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2ND Water Conversation Meeting at West Sacramento Library August 18

(Woodland, CA) – Due to overwhelming interest in the series of regional discussions on water policy issues in California, the Yolo County Library, along with meeting sponsor, University of California Cooperative Extension, will hold a second Water Conversations meeting on August 18, 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., at the Arthur F. Turner Community Library located at 1212 Merkley Avenue in West Sacramento. Participation is limited to 25 and advanced registration is required. For more information or to register, contact the Library Information Desk at: (916) 375-6465 or send email to: cheryl.chapel@yolocounty.org.

"These conversations provide a valuable opportunity to discuss water-related issues and possibilities that will affect the future of our region," said Yolo County Supervisor Mike McGowan. "I am pleased there is so much interest in the discussion."

Segments of the discussion will be filmed and will become first-hand documentary footage to raise legislator and policy-maker awareness of constituent views on water conservation. The West Sacramento sessions are being held in conjunction with discussions in other Delta counties including Contra Costa, Sacramento, San Joaquin and Solano counties.

Well known facilitator and professor of Theology, Dr. Craig Paterson has been chosen to promote open and impartial discussion at the meeting. Dr. Paterson received a doctor of ministry degree from the Claremont School of Theology, has been extensively engaged in National Issues Forums on the local, state and national level, and has been a research partner with the Kettering Foundation in the study and practice of deliberative decision-making in public policy.

The Water Conversation Meeting is sponsored by the University of California, Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources; the Yolo County Library, Arthur F. Turner Community Library; and the California Center for the Book. For more information on Yolo County Library programs visit: <u>www.yolocountylibrary.org</u> or call (916) 375-6465. For more information about the Water Conversations project online, visit: <u>http://ucanr.org/sites/CAH2OConversations/</u>