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SUBJ: **City Manager's Weekly Report**

### **Parks**

- Tim Duvall and Robert Condrey recently attended the California Park and Recreation Society Conference in Sacramento where they completed the National Recreation and Park Association Playground Safety Course. They are now Certified Playground Safety Inspectors for the City of Yuba City. Please join us in congratulating them.

### **Human Resources**

- The annual QAT Barbeque was held on Thursday, May 24, 2007 at Sam Brannan Park. Approximately 150 employees attended the lunch. Fire Captain Dave Newquist served an outstanding lunch that included pulled pork and smoked chicken. The City Manager presented plaques to each of the teams, and expressed his appreciation and support of the QAT Committee. Thank you to everyone for your participation in the QAT process and to those who helped during the barbeque.

### **Administrative Services**

- The General Services Fleet Maintenance Section has been recognized by the Automotive Service Excellence's (ASE) Blue Seal of Excellence program for the third time. Congratulations to Tom Wheeler, Ken Reische, Chris Coulson, Tony Jayne, and Doug McKenzie. The City's Fleet Maintenance Section services 332 pieces of equipment ranging from heavy equipment to lawn equipment and from sedans to 10-yard dump trucks, along with Police and Fire safety equipment.

## **Utilities Department**

- The Utilities Department provided comments on the draft wastewater facility discharge permit to the Regional Water Quality Control Board. Board staff is scheduled to issue another draft June 4. Yuba City also provided the Board comments recommending some changes to the City of Davis wastewater permit that is pending approval by the Board. If these recommendations are adopted by the Board, the changes should also be beneficially incorporated into the final Yuba City permit. If they are not adopted, it could set an unfavorable precedence for the Yuba City permit.
- Approximately 800 homes south of Franklin, west of Walton, east of Sanborn, and north of Lincoln were temporarily converted from ground water to surface water supply. This was done because the well that normally provides their summer water supply now exceeds the nitrate water standard. A letter is being sent to the affected homes. The area already exceeded the arsenic water standard, but nitrates are considered to be an immediate health concern. Public meetings are being scheduled with the residents to determine a long-term solution.
- The 2006 annual drinking water quality report will be included in the water bills received June 1. The report indicates that the surface water system met all drinking water quality standards. The groundwater customers west of Highway 99 exceeded the arsenic standard. A copy of the report will be placed on [www.yubacity.net](http://www.yubacity.net) within a few days.