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CITY OF CHINO HILLS PREPARES FOR 10-DAY SHUTDOWN OF MAJOR IMPORTED WATER PIPELINE

Chino Hills, CA – Water customers from seven cities within the Inland Empire, including the City of Chino Hills, are being asked to reduce water use for 10 days from Dec. 3 - 12 as the Rialto Pipeline, a major source of imported water, is taken out of service for scheduled repairs. The City receives about 25% of its water from the Rialto Pipeline.

Metropolitan Water District (MWD) of Southern California will suspend deliveries through its Rialto Pipeline to allow the State Department of Water Resources to make repairs to a portion of the pipeline. MWD's 30-mile Rialto Pipeline extends from the State's Devil Canyon Power Plant north of San Bernardino to MWD's San Dimas Power Plant, delivering up to 450,000 gallons of imported water a minute to southland communities.

"We have taken steps to mitigate the reduction in water supply by planning to turn off potable water landscape irrigation systems for City landscape, filling reservoirs to capacity, and increasing water delivery by several million gallons per day from the Chino Basin Desalter Authority and Monte Vista Water District," said Nadeem Majaj, Public Works Director.

According to Majaj, those efforts when combined with residents and businesses following requirements of the Stage II Moderate Water Conservation Alert, which prohibit wasting water, should help the City's customers during the pipeline shutdown. Requirements of the Stage II Alert are available online at www.chinohills.org/WaterAlert. Majaj stressed that residents are always encouraged to do all they can to conserve water.

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