



The Wash Gets a Turf Transplant



A crew from Native Resources transplants native grasses near the Pabco Weir.

In a continuing cooperative recycling effort, Clark County recently assisted the Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee (LVWCC) in transplanting vegetation from the under-construction Duck's Unlimited wetlands project to the north side of the Las Vegas Wash. The native Desert Saltgrass (*Distichlis spicata*), noticed within the construction footprint, would have been destroyed without action. However, with a few phone calls and a quick response from local contractor Native Resources, sections of grass were loaded onto a truck and replanted at a future volunteer revegetation site near the Pabco Road Weir.

While some of this grass has found its final home, it is anticipated that this area can serve as a nursery and transplants can be taken from this area to further enhance future revegetation projects. In total, nearly three acres of grass were transplanted, which could eventually save the LVWCC a significant amount of money.

Upcoming Meetings

Operations Study Team

Jan. 7, 2009 • 8:30 a.m.

Research and Monitoring Study Team

Jan. 7, 2009 • 10:30 a.m.

Las Vegas Valley Watershed Advisory Committee

Jan. 13, 2009 • 3 p.m.

Administrative Study Team

Jan. 15, 2009 • 1 p.m.

Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee

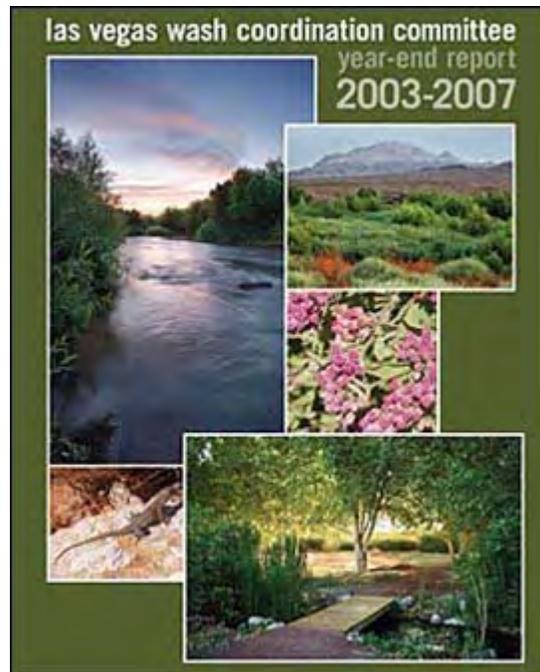
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Wash Year End Report Gets Recognized with Award

The Las Vegas Wash Coordination Committee (LVWCC) was recently acknowledged during the annual Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) Pinnacle Awards ceremony. The LVWCC's [Year-End Report 2003-2007](#), created in collaboration with the Southern Nevada Water Authority, received an Award of Merit in the "Annual Report" category.

The five-year report was recognized for its creative design elements, which increased readability and showcased illustrations and graphs essential in communicating the progress of the LVWCC. The environmental consciousness of the publication was also acknowledged, as it utilized 100-percent post-consumer stock that was produced with certified renewable energy and was Ancient Forest Friendly™ and Forest Stewardship Council certified.

The Pinnacle Awards identify the best public relations programs, tools and professionals in Southern Nevada, Northern Arizona and Southern Utah. The entries are judged by out-of-market, accredited members of PRSA.



New placards help identify the different plants at the Bostick kiosk.

Plant Placards Find Their Place

Although it may be true that a rose by any other name may smell as sweet, most people would really like to know the name of the rose. The Bostick kiosk has been adorned with many beautiful plants that have helped attract many visitors to the site to learn more about the Las Vegas Wash. Until now, none of those plants were labeled. But thanks to experienced botanists and funds from the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection, placards have been installed throughout the kiosk identifying both the common and scientific names of the represented native plants.