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SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT Now accepting applications for 2009 Education Program Grants

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The San Lorenzo Valley Water District is currently accepting grant proposals from individuals, students, teachers, groups and/or organizations for education, environmental restoration and enhancement projects within the San Lorenzo River watershed. The deadline for applying is 5:00 p.m., Friday May 1, 2009.

This year, the District is suggesting some exciting new project areas for applicants to consider that would add to the understanding of District-owned watershed lands. These projects include surveying and mapping of native and invasive species, habitat features, and a pilot project for estimating the amount of carbon stored in District forest lands. Another suggested project involves the design of a website to publicize watershed projects.

Application guidelines and detailed grant requirements are available on the District's website <http://www.slvwd.com> or at the offices of the District, 13060 Highway 9, Boulder Creek, CA, 95006.

The total amount available for the 2009 grants is \$17,500.00. Each individual grant may be up to \$2,500.00, with an additional \$500.00 available for an optional public outreach component.

Grant award decisions are normally made within six (6) weeks of the proposal application deadline

Further information may be obtained by contacting the District at (831) 430-4627 or bherbert@slvwd.com.