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## Inland Empire Utilities Agency Awarded Wastewater Project of the Year

Award Received from the American Society of Civil Engineers Inland Empire Branch for Water Quality Laboratory

**Inland Empire, CA**— The Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA/Agency) recently received the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Inland Empire Branch's Outstanding Civil Engineering Water/Wastewater Project of the Year award for IEUA's Water Quality Laboratory project. The Wastewater Project of the Year award was presented at ASCE's Annual Awards Banquet held in Riverside, California.

Each year the ASCE Inland Empire Branch recognizes many talented engineers and remarkable projects. The banquet provides local engineers the opportunity to celebrate the achievements of fellow engineers, firms and agencies that are making a positive impact across the Inland Empire.

Construction of the Water Quality Laboratory began in August 2016 and was completed in July 2018. The 17,166 square foot lab is a LEED™ gold-certified building for energy efficiency and for the use of eco-friendly materials. In addition to quality control and quality assurance, educational tours will be provided of the lab showcasing the building and its water quality functions.

"We are very proud of the Water Quality Laboratory project team for their recognition in receiving the Wastewater Project of the Year Award," stated IEUA Board President Steve Elie. "This state-of-the-art laboratory will manage quality testing for the Agency's wastewater treatment and water recycling operations, as well as provide educational opportunities to the community."

The American Society of Civil Engineers' mission is to provide essential value to our members and partners, advance civil engineering, and serve the public good. ASCE advances technology, encourages lifelong learning, promotes professionalism, develops civil engineer leaders, and advocates infrastructure and environmental stewardship.

The Inland Empire Utilities Agency covers 242-square miles, distributes imported water, provides industrial/municipal wastewater collection and treatment services, and other related utility services to more than 875,000 people through its member agencies which include Chino, Chino Hills, Cucamonga Valley Water District, Fontana, Fontana Water Company, Montclair, Monte Vista Water District, Ontario, and Upland.

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