BEGINNING DECEMBER 3, RESIDENTS IN SEVEN INLAND EMPIRE CITIES ASKED TO REDUCE WATER USE DURING TEMPORARY MAJOR PIPELINE SHUTDOWN

Deliveries from regional water line to be suspended 10 days while repairs take place

Inland Empire, California – Consumers from seven cities within the Inland Empire are being asked to reduce water use for 10 days beginning Monday, December 3 as a major imported water pipeline is taken out of service for scheduled repairs.

The Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) and regional member agencies are joining together in making a water-saving request as the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) prepares to suspend deliveries through its Rialto Pipeline to allow the State Department of Water Resources to make repairs to a portion of the pipeline. The outage is scheduled to last through Wednesday, December 12.

Supplies for IEUA’s service area will be limited during the shutdown, which includes consumers in Chino, Chino Hills, Fontana, Montclair, Ontario, Rancho Cucamonga, and Upland. Consumers are asked to contact their local water supplier to determine water restrictions for their communities.

“IEUA and the Region rely on MWD imported water for about 30 percent of water supply needs. During the shutdown, our member agencies will have to rely solely on the region’s local water supplies,” stated IEUA Board President Steve Elie. “We are asking that all of our residents rise to the water-saving challenge during this temporary 10-day shutdown and make an extra effort to limit their water use.”

Residents can visit www.kickwaterwaste.com for water-saving tips.

Follow IEUA @IEUAwater on social media channels – Facebook, Instagram, Twitter – for updated water saving tips and shutdown information.

MWD’s 30-mile Rialto Pipeline extends from the State’s Devil Canyon Power Plant north of San Bernardino to MWD’s San Dimas Power Plant, delivering up to 450,000 gallons of imported water a minute to southland communities.

The Inland Empire Utilities Agency covers 242-square miles, distributes imported water, provides industrial/municipal wastewater collection and treatment services, and other related utility services to more than 875,000 people through its member agencies which include Chino, Chino Hills, Cucamonga Valley Water District, Fontana, Fontana Water Company, Montclair, Monte Vista Water District, Ontario, and Upland.

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Water savings requested Inland Valley cities during Rialto Pipeline shutdown

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