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Sacramento Dedicates Revitalized Del Paso Regional Park Wetland

WHO/ WHAT: Sacramento City Councilmember Sandy Sheedy, the City of Sacramento Department of Utilities, and the California Regional Water Quality Control Board will unveil an educational kiosk to dedicate a newly revitalized wetland area in Del Paso Regional Park. The wetland area revitalization, sponsored by grant funds from the California Regional Water Quality Control Board and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, will provide a natural filtration of urban runoff from nearby homes and will provide increased natural habitat for native species of birds, plants and animals.

WHEN: Monday, November 8, 2010 at 10 a.m.
WHERE: Del Paso Regional Park Wetland
Norris Avenue and Auburn Boulevard
Sacramento, CA

WHY: Water that enters storm drains in Sacramento flows untreated to local waterways, such as the Norris Tributary of Arcade Creek, bringing with it chemicals from lawns and gardens, oil from driveways and road ways as well bacteria from pet waste that was not properly disposed of. Wetland areas, such as the grant-funded Del Paso Regional Park Wetland, help to naturally treat the storm water and urban runoff that enters the waterway while providing increased natural habitat for native species of plants, birds and other wildlife.

Visuals/Interview Opportunities:

- Del Paso Regional Park Wetland
- Sacramento Council Member Sandy Sheedy
- John Lowrie, State Watershed Program Manager at Dept of Conservation
- Patrick Sanger, Project Manager, Del Paso Regional Park Wetland Grant Project

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