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## **WRD Nationally Recognized for Communications Achievements**

*The Water Replenishment District has been selected to receive award from the American Water Works Association at their 2019 annual conference.*

LAKEWOOD, Calif—The Water Replenishment District (WRD) accepts the 2019 Public Communications Achievement Award from the American Water Works Association (AWWA) for outstanding community involvement, promotion of water education and ongoing accomplishments in creating trust and awareness within the community on sustainable water usage and groundwater replenishment.

“I am honored to accept this award on behalf of WRD because the district works diligently to engage the public through our innovative outreach programs,” said WRD Board Vice President Vera Robles Dewitt. “Our agency strives to educate our community about sustainability and groundwater replenishment and the need to protect this precious natural resource.”

Vice President Dewitt accepted the award at the 2019 AWWA Annual Conference in Denver, Colorado on June 10<sup>th</sup> where water organizations are recognized for groundbreaking innovations and the highest achievements in education, science, and infrastructure within water world.

The AWWA is an international nonprofit organization that works to promote education, scientific research, safe water infrastructure and clean water standards around the world. With more than 130 of water knowledge, this association strives for greatness in providing in-depth resources for professionals in the water industry to promote and protect this shared resource.

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*The Water Replenishment District is the largest groundwater agency in the State of California, managing and protecting local groundwater resources for four million residents. WRD's service area covers a 420-square-mile region of southern Los Angeles County, the most populated county in the United States. The 43 cities in the service area, including a portion of the City of Los Angeles, use about 250,000 acre-feet (82 billion gallons) of groundwater annually which accounts for approximately half of the region's water supply.*