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### **CASQA Recognizes Sacramento County Environmental Department for Stormwater Compliance Program**

*Awards Ceremony to Acknowledge Excellence in Stormwater Quality Management*

September 10, 2007 — The California Stormwater Quality Association will present an award to the Sacramento County Environmental Department for its commercial/industrial stormwater compliance program at the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Stormwater Conference awards luncheon Tuesday, September 11, 2007 being held at the Hilton Hotel in Costa Mesa.

The SCED will receive the **Source Control/Programmatic BMP Implementation Award** for its successful compliance program. The program, implemented on behalf of all National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permittees in Sacramento County, has created a cost-effective countywide stormwater compliance program for all commercial/industrial facilities. It has reduced strain on local agencies' stormwater funds and has allowed for more thorough and effective inspections. The program also created a user-friendly Web site, conducted free training workshops and created compliance guidelines and publications.

“By implementing this program on a county-wide basis, we are promoting consistency in education, inspection, enforcement, and reporting across jurisdictional boundaries,” said Cecilia Jensen, water protection division chief.

Three other CASQA Stormwater Excellence award recipients include:

- **The Treatment Control/Structural BMP Implementation Award** will be presented to the City of Santa Monica for its Westside Quality Improvement Project
- **The Outstanding Stormwater Research Project Award** will be presented to the Irvine Ranch Water District for the Cienega Selenium and Nitrogen Treatment System Project
- **The Outstanding Stormwater News, Information, Outreach, and Media Award** will be presented to the San Mateo County Water Pollution Prevention Program for its Coastal Cleanup Day 2006.

“These projects embody the California Stormwater Quality Association’s goals to advance stormwater quality management, science and regulation. We recognize these projects for their success, innovation and dedication to the improvement of stormwater quality in California,” said Jeff Endicott, awards committee chair.

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The CASQA awards program identifies and recognizes exemplary leadership, outstanding projects, activities and contributors to the field of stormwater quality management. CASQA awards are available to both public and private projects and individuals from public agencies and private businesses. Award candidates must be nominated by a CASQA member and are evaluated on demonstrated excellence, ingenuity, creativity, professionalism and documented results. Awards may be made at local, regional and statewide levels.

#### About CASQA

The California Stormwater Quality Association, founded in 1989, helps develop stormwater management policies and regulations in California. Through its efforts to improve stormwater management practices, CASQA is on its way to creating cleaner waterways and beaches throughout California.

The association collaborates with the Environmental Protection Agency, municipalities, special districts, and businesses to achieve effective stormwater quality management programs in California. Membership consists of individuals and groups from government agencies, businesses, science organizations, development groups, and construction groups. For more information about CASQA or to become a member, please visit [www.casqa.com](http://www.casqa.com)

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