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Local Wastewater Facility Receives National “Utility of the Future” Recognition

Antioch, CA – Delta Diablo is proud to announce they have received national recognition as a Utility of the Future from the National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA). The award was presented at the 2018 Water Environment Federation (WEF) annual conference earlier this month.

The recognition celebrates the achievements of water utilities that are transforming from the traditional wastewater treatment system to a “resource recovery center” and leader in the overall sustainability and resiliency of the communities they serve.

Delta Diablo is one of the 32 water utilities in the world that are being recognized for their outstanding regulatory compliance, water recycling, energy management, biosolids reuse, household hazardous waste, community engagement, and industry leadership achievements. General Manager Vince De Lange reports: “Our Utility of the Future vision is based on embracing innovation, progressive leadership, and a continuous improvement-based organizational culture to benefit the environment, maintain reasonable rates, and serve as responsible stewards of the public’s resources and trust.”

The Utility of the Future Today concept is being promoted as water systems face challenges such as aging infrastructure, water pollution, workforce shortages, and impacts of climate change, including drought, floods, storms, and sea level rise. The Utility of the Future Today program was launched in 2016 by NACWA, WEF, the Water Environment & Reuse Foundation (WE&RF) and the WaterReuse Association, with input from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Delta Diablo is a California special district that provides water resource recovery services to nearly 215,000 customers in the City of Antioch, the City of Pittsburg, and the unincorporated community of Bay Point. The water resource recovery services consist of secondary treatment of wastewater, recycled water production and distribution, pollution prevention, energy recovery, beneficial reuse of biosolids, street sweeping, and household hazardous waste collection. For more information, visit www.DeltaDiablo.org.