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## **Public Television Show to Feature Local Water Efforts** *“California’s Water” Segment Highlights American River, Roseville*

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** – Collaborative water efforts in the Sacramento region are the focus of a 30-minute public television program set to air at 7 p.m. February 6 on KVIE. “Sacramento Valley: Working Together Pays Off,” sponsored by the Regional Water Authority (RWA), is the latest segment in the “California’s Water” series produced and hosted by Huell Howser.

The segment highlights successful Sacramento Valley partnerships, including the historic Water Forum Agreement on the lower American River and an innovative groundwater storage program by the City of Roseville.

On the lower American River, partners are implementing an array of programs to protect and enhance the river while meeting the Sacramento region’s need for a reliable water supply. In Roseville, water managers are pursuing an aquifer storage and recovery program that allows the city to inject treated drinking water from the American River into a local groundwater basin. The water is “banked” until needed in dry periods to help meet demands without additional diversions from the American River. The program is a partnership among Roseville, RWA and the Department of Water Resources and funded by a grant through Proposition 13 of 2000.

Howser, host of the popular “California’s Gold” and “California’s Green” programs for public television, visited the American River and Roseville for the Sacramento Valley

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segment, which also features a state-of-the-art fish screen on the Sacramento River near Hamilton City.

RWA sponsored the segment with contributions from several local water suppliers, including Carmichael Water District, Citrus Heights Water District, City of Folsom, City of Roseville, City of Sacramento, El Dorado Irrigation District, Placer County Water Agency, San Juan Water District and Sacramento Suburban Water District.

The “California’s Water” series began airing on public television stations around the state in April 2006. The multi-part series is underwritten by members of the Association of California Water Agencies to highlight California’s water system and key aspects of water management today, from water storage and water recycling to flood control and desalination. More information on the series is available at [www.acwa.com](http://www.acwa.com).

RWA is a joint powers authority representing 22 water providers in the greater Sacramento area. Its primary mission is to help its members protect and enhance the reliability, availability, affordability and quality of water resources.

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