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## First Quarter Budget Review Shows EVWD on Track

Highland, Calif., and (October 30, 2012) – What better way to spend a Wednesday night than hearing an exciting presentation full of charts and graphs, especially when it highlighted a productive first quarter for East Valley Water District. October is usually a time of budget updates and assessment, and East Valley Water District presented an overview update of current revenue, expense, key performance indicators and staffing plan, based on the performance based budget that was adopted in June 2012.

“The First Quarter Budget review is an important update because it paints a picture of current conditions, and gives the District an idea of where we are and what we need to adjust moving forward,” said Board President Matt LeVesque. “Our performance based budget allows for clear milestones and accomplishments throughout the year for this community to see.”

Three months into the Fiscal Year, East Valley Water District revenues are 8% above projections with expenses 6% below estimates. While this is a positive sign it is important to remain on track because many of the upcoming District expenses will be based on various project construction costs, seasonal maintenance that must take place during low demand periods and recurring costs. The positive difference between revenues and expenses has laid the groundwork for the 2012-13 fiscal year to continue reaching major milestones for East Valley Water District.

“This community can see that our conservative financial strategy has positioned us to prepare for our upcoming cyclical expenses while also staying on target with our project schedules,” said General Manager John Mura. “We wanted to take a moment to celebrate this victory, while keeping our nose to the grindstone in order to stay on track for the remainder of the year.”

A bird’s eye view of the District would show that Capital Improvement Projects are taking place across the entire service area. The west side is receiving new radio read meters, the design work is underway for a consolidated headquarters on the east side, a new booster station is under construction on the south side, and the expanded and upgraded treatment facility is located on the north end. 57% of the project specific Strategic Initiative have been completed this quarter to continue providing quality services to area residents.

The next budget review will take place in early 2013 at a regularly scheduled Board meeting. The First Quarter Budget review presentation is available on the District website.

EVWD provides water and sewer collection services to about 70,000 people in the cities of Highland and San Bernardino. For more information about EVWD, call (909) 889-9501 or visit [www.eastvalley.org](http://www.eastvalley.org).

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*East Valley Water District* was formed in 1954 to provide domestic water service to the unincorporated and agricultural-based communities of Highland and East Highlands. Today EVWD provides water and sewer collection services to about 70,000 people in western San Bernardino County. EVWD operates under the direction of a 5-member elected Board. The Mission of East Valley Water District is to provide its customers with a safe and reliable water supply that is delivered at a fair and cost-effective price. More information is available at [www.eastvalley.org](http://www.eastvalley.org).