



UPPER SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

December 3, 2009

The Honorable David Dreier
U.S. House of Representatives
Room 233 CHOB
Washington DC, 20515

Dear Congressman Dreier:

The Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District (Upper District) was formed by the San Gabriel Valley voters in December of 1959 to address water problems in the rapidly developing region.

Currently, the Upper District, in partnership with the Water Replenishment District of Southern California and the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County, is planning the Groundwater Replenishment Reliability Program (GRIP). Under this program, recycled water will be receiving additional purification treatment and supplied for groundwater recharge.

Recycled water is one of the most dependable, abundant and underutilized supplies of water. It is a continual source, locally controlled; drought-resistant that relieves the need for costly imported supplies. Neighboring Orange County has proactively moved in this direction by constructing the Orange County Water District Groundwater Replenishment System that uses advanced treatment of recycled water to replenish its groundwater. In planning for the needs of the San Gabriel Valley and the water supply challenges facing California, GRIP is a long-term and necessary solution for developing a reliable source of water for the coming years.

The Upper District is requesting your consideration and support of your office for our Water Resources Development Act application.

Sincerely,

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