



*The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California*

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**METROPOLITAN'S SPRING GREEN EXPO TO FEATURE AREA LEADERS, STUDENTS, ENTREPRENEURS, INVENTORS WHO ARE MAKING A MORE SUSTAINABLE WORLD  
Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, climate change scientist David Yates, noted teen environmentalist among speakers at third annual event this Thursday**

Showcasing the latest in water sustainability, innovations in green design for housing, and new solar power applications, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California will host the third annual Spring Green Expo Thursday (June 10).

Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa will open the expo, which will focus on the cutting edge of green design and will feature 27 exhibits from students at 13 colleges and universities as well as more than 40 exhibits by businesses and public agencies.

The expo will be held at Metropolitan's downtown Los Angeles headquarters, at 700 N. Alameda St., adjacent to historic Union Station, from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admission is free.

"Forty years after the first Earth Day, the concept of 'going Green' is firmly ensconced in the next generation," said Metropolitan board Chairman Timothy F. Brick. "Today, there are more options than ever for individuals and organizations interested in saving the planet by making green choices in their daily activities."

During the day, a series of seminars will offer the latest concepts in water, climate change science and solutions. Speakers include scientist David Yates of the National Center for Atmospheric Research and Alec Loorz, the 16-year-old founder of the non-profit Kids vs. Global Warming.

Workshops will cover Southern California Water Agencies—Sustainability Innovations, Responding to a Changed Climate and Building an Award-Winning Sustainable Home Organic Vegetable Gardening.

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Although there is no cost to visit the exhibits or attend the workshops, those attending are requested to pre-register for any seminars they plan to attend. A description of each seminar and a link to the registration forms is available at [www.mwdh2o.com](http://www.mwdh2o.com).

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*The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is a cooperative of 26 cities and water agencies serving 19 million people in six counties. The district imports water from the Colorado River and Northern California to supplement local supplies, and helps its members to develop increased water conservation, recycling, storage and other resource-management programs.*