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Gifts

The **John E. Williams Memorial Fund** has been established at the Water Resources Center Archives. John E. Williams (January 10, 1923-July 19, 1995) was a farmer in the San Joaquin Valley and a long-standing Board member of the Panoche Water District and the Central Valley Project Water Association. John is remembered by those who knew him as "a man who understood the vital importance of water to the well-being of the Central Valley, the State, and the world."

The funds donated to the Archives will be used to purchase material for the general collection on topics such as the Central Valley Project, agriculture or irrigation technologies in the Central Valley, and the history of agricultural water development in California. Each item will receive a bookplate designating it as a gift "in memory of John E. Williams" and will be listed in future issues of *Selected Recent Accessions*.

Panoche Water District has kindly sent a framed photograph of Mr. Williams which will be displayed in the Archives.

Contributors to the fund, which now totals over \$9,000, include:

San Luis & Delta-Mendota Water Authority
Panoche Water District
Mercy Springs Water District
Central Valley Project Water Association
J.F.B. Ranch, Inc.
Del Puerto Water District

**De Cuir & Somach
Frost, Krup and Atlas**

The Archives wishes to thank the generous contributors to the John E. Williams Fund and is pleased to have this opportunity to establish a lasting memorial in John's honor.

New Services

WATERLINE is a national river telephone hotline which reports river conditions. To obtain water level readings, dial **1-900-726-GAGE (4243)** on a touch-tone telephone. After the preliminary messages, enter any six-digit site code and listen to the report. You can interrupt the report at any time by entering a different site code. The codes for stations that are reported on the San Joaquin River are:

061644 Cosumes River--Michigan Bar gage height

062238 Kings River--Pine Flat release

065119 Merced River--Lake McClure flow

062575 Mokelumne River--Camanche release

065125 Stanislaus River--Orange Blossoms Bridge height and flow

063858 Tuolumne River--Modesto gage height

You will be charged \$1.19 per minute with an average call lasting 2 minutes. There are no long distance charges. ***WATERLINE*** provides updated gauge readings for most stations every four hours. For gauge lists and other information, call **1-800-945-3376**. ***WATERLINE*** Customer Service representatives are available 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM EST, Monday through Friday.

Announcements

Bureau of Reclamation History Program

The United States Bureau of Reclamation has published the first set of historic narratives of some of their projects. Although not meant to be definitive histories, the reports are written by historians and contain technical details about the projects. The narratives include bibliographies and are approximately 50 pages in length.

You may contact Brit Storey, USBR Historian, at 303-236-1061, ext. 241 for more information about this program.

October's [Selected Recent Accessions](#) includes the Project Histories that have been received and cataloged by the Archives to date.

EPA/NETAC Agreement

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recently signed a cooperative agreement with the National Environmental Technology Applications Center (NETAC) that provides \$250,000 per year for three years to establish and operate a new national center for promoting innovative technologies to cleanup contaminated groundwater. NETAC will be located at the University of Pittsburgh Applied Research Center. For more information, call Jeff Heimerman at 703-308-8806

Bilingual Water Quality Sampling Handbook

The [Water Resources Research Center](#) at the University of Arizona, in cooperation with the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ), has published a bilingual water quality sampling handbook intended for use in the U.S.-Mexico border region. The manual outlines a step-by-step process, from siting a water sampling station to shipping collected samples to analytical laboratories. For a copy of [Field Manual for Water Quality Sampling/Manual de Campo para el Muestreo de la Calidad del Agua](#), contact Gary Woodard, woodard@ccit.arizona.edu at the WRRC, 520-792-9591, or Mario Castaneda at ADEQ, 800-234-5677, ext. 4409.

New Reports

Two new reports published by the California Water Resources Center are available for distribution: *The California Water Resources Center Annual Report 1993-1994* (WRC report no. 85); and, *Watersheds '94: Respect, Rethink and Restore: Proceedings of the Fifth Biennial Watershed Management Conference* (WRC report no. 86), held in Ashland, Oregon, November 16-18, 1994.

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