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South Metro Water Supply Authority Wins Merit Award for Water Master Plan

CENTENNIAL, Colo. – Nov. 27, 2007 – The South Metro Water Supply Authority (SMWSA), an organization consisting of 13 cooperating water providers in Douglas and Arapahoe Counties, and its engineering consultant, CDM, have been awarded an Engineering Excellence Merit Award from the American Council of Engineering Companies of Colorado. The award recognizes SMWSA’s water master plan for its sustainable options in meeting future regional water supply needs.

“The Engineering Excellence Awards are the most prestigious awards in the engineering industry. This award reflects the initiative and leadership being taken by our members to increase the sustainability of our long-term water supplies,” said Rod Kuharich, executive director for SMWSA.

SMWSA retained CDM, a global consulting, engineering, construction and operations firm, to write the plan, which offers a phased approach to transition to a more sustainable supply portfolio beginning immediately and continuing to the 2030s and beyond. SMWSA approved the plan in June 2007.

Award entries are judged on innovative applications of new or existing techniques, future value to the engineering profession, public perception, social/economic/sustainable design and complexity. For more information about the awards, visit www.acec-co.org.

About South Metro Water Supply Authority

South Metro Water Supply Authority (SMWSA) is the south-metro region’s leader in water development and distribution. Formed in August 2004, SMWSA is an experienced and knowledgeable regional water entity that plans, develops and sources renewable water for Douglas and Arapahoe Counties in Colorado. SMWSA’s mission is to foster long-term reliable and affordable water supplies in the south Denver-metro region, through water conservation, reuse, renewable source acquisitions, regional structural and non-structural projects, funding mechanisms and integrated use of resources. The municipal water providers in SMWSA include: Arapahoe County Water and Wastewater Authority, Castle Pines North Metropolitan District, Centennial Water and Sanitation District, Cottonwood Water and Sanitation District, East Cherry Creek Valley Water and Sanitation District, Inverness Water and Sanitation District, Meridian Metropolitan District, Parker Water and Sanitation District, Pinery Water and Wastewater District, Roxborough Park Metropolitan District, Stonegate Village Metropolitan District, Town of Castle Rock and the Castle Pines Metropolitan District. For more information visit www.SouthMetroWater.org.