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FREE FAMILY FUN, PRIZES, TOURS AND MORE AT WEST BASIN'S ANNUAL WATER HARVEST FESTIVAL – EVERY DROP COUNTS

El Segundo, CA– Explore the Seven Wonders of California's Water World as West Basin Municipal Water District (West Basin) hosts its 11th annual Water Harvest Festival on Saturday, October 24, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. This fun community event will take place at the Edward C. Little Water Recycling Facility, 1935 S. Hughes Way in El Segundo and offer free food, games, prizes, costume contest and much more.

West Basin's Water Harvest Festival provides an opportunity for the whole family to have fun while learning about water. There will be Opportunity Drawing prizes, from Aquarium of the Pacific tickets to a new water- and energy-efficient clothes washer and dryer set! To be eligible for the prizes, guests must travel the Seven Wonders of California's Water World and get their passport stamped as they answer water conservation questions and enter their raffle ticket into the drawing. One entry is allowed per guest.

"Water Harvest is always a popular event and we're excited to share a fun, educational day with the community," said West Basin President Edward C. Little. "In these days of drought, we look forward to sharing easy ways for families and children to learn about their water use and make meaningful decisions at home."

The more than 35 booths will include a professional pumpkin carver, carnival games, face painting, petting zoo, pony rides, wave slide, and, our most popular activity, tours of the West Basin water purification plant where West Basin makes five types of "designer" waters. In a matter of minutes, visitors can see first-hand how wastewater is

purified. Guests can also learn about native plants and water efficient landscaping practices on a visit through West Basin's new Water Efficient Demonstration Garden.

There will be educational and fun stage shows by the Discovery Science Center and touchable marine animals from the SEALab aquarium's Traveling Tidepool in Redondo Beach. Children may also make artistic creations with recyclable materials provided by Trash for Teaching's Treasure Truck.

Free parking will be available at 1960 E. Grand Ave (at Sepulveda Blvd.), El Segundo with free shuttle buses to the facility.

Sponsors of the event include MWH Engineering, United Water, National Water Research Institute, Lee and Ro, SPI, Malcolm Pirnie, Parsons, Inglewood Today, Daily Breeze, California Crusader, Palos Verdes Peninsula News, The Beach Reporter, Dreyer's, and Paisano's Pizza.

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