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PAVEMENT OF HIGHLAND AVENUE POSTPONED UNTIL NEW YEAR

Highland, Calif., (December 23, 2015) – Over the last three months, East Valley Water District (District) has been replacing a critical water line. This project, along with a booster capacity improvements, compliment the surface water treatment facility expansion and improvement that took place in 2012. By replacing the pipeline on Highland Avenue, the community will be able to utilize the full capacity of the upgrade. The final phase of this project is the repaving of Highland Avenue between Summer Trail Place and Orchard Road.

To prevent traffic delays and assist with added holiday traffic, the District has postponed the paving of Highland Avenue until the New Year. The project will proceed in early January 2016, weather permitting. Once started, repaving of Highland Avenue will take approximately 3-4 days to complete.

“These improvements will increase the efficiency and capacity of Plant 134, by reducing electrical and pumping costs and maximizing our pipeline’s capabilities,” said John Mura CEO/General Manager. “These two phases of the projects represent an investment of \$1,484,000 in maintaining a reliable water system for the 101,733 individuals and businesses served by East Valley Water District.”

The Surface Water Treatment Plant, known as Plant 134, is an 8 million gallon per day facility that treats both Santa Ana River Water from the North Fork Water System as well as State Project Water from Northern California. While upgrades to this facility were completed in 2012, two additional capital improvement projects will bring Plant 134 to its full capacity— pipeline replacement and booster capacity improvements. Upgrades to the booster capacity, which help to move the water around the system, are currently underway and are expected to be completed in March 2016. Additionally, in place of the scheduled replacement of the existing 8-inch pipeline, the District installed a new 16-inch pipeline which will maximize service of the 8 million gallons of water being produced each day. Repaving Highland Avenue will complete the pipeline replacement effort.

For more information on District projects and programs, visit www.eastvalley.org.

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East Valley Water District was formed in 1954 and provides water and wastewater services to 101,733 residents within the City of Highland and portions of both the City and County of San Bernardino. EVWD operates under the direction of a 5-member elected Board. More information is available at www.eastvalley.org.