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## PWD SHARES WATER FACTS WITH STUDENTS ON "IMAGINE A DAY WITHOUT WATER"

*Palmdale*, CA – To mark the fourth annual Imagine a Day Without Water, Palmdale Water District (PWD) staff visited Palmdale Prep Academy today to initiate discussion and answer questions about water.

The students at the junior high school, which focuses on STEM, health careers and AVID, asked the PWD panel questions ranging from how rainwater can be used to how water travels from Northern California to Palmdale. Fortunately, the panel was able to answer every question the students tossed at it.

"I thought the students were very engaged and interested in the topic," said PWD General Manager Dennis D. LaMoreaux. "I'm glad we were able to get them thinking about what life would be like if there was no water."

Imagine a Day Without Water is a national effort to raise awareness, educate communities and call for action to invest in the nation's water

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infrastructure. PWD is one of more than 1,000 participants, including other water utilities, civic leaders, educators and businesses, taking part in this year's campaign to highlight the value of water and the importance of upkeeping infrastructure.

For PWD, introducing the world of water to the 90-plus students was an excellent way to partake in this important day. In addition to learning from the panel, the students also watched a video about PWD's 100-year history.

Palmdale Prep Vice-Principal Teresa Howard said partnering with PWD on Imagine a Day Without Water and future projects will allow the students to explore career paths and be taught in a hands-on environment.

"The expert PWD panel was very informative for our students," Howard said. "The topic of water ties into every aspect of their learning, from science to math to history. It was a great event."

The PWD panel comprised of LaMoreaux, Assistant General Manager Adam Ly, Deputy Water and Energy Resources Director Peter Thompson Jr., Senior Service Worker Corey Shere and Public Affairs Director Judy Shay.

Palmdale Prep is a dependent, no-cost public charter junior high school for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, and part of the Antelope Valley Union High School District.

Since 1918, the Palmdale Water District has provided high-quality water at a reasonable cost. We pride ourselves on providing great customer service; advocating for local water issues that help our residents; educating the community on water conservation; and leading our region

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region in researching and implementing emerging technologies that increase operational efficiency. For more information about PWD, visit <u>www.palmdalewater.org</u>.

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