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## **“The Great Dallas Fix a Leak Roundup” results in big water savings** *Effort will save an estimated 2.3 million gallons of water annually*

(March 19, 2010-Dallas, Texas) Officials with City of Dallas Water Utilities today announced water savings estimates resulting from “The Great Dallas Fix a Leak Roundup,” held as part of national *Fix a Leak Week*.

Plumbers repaired water leaks and replaced plumbing fixtures in 109 Dallas homes during “The Great Dallas Fix a Leak Roundup.” Dallas Water Utilities officials estimate these repairs will save approximately 2.3 million gallons of water each year from our area supplies and an average annual savings of 20,707 gallons per home in each of the participating homes -- enough water to serve the average Dallas family for three months.

Dallas has assisted qualified, low income residents with minor plumbing repairs for several years as part of the City’s water conservation efforts. This year, the Environment Protection Agency’s (EPA) WaterSense® Program selected City of Dallas Water Utilities to spotlight its national *Fix a Leak Week*. The national program is a reminder to all Americans to check household plumbing fixtures and irrigation systems for leaks that can account for more than 1 trillion gallons of water wasted each year in U.S. homes.

“Conserving water is the cheapest way to help provide water for our citizens and our customers in neighboring cities,” said Jody Puckett, City of Dallas Water Utilities Director. “Not only does repairing leaks help reduce monthly water bills for customers, it is an important part of our water conservation efforts,” Puckett added.

Lowe’s, 2009 WaterSense® Retail Partner of the Year, provided support to help make the *Fix a Leak Week* event in Dallas a success by coordinating with their WaterSense® toilet and faucet vendors for the much needed product donations and assisted with the delivery of the products. Fixtures and other replacement parts were generously donated by Kohler Co. - 2009 WaterSense® Manufacturer Partner of the Year, American Valve, Plumb Pak, Whirlpool, Watts, Korky and Fluidmaster.

To learn more water-saving tips and information on the City’s conservation efforts, visit [www.SaveDallasWater.com](http://www.SaveDallasWater.com) and [www.GreenDallas.net](http://www.GreenDallas.net)

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