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San Diego Water Board to Hear Residents' Water Quality Concerns at Environmental Justice Forum June 10

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SAN DIEGO -- The San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board is hosting a free Environmental Justice Symposium from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 10, 2017, to hear from residents of the San Diego Region about the water quality issues most important to them.

Held at the San Diego Community College District's Cesar Chavez Campus in the Barrio Logan neighborhood of San Diego, the Water Board forum expects to hear from members of the community on issues such as: drinking water safety; safe consumption of fish and shellfish caught in San Diego Bay; status of sewage contamination at the U.S./Mexico border; contamination cleanup in San Diego Bay; and the status of local urban creeks. These are just some of the topics that may be discussed at the forum. The Water Board welcomes any and all questions and issues related to water quality, as well as suggestions for potential solutions.

"Members of local and state government are coming to Barrio Logan this Saturday because they want to hear from the public," said Deborah S. Jayne, community outreach director for the San Diego Water Board. "One of San Diego Water Board's ultimate goals is to take future actions that will not only benefit the health of the waters in our local environmental justice communities, but will also ultimately benefit the health of the people that live nearby."

Along with staff from the Water Board, San Diego councilmembers David Alvarez (District 8) and Georgette Gomez (District 9), Imperial Beach Mayor Serge Dedina, Sen. Toni Atkins (District 39), as well as other elected officials, will be on hand to listen to the community's concerns.

Refreshments, children's activities and simultaneous Spanish translation of the day-long open mic/listening session will be available on Saturday. The Cesar Chavez Campus is located at 1901 Main St., San Diego 92113. For more information visit the San Diego Water Board's Community Outreach webpage at

www.waterboards.ca.gov/sandiego/press_room/community_outreach.