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AUBURN -- Directors of the Placer County Water Agency on Thursday (Oct. 18) approved the annexation of 38.24 acres west of Roseville where the Dry Creek Joint Elementary School District plans a new middle school.

Located in PCWA Zone 1, the school site is along Cook Riolo Road south of Vineyard Road. It is situated within an area where the California American Water Company provides retail water service. PCWA will supply wholesale water to the water retailer.

Along with the annexation request, PCWA directors accepted environmental studies for the school site and approved California American's request for a water supply of 25 EDUs (equivalent dwelling units), or about 16 acre-feet of water per year.

In other business, directors:

- approved a subsequent environmental impact report for the proposed Foothill Raw Water Supply Project. The project, designed to distribute American River water in western Placer County, includes three pipelines beneath Ophir Road where road closures and noise issues are anticipated. The project is planned to begin construction in two to three years.

- heard an update from Director of Field Services Mike Nichol on the current PCWA/PG&E canal maintenance outage. Nichol said recent rains have reduced demand for water and have lessened the impacts of the outage on canal water customers. The weather has not affected canal maintenance work, which is ahead of schedule, he said.

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- acknowledged Ryan McCarthy and his colleagues with the Water Education Foundation for their work in preparing PCWA's recently-released 50th Anniversary book, "A Heritage of Water: The Golden Anniversary of the Placer County Water Agency, 1957-2007."

- presented copies of the new book to Toni Fonseca of Dutch Flat, daughter of the late Placer County writer Janet Dunbar Fonseca, who wrote the original "A Heritage of Water" to commemorate the agency's 20th anniversary in 1977.

The next regular meeting of the PCWA Board of Directors will be held at 2 p.m. on Nov. 1 at the PCWA Business Center, 144 Ferguson Road, in Auburn. PCWA board meetings are open to the public.

Information on PCWA board meetings may be obtained through the Clerk to the Board at (530) 823-4850.