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TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Betsy Herbert, Ph.D.

SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS STATUS REPORT
WEEK ENDING May30, 2008

DATE: June 13, 2008

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Directors review and file the Environmental Programs status report for the week ending June 13, 2008.

BACKGROUND:

EDUCATION GRANT PROGRAM

Staff sent grant award agreements to the four 2008 grantees. For the project proposal for which the Board requested more information, staff contacted the grant applicant with that request. Staff has written an additional memo summarizing this additional information for the Board to reconsider.

CLIMATE CHANGE

Community TV of Santa Cruz County is editing their tape of May 14 forum organized by staff, entitled "Tools for Addressing Climate Change and Impacts on Local Water Resources." The edited version will be shown on Community TV and a DVD of the forum will be provided to the District for distribution to the public.

WATER CONSERVATION

Staff is drafting the new flyer to be mailed along with customer water bills. The flyer emphasizes efficient outdoor water use. The drought tolerant demonstration garden at the side of the Administration building has been planted. The irrigation system has been installed and is being tested.

CALIFORNIA CLIMATE ACTION REGISTRY (CCAR)

Staff is preparing the 2006 and 2007 inventory for submittal to CCAR by the June 30 deadline.

FELTON WATER SYSTEM

Staff is contributing names to a VIP invitation list for Felton FLOW's Water Independence Day Community Celebration on Saturday, July 16 at the Felton fire house on Gushee St. The event is open to the public and celebrates the public acquisition of the Felton water system.

WATERSHED PLAN

Staff has begun accumulating information pertaining to the Felton watershed property for inclusion in the District's Existing Conditions Report.

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