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Inaugural Earth Night in the Garden set for April 22

Western Municipal Water District invites families to learn about energy and water conservation

RIVERSIDE, CA - March 3, 2008 – As evening falls around the country on Earth Day 2008, families throughout Riverside County are invited to continue the celebration at Western Municipal Water District’s inaugural **Earth Night in the Garden**.

This regional festival will take place Tuesday, April 22 from 4 to 8 p.m. in Western’s water conservation garden, *Landscapes Southern California Style*SM. Western, along with Riverside Public Utilities, the city of Corona Department of Water and Power, and 20 additional nonprofit inland agencies, will host the event in an effort give residents information on how to be environmental stewards and protect Southern California’s precious water supply.

“This event was inspired by the famous NASA photograph, ‘The Earth at Night,’” said John Rossi, Western’s general manager. “Our vision for this event expands the traditional concept of Earth Day to provide an evening community event that fits the schedules of working parents, students and the community.”

The event will feature:

- Live music by flutist Evren Ozan
- Hands-on water education and conservation activities
- “Bugs” presentation by the UCR Entomology Graduate Student Association
- Stories about water conservation stories presented by the Riverside Public Library
- Interactive groundwater model
- Diorama demonstrating urban runoff and how water travels through the environment

Western Municipal Water District provides water supply, wastewater disposal and water resource management to the public in a safe, reliable, environmentally sensitive and financially responsible manner.

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