

JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT

# WATERLINE REPORT

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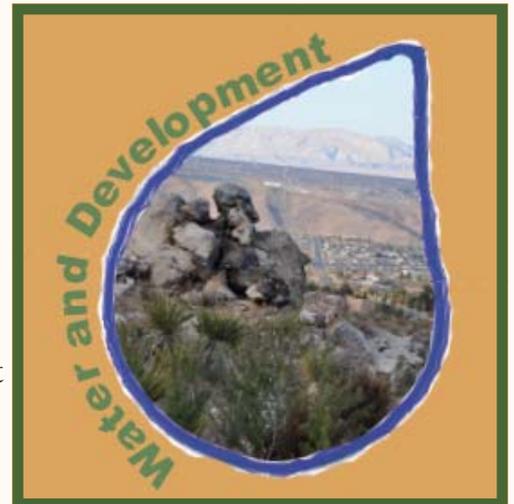
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## Joshua Basin Water District's Water and Land Use Forum

How is land use related to water policy and planning? The JBWD Board, staff, and area residents listened to a panel of experts, including water and land use planner Dr. Jeff Loux of the Land Use and Natural Resources Program at UC Davis; Attorney Paeter Garcia, Senior Associate at the law firm Best Best & Krieger; geologist Dr. Peter Martin, Program Chief at U.S. Geological Survey; Engineer David Scriven of Krieger and Stewart Engineering; Kirby Brill, General Manager of Mojave Water Agency; Susan Lien Longville, Director of Water Resources Institute at California State University San Bernardino; and Susan Carpenter, facilitator, led the Forum.

Sponsored on Thursday and Friday, February 18 and 19 by JBWD Board of Directors and 3<sup>rd</sup> District County Supervisor Neil Derry, the panel discussed ways that new development is becoming more sustainable. They answered many questions from the Board and community about how ever-changing state laws and legal decisions affect the District's requirements in considering water for new development. In general, the County is responsible for approving the type and density of new development, and the water district is responsible for providing water to that development. However, there is considerable overlap in how the two agencies work to assure that development and water are matched.

Key themes were that providing water requires proactive, long term planning; and that collaboration among many agencies is essential. The JBWD Board prides itself in both of these areas, planning as far as 50 to 100 years into the future, and working with many agencies at the local, state, and federal level to assure an adequate amount of high quality water for current JT residents and for generations to come. DVDs of the two-day event are available at the JBWD offices for a minimal charge.



The Board of Directors meets regularly on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of each month at 7 p.m. at the District Office. Some meetings are cancelled, please check with the District office before planning to attend.

JBWD is an equal opportunity provider.





## AWAC Calendars Available

If you enjoy the "Plant of the Month" feature in our newsletter, then we have just the thing for you!

AWAC (Alliance for Water Awareness and Conservation) 2010 Plant Calendars are available at the District office.

The calendars are packed with photos of beautiful, drought-tolerant plants and gardens, and feature tips on watering and low water use gardening.

The calendars are absolutely free, compliments of Joshua Basin Water District and the Alliance for Water Awareness and Conservation. Just drop by the office and pick yours up!

Joshua Basin Water District is proud to be a member of the Alliance for Water Awareness and Conservation. AWAC has supported many of our conservation projects, including the Landscape Demonstration Garden, Residential Landscape templates for customers, and Landscape Workshops.



## Coming Next Month!

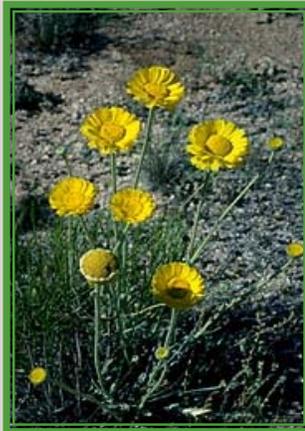
### Joshua Basin Water District Demonstration Garden Opening

- In conjunction with Earth Day 2010, JBWD has set the date for the Grand Opening of our demonstration garden for Saturday April 17th.
- This garden was designed specifically for the Morongo Basin area, with input from Joshua Tree National Park, The Summertree Institute, AWAC and other experts.
- The Theodore Payne Association will be on site with seeds and seedlings of plants featured in the garden.
- Live demonstration on care of native and drought-tolerant plants.
- The garden is a living representation of the Residential Landscape templates available on our website. Visit our garden, then create your own at home!
- More details to come in the following weeks!



## PLANT OF THE MONTH FEBRUARY 2010

### DESERT MARIGOLD—*Baileya multiradiata*



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Desert-Marigolds are one of the most conspicuous spring wildflowers across the arid lands of the southwest. They begin to flower in March and will continue to bloom off and on until November. Rain triggers additional rounds of flowering.

They commonly grow on stony slopes, sandy plains, mesas, and are most abundant on roadsides, where they may form dense yellow carpets. They range in elevation from 100 to 6500 feet. Their drought tolerance and long flowering season have made the desert-marigold a popular plant for domestic landscaping.



For more information  
on low water use gardening,  
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