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To: Board of Directors

From: District Manager

Subject: Education Program Grant Final Project Report for "Protecting City Creeks and the San Lorenzo Watershed", City of Scotts Valley

Date: July 13, 2005

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that your Board receive and accept the Education Program Grant Final Project Report for "Protecting City Creeks and the San Lorenzo Watershed".

BACKGROUND:

On May 20, 2004 your Board awarded Education Program Grant Funds in the sum of \$2,499.83 to the City of Scotts Valley for a project entitled "Protecting City Creeks and the San Lorenzo Watershed". Said proposal provided for creation of a four-color, double-sided, tri-fold brochure titled "Protecting our Watershed". The mailing distribution was 3,700 and the extra 800 will be available as hand-outs to the general public. The project was initiated by Brenda Stevens, Economic Development/Planning Specialist for the City of Scotts Valley.

On July 8, 2005 the District received The City of Scotts Valley's Final Project Report. See Attachment 1. Actual project cost relative to this project has been revised to \$1,563.84.

It is recommended that your Board receive and accept the Education Program Grant Final Project Report for "Protecting City Creeks and the San Lorenzo Watershed".

James Mueller District Manager

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Board of Directors San Lorenzo Valley Water District 13060 Highway 9 Boulder Creek, CA 95006-9119

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Subject: Completion of Education Grant Program

Dear Board of Directors of the San Lorezno Valley Water District::

Thank you for the opportunity to allow the City of Scotts Valley to achieve one of our environmental education goals of increasing awareness about the importance of protecting our watershed.

With the District's generous grant award of \$2,499.83, the City was able to design and create (in-house) a four color, double-sided, tri-fold brochure titled "Protecting Our Watershed". City staff referenced information gathered by the San Lorenzo Valley Women's Club and the County of Santa Cruz. Scotts Valley printing was the vendor selected to print 4,500 copies for a total of \$1,563.84. Scotts Valley Water District graciously allowed City staff to insert the brochures into their June 30, 2005 water bill mailing and the mailing was "postage-free" to the City. The mailing distribution was 3,700. The majority of the remaining 800 brochures will be available at City Hall as hand-outs to the general public.

Enclosed, please find several copies of the brochure for your use. If you would like additional brochures, please call me at 440-5630. Also enclosed, is a copy of the invoice that Scotts Valley Printing submitted to the City. As per Mr. Mueller's suggestion, the City will pay the printer directly and the San Lorenzo Water District will then reimburse the City for the same amount of \$1,563.84. This project cost \$935.99 less than was originally estimated. Payment may be made to "The City of Scotts Valley" and sent to:

City of Scotts Valley One Civic Center Drive Scotts Valley, CA 95066 Attention: Brenda Stevens We hope the Board is pleased with the final product. The City has already received compliments on the brochure from various community members. Ultimately, we hope that this educational information will have a positive result on the environment we all share.

Once again, thank you for your assistance in making our goal a reality. It was a pleasure coordinating this project with all the parties involved including staff at: San Lorenzo Valley Water District, Scotts Valley Water District, and Scotts Valley Printers.

Sincerely,

Stevens

Brenda Stevens Economic Development / Planning Specialist

Enclosures: Copy of Invoice Brochures

c: Scotts Valley Water District Scotts Valley Printers Scotts Valley City Council City Manager City Finance Director

INVOICE Nº 12933 Invoice **Scotts Valley Printing** Job No. 12620 and Graphics, Inc. Date 6- 29-05 4305 Scotts Valley Dr. • Scotts Valley, CA 95066 (831) 438-4774 • Fax (831) 439-8780 P.O. # BILL TO: City of Scotts Valley One Civic Center Aprice Scotts Valley, Ca. 95066 AMOUNT UNIT PRICE QUANTITY **OUANTITY** DESCRIPTION SHIPPED ORDERED rotecting our water shed brochures 448. 00 4500 1500 Lolded APPROVED IUL 05 TTY OF SCOTTS VALLEY 1.448.00 SUB-TOTAL PLEASE REMIT TO: THIS INVOICE IS A BINDING CONTRACT. AND 30 DAYS. 15 84 P.O. Box 66744 A FINANCE CHARGE of 1½% will be made on all overdue accounts. TAX Scotts Valley, CA 95067-6744 LEGAL ACTION: If any legal action is necessary to enforce either party's rights SHIPPING under this agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to court costs and 563. TOTAL reasonable attorney's fees in addition to any other judgement of the court.



Home Maintenance Tip

CHECK YOUR SEPTIC SYSTEM OFTEN AND PUMP IT REGULARLY.

DISPOSE OF WASTE PROPERLY, NEVER IN OR NEAR A STREAM.

Exercise care with pesticides, Herbicides or fertilizers.

USE LESS-TOXIC & NON-TOXIC PRODUCTS IN YOUR HOME & GARDEN.

KEEP YARD CLIPPINGS & DEBRIS OFF THE STREAMBANK AND OUT OF CREEKS.

DRAIN POOL & SPA WATER INTO THE SEWER, NOT A CREEK, STREET OR STORM DRAIN.

WASH CARS & BOATS AT A COMMERCIAL CARWASH, NOT NEAR STREAMS.

The City of Scotts Valley is a candidate for "Green Business" certification.

Local References

DOMESTIC ANIMALS

ANIMAL SERVICES AUTHORITY 454-7303 AMERICAN WILDLIFE RESCUE SERVICE 335-3232

EROSION & DRAINAGE

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT 464-2950

LANDSCAPING

CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY 429-7681 SIERRA CLUB, VENTANA CHAPTER 426-4453 SCOTTS VALLEY PLANNING DEPARTMENT 440-5630 MASTER GARDENER PROGRAM 763-8007 WATER CONSERVATION

SCOTTS VALLEY WATER DISTRICT 4,38-2363

WASTE DISPOSAL /

RECYCLING

SCOTTS VALLEY RECYCLING 438-0910 WASTE MANAGEMENT 1-800-665-2209 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL 454-2606 ECOLOGY ACTION 426-5925

(Printed on alternative fibers. 2005.06.4500)

Protecting Our Watershed



" The Goal of life is living in agreement with nature." Zeno 335BC - 264 BC

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Our Watershed



SCOTTS VALLEY RESIDENTS ARE SURROUNDED BY A WEALTH OF NATURAL RESOURCES. THIS PRIVILEGE COMES WITH THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PRESERVATION. ONE OF THE CRITICAL COMPONENTS IS THE PROTECTION OF OUR WATERSHED.

OUR COMMUNITY IS PART OF THE SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATERSHED. WITHIN A WATERSHED, ALL WATER RUNS TO THE LOWEST POINT—A STREAM, RIVER, LAKE OR BAY. CERTAIN ACTIVITIES HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO DESTROY HABITAT, POLLUTE DRINKING WATER, DEGRADE SOILS AND REDUCE OUR QUALITY OF LIFE.

PLEASE HELP PROTECT OUR WATERSHED BY FOLLOWING THE TIPS IN THIS BROCHURE.

THREE WAYS TO PROTECT OUR WATERSHED ...

EROSION CONTROL

Ground disturbance can overload a stream with sediment. Excessive sediment can impair water quality, reduce the streams ability to carry flood water and cause bank instability. Help prevent erosion by: removing debris and yard clippings on streambanks; protect bare soil with gravel, sterile straw, or wood chips. Reduce water velocity from channels and drain pipe outlets by dissipating the water's energy with rock riprap, rock-filled containers of other non-erosive materials. Seeding, mulching and planting willow trees on banks also helps to prevent erosion.

VEGETATION

Low maintenance native plants are best near creeks because: Native species form the base of the food chain, they require less water, they are more resilient to insects and disease and they can help prevent soil erosion. When selecting riparian corridor plants, choose a variety of species including ground cover, shrubs and trees. Avoid planting non-native plants. Choose Native Plants like: Sword Ferns, Chain Ferns, California Blackberry, Blue Elderberry, California Rose, Coffeeberry, Oregon Grape, Pink Flowering Currant, Willow Trees, Big Leaf Maple and Box Elders. Avoid Non-Native Plants like: Periwinkle, Ivy's (English, Algeian and Cape), French & Scotch Broom, Forget-me-not's, Acacia, Monterey Pine, Blue Gum

Eucalyptus, Wandering Jew, Garden Nasturtium and Poison Hemlock.



CONTAMINATES



Pollutants enter streams from many sources: water running off lawns, gardens, roofs, paved streets, and parking lots, to name a few. Storm drain water receives no treatment before entering local creeks and the Monterey Bay. Help keep contaminates such as oil, grease, pet waste and garbage from washing into storm drains. Refer to "Home Maintenance Tips" section for pointers.

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