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***Love Your Levee Clean-up* benefits levee while preserving pristine environments for recreation**

Councilmember Robbie Waters, local youth, and members of the Pocket community will come together this Saturday to clean-up areas along the levee and Garcia Bend Park. Now in its fourth year, the *Love Your Levee Clean-up* allows residents to volunteer their time to a good cause that benefits the City's levees while preserving pristine areas for recreation.

Sacramento's levees not only protect the city, they along with the parks and recreational sites that border them, provide residents with places to bike, walk, and access the river. Often, these areas are susceptible to litter and debris left behind by individuals who do not fully understand the damage that such litter can cause to local eco-systems.

Volunteers of all ages will pick-up litter and debris then prepare it to be removed by the City. Staff from the Utilities and Parks and Recreation Departments will be on-hand to educate volunteers about how their efforts help lessen levee erosion and preserve natural areas.

Last year, the *Love Your Levee Clean-up* involved more than 70 youth and adult volunteers and collected hundreds of pieces of trash and debris.

Details

What: *Love Your Levee Clean-up*

Date/Time: Saturday, May 9th, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Where: Garcia Bend Park - 7654 Pocket Road, Sacramento

Significance: Sacramento area levees protect the city. The parks and natural areas that border them provide residents with many recreational opportunities. Litter and man-made debris threatens the eco-systems in these areas. On Saturday, volunteers will help restore the areas to their pristine state.

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