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PWD LAUNCHES NEW WATER ACADEMY TO ENGAGE & EDUCATE COMMUNITY

Palmdale, CA – To give community members the opportunity to
learn and share information about its inner workings, Palmdale Water
District (PWD) will hold a Water Ambassadors Academy in the fall.
Interested individuals are urged to sign up for the Academy that will
be offered for the first time with the goal of engaging and educating a diverse
group that will become "water ambassadors" in the community. The
Academy is scheduled for 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 19, Sept. 26 and
Oct. 3; and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6. Applicants must commit to all

"We look forward to sharing information about our history, facilities, infrastructure, water sources and future projects with our 'ambassadors," said PWD General Manager Dennis D. LaMoreaux. "We hope they will become our positive voices in the community, leading to more people becoming familiar with PWD and our mission to provide high-quality water."

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The evening sessions will be held at the PWD Board Room and will focus on different topics presented by LaMoreaux and supervisors from some of PWD's nine departments. The Saturday session will take ambassadors on a tour of the Littlerock Dam and Reservoir and the Leslie O. Carter Water Treatment Plant. After the tour, ambassadors will receive their certificates of completion.

The Academy is free, and space is limited. The program is open to anyone interested in learning more about water and PWD. However, applications from PWD customers will be given preference.

The Water Ambassadors Academy is a spinoff of an idea initially proposed by the PWD Community Liaison Ad Hoc Committee composed of Board directors Robert E. Alvarado and Kathy Mac Laren, who wanted a program to encourage more public involvement with PWD.

To apply, please go online to <u>www.palmdalewater.org/waterambassadors</u>. The application deadline is Aug. 31. Dinner will be provided prior to each evening session. For more information, please contact Public Affairs Director Judy Shay at <u>jshay@palmdalewater.org</u> or 661-456-1041.

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