HARVEST BLOCK PARTY BRINGS THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER** *Annual celebration focuses on water education and conservation through free family event on Oct. 20*

**CARSON, Calif.** – <u>West Basin Municipal Water District</u> will host its 20<sup>th</sup> annual Water Harvest festival on Saturday, Oct. 20 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. outside of its Edward C. Little Water Recycling Facility (ECLWRF) in El Segundo, Calif. The free, family-oriented event will be a block party this year featuring educational booths, games, giveaways and water-related activities.

The event will take place on South Hughes Way, outside of the ECLWRF, to become a community block party. Typically, the District hosts the event at its water recycling facility but changed the venue to the street due to renovations underway at the facility's visitor and education center. Free parking and shuttle service to the event will be available once again this year at 1960 E. Grand Ave. (at Pacific Coast Highway, formerly Sepulveda Boulevard) in El Segundo.

"Water Harvest is a tremendous opportunity to celebrate our most important resource with members of the communities we serve," said West Basin Board President Donald L. Dear. "We look forward to this annual event to provide attendees with more information about West Basin, our water conservation programs and our plans to provide a safe and reliable supply of high-quality water."

Water Harvest is designed to entertain children, adults and families alike with fun water education activities, food, games, stage shows, kids costume contest, giveaways and more. Each year, thousands of community members bring their families to Water Harvest to learn about water conservation, water use efficiency and environmental stewardship in their everyday lives.

The District will also recognize five local organizations and individuals who have showcased their commitment to local water issues during its "Water Reliability" awards ceremony, which will commence on the main event stage at 11 a.m.

For additional information about Water Harvest, parking directions, and a schedule of events, please visit: <u>www.westbasin.org/waterharvest</u>.

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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 <u>www.westbasin.org</u> to learn more.