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### **Merced Irrigation District Now Online**

#### **Website to Educate Public About District's Resources and Progress**

MERCED, Calif. – If you want to know about what's happening with the Merced Irrigation District, now all you have to do is log onto the Internet.

MID has published a Website that highlights the District's many activities, including irrigation, recreation, power production and delivery, and canal safety programs.

The site can be found at: <http://www.mercedid.org>

"Our Website is another tool for the public to learn about MID," explained Robert Blum, Director of Administrative Services. "Our goal is to provide current, useful information, not only for the public, but for our growers as well."

Visitors to the site can learn facts and figures about MID's past, present and future. The site also includes a media center to allow news reporters and other interested parties an opportunity to review press releases distributed by the District. Other features of the site include an E-mail link allowing visitors to electronically communicate with MID, and links to other informational and related Internet sites.

"MID is involved in a number of activities many people may not be aware of," Blum said. "For example, we own and operate beautiful recreational facilities at Lake McClure and Lake McSwain. And this past summer, we conducted a canal safety program to teach people of all ages the dangers of irrigation canals. All of this information can be found on our Website."

Blum said the Website will be updated on a regular basis to ensure current information is available.