I’m excited to announce we’ve brought back our Central Focus newsletter. On a bi-monthly basis, we will keep community members up-to-date on our activities and provide the latest water-related news and highlights. I look forward to sharing what we are up to at the District and hope you find our newsletter to be engaging and informative. If you have any comments, article recommendations or suggestions let us know!
- Kevin Hunt, P.E.

August Was Water Quality Month!

Last month at Central Basin we conducted a social media campaign to encourage community members to protect our sources of water. Central Basin receives imported water from the Metropolitan Water District, which uses advanced treatment technologies to meet or exceed all federal and state drinking water regulations and to monitor and adhere to stringent water quality laws and guidelines. By doing simple tasks such as monitoring what you’re pouring down your drains and toilets, you can make a huge difference in our water quality. For more tips, visit our social media channels such as Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. To learn more information about water quality, visit MWD’s website, http://www.mwdh2o.com/.  

Message From Our General Manager
Recent Highlights

**Education Tour:** On August 8th, we had a full day hosting a tour for students enrolled in the Southeast Youth Workforce Development and Civic Engagement Program to take a first-hand look on what water agencies are doing to prepare enough water supplies to meet the needs of residents and businesses in the area. Recycled water is one of the more important components necessary for water agencies to accomplish their goal in diversifying water supply portfolios. During the tour, the students also got to explore one of the pump stations owned and operated by Central Basin where they learned about recycled water operations and distribution.

**So where does the recycled water come from?** With a visit to the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, students learned about how recycled water is processed from wastewater. And to top off the day-long tour, a stop along the construction site for the Albert Robles Center for Water Recycling facility provided the group a preview of a facility that will deliver more than 20,000 acre-feet a year of supplies to the groundwater basin.

**Landscape Transformation and Rebates**

In July, Central Basin, in partnership with Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, launched a new Landscape Transformation Program. The program provides incentives to homeowners and businesses who are seeking to redesign their yards into water efficient landscapes. Additionally, the District offers an assortment of rebate incentives for water saving devices such as high efficiency clothes washers and toilets. Interested in transforming your landscape? For more information visit centralbasin.org or bewaterwise.com.

**National Night Out:**

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that is aimed to promote police and community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie. Central Basin hosted booths in the cities of Downey, Huntington Park, Lynwood, Montebello, Signal Hill, Whittier and unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County. For more information about National Night Out visit https://natw.org/.

**How Much Do You Know About H2O?**

Approximately how much water does the average household in the general vicinity of Los Angeles use per day?

A. 31 gallons  
B. 60 gallons  
C. 100 gallons

**Ask Max!**

**Question:** How do I request a bottled water donation for a community event I’m hosting?

**Answer:** Visit our website under the “How Do I?” tab and fill out the form so we can determine if and how many cases of water we can donate to your event!

**MWD-Sponsored Inspection Trips:**

On September 7-9, Director Vasquez-Wilson will be hosting a Colorado River Aqueduct-Hoover Dam Inspection Trip to educate local leaders about Southern California’s water supply. The tour will include exclusive visits of the Hoover Dam, Copper Basin Dam, William P. Whitsett Pumping Plant, and the Palo Verde Diversion Project. Interested in attending a future tour? Please visit https://www.centralbasin.org/community/outreach/inspection_trips for more information.

**Upcoming Events**

**Board Meetings:**

Our monthly board meetings are held on the fourth Monday of every month. Mark your calendars for this month’s meeting on September 24th and next month’s meeting on October 22nd at 10:00 a.m.

**Committee Meetings:**

Note: Please be advised that our Committee Meeting schedules have changed.

- Water Resources & Governmental Affairs Committee – 1st Tuesday of every month at 10:00 a.m.
- Engineering & Operation Committee – 2nd Wednesday of every month at 10:00 a.m.
- Administration & Finance Committee – 2nd Thursday of every month at 10:00 a.m.

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