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A Message From Owlie the Owl:

Ahh, summer...my favorite season! Looking for a fun way to spend a summer day? Bring a friend (and a water bottle) and come visit me at the Chino Creek Wetlands!

Me and my friends at the Inland Empire Utilities Agency are looking forward to seeing all of your completed activity sheets, so make sure to send us a photo of them to receive a fun prize!

Talk to you all soo(HOO)n!

-Owlie



Do you remember the riddle from April's edition?

Answer: A waterfall!

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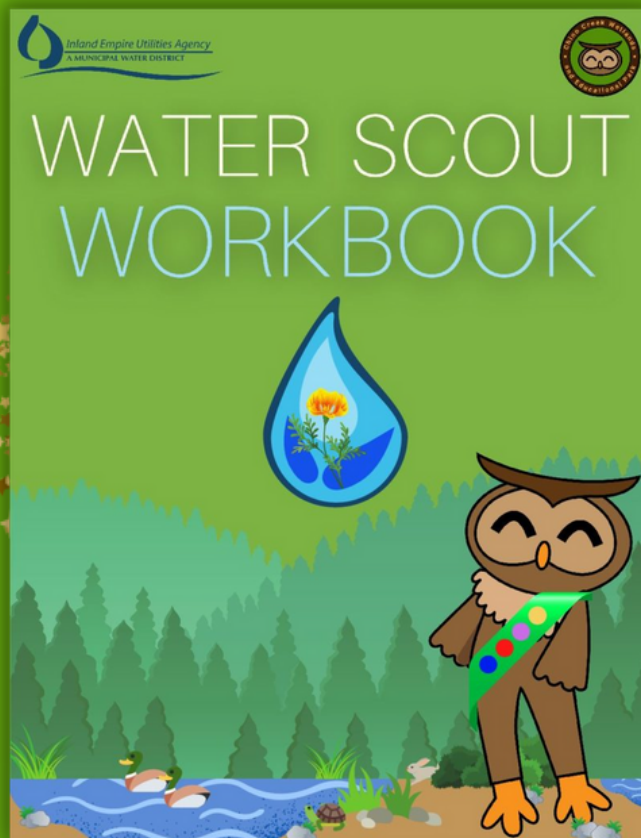
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WATER SCOUT WORKBOOK

Earn your Fun Badge by completing our Water Scout Badge Program! The program will teach Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts (or anyone looking to learn something new) about our water resources, native plants, and sustainability while taking them on a scavenger hunt through the Chino Creek Wetlands and Educational Park. Start earning your Fun Badge by completing the Water Scout Workbook found at www.ieua.org/water-scout-badge-program.



WATER WORD SEARCH

R Q W M H S Z F G D R A U H X
 K E V E D A Q U E D E Q V C X
 R A T N T I F H E M T U N I B
 A C O A K L S M K I A I A Z K
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 E B E I E D E N A R E E C T L
 R M D T C W N X D W T R O F Y
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 F L K E P H V F Z L Y P T Z R
 V G I B L F A J P A C H B P D

AQUIFER
 CLOUD
 GLACIER

GROUNDWATER
 LAKE
 OCEAN

PONDS
 RIVER
 WASTEWATER

WATER
 WATERSHED
 WETLAND

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 YOUR COMPLETED
 WORD SEARCH TO
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 PRIZE!



ADVICE FROM OWLIE

CHINO CREEK WETLANDS BLOG

Q: Dear Owlie,

I heard that the month of July is Smart Irrigation Month. Can you help me understand what Smart Irrigation Month is and how I can participate? Thanks, Owlie!

Sincerely,

Water-Wise Wonderer

A: Dear Water-Wise Wonderer,

I am so glad you asked! Smart Irrigation Month is celebrated throughout the month of July and recognizes water-wise practices in our lawns and gardens and celebrates the technologies, products, and services that allow us to do so.

Not only is practicing smart irrigation beneficial to help alleviate our current drought, it's also easy! Encourage your family and friends to celebrate Smart Irrigation Month by implementing smart irrigation practices such as adjusting sprinkler heads so that they hit the desired area, upgrading your sprinkler controller to a weather-based controller, repairing leaks, planting California natives, using mulch instead of grass, and grouping your plants by similar watering needs. My friends at the Inland Empire Utilities Agency also offer free water-use efficiency rebates and programs to help with all of the above! Be sure to tell them Owlie sent you. 😊

IEUA is also giving away free hose nozzles throughout the month. Stop by Building A of IEUA's Chino Headquarters located at 6075 Kimball Avenue on Monday-Thursdays from 8AM - 5PM to pick one up!

Thanks for the great question! I'll talk to you all soo(HOO)n!

Owlie



TO VIEW EVEN MORE BLOG POSTS, VISIT IEUA.ORG AND CLICK ON LEARN ABOUT WATER!

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PLANT SCRAMBLE

Unscramble the word to reveal the name of the native plant below!

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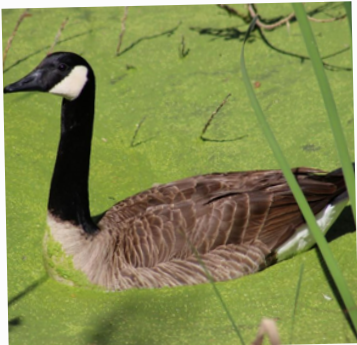
SPECIES SPOTLIGHT

PLANT: GOLDEN CURRANT

The Golden Currant is a non-spiny shrub with stems four to five feet tall and maple shaped leaves. It blooms in spring, with golden yellow flowers that have a fragrance similar to clove or vanilla. It produces berries orange to black in color and attracts a wide range of birds and butterflies!



Golden Currant



Canada Goose

ANIMAL: CANADA GOOSE

The Canada Goose is full of brown and black feathers that shine bright in the sun. However, their feathers aren't always like this. Once a year, usually when the weather warms up, the goose will molt its feathers. Molting will take about 6 weeks and during this time the goose is unable to fly, leaving it vulnerable to predators including coyotes, foxes, and raccoons. In order to protect itself from predators, the goose will spend the majority of its time in the water!

WATER WORD SCRAMBLE

R A K P _____

B Y T F U T R E L _____

U M R S E M _____

W O F R E L _____

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WORD SCRAMBLE TO
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WATER WORD SCRAMBLE ANSWERS: PARK | BUTTERFLY | SUMMER | FLOWER

WALLY'S WORD OF THE DAY

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noun

1. The expanse of salt water that covers most of the earth's surface and surrounds its landmasses.

SEA



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