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**SMUD EXHIBITION FEATURES ARTWORK FROM
BREATHE CALIFORNIA OF SACRAMENTO – EMIGRANT
TRAILS 3RD ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL ART CONTEST**

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WHAT: SMUD “Take Action! Care For Your Air” Art Exhibition
featuring contest entries and award winners of Breathe
California of Sacramento – Emigrant Trail’s 3rd Annual High
School Art Contest

WHERE: SMUD, 6301 S Street (near 65th Street), Sacramento, CA

WHEN: JUNE 3 – July 29, 2010
RECEPTION: THURSDAY, JULY 1, 2010
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Gallery hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Cost: Free

Sacramento, CA—*Take Action! Care For Your Air* opens at the SMUD Art Gallery, 6301 S Street, Sacramento on Friday, June 4, 2010. The public is invited to meet the artists at a FREE reception on Thursday, July 1, 2010, from 4 to 6 p.m.

The exhibition features artwork by 35 Sacramento Area High School Students. The students competed in Breathe California of Sacramento – Emigrant Trail’s 3rd Annual High School Art Contest. This year’s award winners were selected by California State University Sacramento Art Professor, Phil Hitchcock and Art Institute of California, Sacramento Professor, Dan Herrera.

Each contestant created Paintings, drawings, mixed media, and graphic design works in keeping with the theme *Take Action! Care For Your Air*.

Breathe California of Sacramento – Emigrant Trails is a non-profit agency dedicated to healthy air and preventing lung and other air-pollution related

diseases by partnering with youth, advocating public policy, supporting air pollution research, and educating the public.

The Art in Public Places Program was established by the City and County of Sacramento to provide visual art experiences in public locations through a percent-for-art program which reserves a portion of construction dollars from City, County or Redevelopment projects for public art.

The SMUD Art Gallery is a partnership between the Sacramento Municipal Utility District and the Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission with additional funding from the City and County of Sacramento.

The Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission is devoted to supporting, promoting and advocating for the arts in the region. For further information on programs and opportunities through the Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission go to: www.sacmetroarts.org. SMAC is funded by the City and County of Sacramento.

AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW: Lorrie Kempf, Art in Public Places Program Assistant.
