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Three Local High Schools Receive Award Recognitions at Solar Cup™ Boat Competition
*More than 600 Students from 38 Southland High Schools Competed in the
Nation's Largest Solar-Powered Boat Competition*

INLAND EMPIRE, California – Three local high schools received award recognitions while competing against 35 other southern California high school teams at the three-day Solar Cup™ Boat Competition May 18-20, sponsored by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD).

The Solar Cup™ is a solar powered boat competition held annually at Lake Skinner in Riverside County. This year, there were 38 high school teams competing from six different counties in southern California; making it the nation's largest solar powered boat competition.

IEUA co-sponsored three teams that include: Chino High School, located in Chino, co-sponsored with the city of Chino; Los Osos High School, located in Rancho Cucamonga, co-sponsored with the Cucamonga Valley Water District; and Upland High School, located in Upland, co-sponsored with the city of Upland.

All three high schools were presented with awards:

- Chino High School (Veteran)
 - 1st Place Public Service Message – Inland Region
 - 2nd Place Sprint Race – Inland Region
 - 6th Place Overall – Veterans and Rookies
- Upland High School (Rookie)
 - Overall “Hottest Looking Boat” – Rookie Division
 - 1st Place Endurance Race – Rookie Division
 - 2nd Place Overall – Rookie Division
 - 11th Place Overall – Veterans and Rookies
- Los Osos High School (Veteran)
 - 1st Place for Technical Reports – Foothill Region
 - 2nd Place Endurance Race – Foothill Region
 - 15th Place Overall – Veterans and Rookies

“All participating teams did a wonderful job and showed enthusiasm, teamwork, dedication to learning, creativity, and motivation. This seven-month program, which ends with a weekend competition, enables students to dedicate themselves to a team with a common goal while teaching science, technology, engineering, art, and math,” stated IEUA Board President Steve Elie who represents the cities of Chino and Chino Hills. “The skills developed through this program will be beneficial now and for the students’ future educational and career goals.”

“The leadership, enthusiasm and teamwork that has been on display at this year’s competition has been truly

inspiring,” stated IEUA Board Vice President and Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Director Michael Camacho who represents the cities of Rancho Cucamonga and a portion of Fontana. “Over the last three days, these students have applied various learned skills that this competition fosters and cultivates. It is encouraging to witness the success of the students’ hard work and motivation.”

“This educational program has allowed students an opportunity to work together as a team to problem-solve, learn about mechanical and electrical engineering and learn about conserving natural resources,” stated IEUA Board Member Kati Parker who represents the cities of Upland and Montclair. “We congratulate each and every team for their success and dedication.”

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.