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CITY RECEIVES NATIONAL WATERREUSE PROJECT OF THE YEAR AWARD

WINTER PARK, Fla., an internationally recognized ICMA Excellence Award winner with accredited fire, police and parks & recreation agencies

(September 23, 2013) – The WaterReuse Association has awarded the City of Winter Park the “**2013 WaterReuse Project of the Year Award**” for its Winter Park Estates Wastewater Treatment Facility. This award recognizes projects whose significance and contributions to the community continue to advance the water reuse industry. The Winter Park Estates facility was selected among 21 entries based upon demonstration of continued dedication to the water reuse community.

The high-quality reclaimed water that is produced at the Winter Park Estates facility is used for irrigation at two nearby golf courses in addition to a ballpark and cemetery. The facility is currently under plans for expansion to provide reclaimed water to local neighborhoods for home irrigation.

The City of Winter Park is committed to running the Winter Park Estates facility to the highest level of operation with no reported permit exceedences. Because the Winter Park Estates facility has irrigation-only customers and no other forms of effluent disposal, it only treats the amount of reclaimed water demanded. Excess wastewater is diverted to the City of Orlando's Iron Bridge Treatment Facility. This process makes the best use of available local supply and demand for reclaimed water and provides Winter Park with savings on their potable water supply.

For more information regarding the WaterReuse Association, please visit watereuse.org. For more information regarding the City of Winter Park, please visit the city's official website at cityofwinterpark.org.

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