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**HIGH SCHOOL PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS HIGHLIGHT THE IMPORTANCE AND BEAUTY OF WATER****Mailing address:**

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Chula Vista, CA – Twelve local high school students were honored for their award-winning photographs at the Sweetwater Authority (Authority) Board Meeting on May 11. The winners were selected from a group of 65 students from high schools across the South Bay who submitted over 150 entries for the Authority’s High School Photo Contest.

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“The Board is proud to support this annual contest, which helps draw attention to water as an essential and precious resource,” said Board Chair Alejandra Sotelo-Solis. “We are continually amazed by the talent and photography skills of students in our service area.”

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The following students took top honors:

**General Manager:**

Carlos Quintero

**Color Category:**

1st Place: Ashley Monroy, Hilltop High School, Grade 12  
2nd Place: Huynh Hoang, Bonita Vista High School, Grade 12  
3rd Place: Guadalupe Estrada, Chula Vista High School, Grade 11

**Assistant General Manager:**

Jennifer Sabine

**Black & White Category:**

1st Place: Skyler Yowakim, Bonita Vista High School, Grade 9  
2nd Place: Andres Cornejo, Chula Vista High School, Grade 11  
3rd Place: Joaquin Angulo, Hilltop High School, Grade 12

**Governing Board:**

Alejandra Sotelo-Solis, Chair  
Paulina Martinez-Perez, Vice Chair  
Josie Calderon-Scott  
Steve Castaneda  
Hector Martinez  
Jose Preciado  
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Honorable Mentions were awarded to six additional students for their outstanding submissions.

The winning photos are displayed at [www.sweetwater.org/photocontest2022](http://www.sweetwater.org/photocontest2022), and at a special exhibit at the Bonita Museum & Cultural Center.

*Sweetwater Authority is a public water agency providing safe, reliable water to National City, Chula Vista and Bonita.*

