



## Agenda Report

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### REPORT TO COUNCIL

#### **SUBJECT**

Recognition of Visala Tallavarjula as the California Recipient of the Stockholm Junior Water Prize

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Stockholm Junior Water Prize (SJWP) is considered the world's most prestigious award presented to a high school student for a water research project. The Water Environment Federation (WEF) has coordinated the U.S. competition since its inception in 1997, and partner closely with their Member Association to execute the program.

#### **DISCUSSION**

CWEA (California Water Environment Association) previously announced that Visala Tallavarjula from Wilcox High School in Santa Clara, California, will represent the state of California for the third consecutive year at the national competition for her project titled, "Irrigation Water Usage Efficiency Improvement by Modification of Root Zone Soil Properties Using Carbon Sequestration."

Forty seven state winners and Puerto Rico competed in the national finals June 16 at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte with the national winner advancing to the international competition in late August.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

This is an informational report only and no action is being taken by the City Council and no environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") is required.

#### **PUBLIC CONTACT**

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