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BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS TO RECOGNIZE BUREAU OF ENGINEERING CONTEST PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

LOS ANGELES (July 19, 2007)— The City of Los Angeles Board of Public Works will recognize Bureau of Engineering's (BOE) High School Technical Competition program and the staff who have worked to make this year's contest a success during their regular meeting on Friday, July 20 at 9:30 a.m. in City Hall room 350.

The program focused this year on the Sixth Annual Regional Bridge Building Competition, held in early March at California State University, Los Angeles. The winners of this contest went on to compete at the 2007 International Bridge Building contest held in Chicago in late April.

The contest encourages students to design, construct, and test the most efficient bridge within designated specifications. The Bureau of Engineering supplied basswood kits and technical presentations to assist students in preparing for the contest.

The Board will present certificates of appreciation to the BOE mentors, representatives of the Metropolitan Los Angeles Branch of the American Society of Civil Engineers who partner with the City for this program, staff and students from Cal State L.A.'s Civil Engineering Department who hosted the event, local engineering firms who sponsor the program, and the winning students and their teachers.

The five-commissioner Board of Public Works manages the Department of Public Works, the City's third largest municipal division. The department oversees the construction, renovation, and operation of public projects such as municipal buildings, streets, bridges, street lights, water treatment plants, sewers and sidewalks, and provides essential public services like recycling and solid waste management.

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