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Inland Empire Utilities Agency Recognizes May as Water Awareness Month

Inland Empire, California – The Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) recognizes May as Water Awareness Month and encourages the community to be mindful of their water usage and kick water wasting habits for good.

California celebrates Water Awareness Month by encouraging the public to continue to preserve our precious resources and use water efficiently. Due to the increase in temperature, historically, water use increases in the month of May, especially outdoor use. Approximately 70 percent of household water usage is utilized for outdoor uses, such as watering lawns, washing cars and cleaning driveways and patios. To help reduce water use, IEUA will be running a social media campaign “Add a Splash of Color, Save a Splash of Water,” to encourage the community to take part in water efficient landscaping.

“As May is Water Awareness Month, it is the perfect time to remind the community how and where water is being used,” stated IEUA Board President Paul Hofer. “This can be done by inspecting outdoor irrigation systems and taking advantage of the water-use efficiency rebate programs made available through IEUA and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. We must all take action to preserve our water resources for current and future generations.”

Ways to save water include:

- After it rains, give your sprinklers a break (for at least 48 hours).
- Sweep your patios and driveways, don’t hose them down.
- Install drip and smart irrigation systems throughout your yard.
- Upgrade your indoor and outdoor water fixtures.
- Run only full loads in the dishwasher and clothes washer.

Check out IEUA’s social media channels for water saving reminders all month long @IEUAWater.

Visit www.KickWaterWaste.com for additional tips, rebates and conservation efforts.

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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