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EVWD ACHIEVES DISTRICT OF DISTINCTION GOLD ACCREDITATION

Special District Leadership Foundation Recognized East Valley Water District for its Sound Fiscal Management Policies and Practices in District Operations

HIGHLAND, Calif., (April 22, 2019) – In carrying out its commitment to elevated public service and transparency in operations, East Valley Water District (District) participates in programs that evaluate special district fiscal policies and practices. For demonstrating excellence in governance, the District has been recognized with the District of Distinction Gold Accreditation by the Special District Leadership Foundation (SDLF).

To achieve the notable accreditation the District fulfilled specific program requirements, including the completion of an audit review of the last three years of operations, and ensuring financial reports, current budget, election procedures, and items such as board meeting schedule and agendas were easily available to the public on its website.

“As a public agency that provides essential services to residents, the District strives to engage with the community by creating open channels of communication,” said Chris Carrillo, East Valley Water District Chairman. “It is an honor to receive this accreditation in recognition of our efforts.”

In addition to fulfilling transparency requirements, East Valley Water District Board of Directors and executive staff participated in public governance and compliance with ethics trainings.

“The District is dedicated to transparency by participating in special governance programs and making information accessible to the public,” said John Mura, East Valley Water District General Manager/CEO. “These programs help us identify steps we can take to enhance how we serve our community.”

In 2018, SDLF recognized the District with the Transparency Certificate of Excellence Award for creating a transparency portal and making it prominent on its website.

For additional information please visit www.eastvalley.org.

About East Valley Water District

East Valley Water District was formed in 1954 and provides water and wastewater collection services to more than 102,000 residents within the City of Highland and portions of both the City and County of San Bernardino. EVWD operates under the direction of a five-member elected Board. More information is available at www.eastvalley.org.

About Special District Leadership Foundation

Special District Leadership Foundation is an independent, non-profit organization formed to promote good governance and best practices among California's special districts through certification, accreditation and other recognition programs.

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