



Chino Basin Water Conservation District

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ACWA/JPIA

H.R. La Bounty Safety Award Program

Dear ACWA/ JPIA:

The Chino Basin Water Conservation District (District) is proud to submit its nomination for its staff for the Spring/Fall 2013 H.R. La Bounty Safety Award Program. The District is a small nonprofit governmental agency with 12 employees which prides itself in its ongoing safety programs and record.

The District's submission is an innovative mechanical fabrication. The mechanical device which was fabricated can be described as a 'Hybrid' forklift which is designed to fit on the tractor's hydraulic system. Because of the expense of purchasing a standard forklift and the necessity to move heavy and bulky objects, staff began to think of ways to have a forklift without spending thousands of dollars.

The tractor seemed to be a logical means to move things but attaching a forklift proved challenging. After a few brainstorming meetings, staff visited a local forklift surplus yard. With a few sketches and ideas, a fork lift apparatus was purchased off of a used forklift. A trip to the welding shop for some cutting and pasting and the District had its 'Hybrid'.

The innovative lift has proven invaluable as it is able to move trash bins, transport boulders, and equipment. It is clear that this lift expedites maintenance activities, assists with special landscape projects and relieves staff of dangerous lifting and moving of heavy objects.

The District feels this safety innovation is one that many members within JPIA could benefit from. The total cost was approximately \$1,000.00, much less than a standard forklift purchase. In advance thank you for your consideration of the District's nomination for the Spring/Fall 2013 Safety Award Program.

Sincerely,

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Agency: Chino Basin Water Conservation Distict

Employee Nominated:

Name: CBWCD Staff

Job Classification: Maintenance

Reason for Nomination: Unique innovation

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Signature: 

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