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### Goleta Water District Receives \$90,000 Refund

The Goleta Water District Board of Directors accepted a refund check for \$90,052 on Tuesday, February 8, 2011 from the District's insurance provider, the Association of California Water Agencies/Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA/JPIA). The check represented a partial return of prior years' insurance premiums, due to the District's successful efforts to control and reduce property, liability, and workers' compensation losses.

"This ACWA/JPIA refund demonstrates the effectiveness of the District's policies and procedures to protect our assets and employees," said Board of Directors President Bill Rosen. "The District's efforts have resulted in reduced injury and damage claims, as well as lower costs for ratepayers."

According to District General Manager John McInnes, "Employee safety is one of our highest priorities. Since 1997, the District has maintained an employee-led team focusing on the continuous improvement of risk management strategies. This refund is a positive reminder that such proactive actions can help the bottom line."

The ACWA/JPIA is a partnership of nearly 300 public water agencies in California. These agencies have pooled their resources to provide property and casualty insurance coverage and claims handling, as well as related training and loss control services. This year, the ACWA/JPIA is refunding over \$6 million to its member agencies.

The Goleta Water District provides water to a diverse population of approximately 85,000 customers, including agricultural, residential, commercial, industrial, and institutional accounts. The District's water system includes over 270 miles of pipelines, a water treatment plan, storage reservoirs, pumping facilities, active wells, a recycled water system, and connections with Lake Cachuma and the State Water Project.

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