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STORM WATER POLLUTION AND SOLUTIONS POSTER and ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED

The winners of the poster and essay contest, “Non-point Source Storm Water Pollution and Solutions” were announced at the 10th Annual Storm Water Poster and Essay Awards Banquet on April 22, 2010 at the Jefferson Parish East Bank Regional Library.

The contest and banquet, hosted by the Jefferson Parish Department of Environmental Affairs and funded with corporate donations, was developed to raise public awareness of non-point source pollution. Non-point sources, such as leakage of automotive fluids, illicit disposal of paints/solvents, overuse of fertilizers and pesticides, pet wastes, etc., entering the drainage system comprise one of the primary causes of storm water pollution.

The annual contest is open to all Jefferson Parish students in grades 3 through 8. The 3rd through 6th graders submitted posters, and the 7th and 8th graders submitted essays. The students depicted or described at least one source of non-point source pollution and presented potential solutions. Jennifer Roberts with the Bayou Land Resource Conservation and Development Council spoke to the students about the impact of non-point source pollution on overall watershed.

Winning posters are currently on display at the Jefferson Parish East Bank Regional Library located at 4747 West Napoleon Ave., in Metairie. In June, they will be displayed at the West Bank Regional Library located at 2751 Manhattan Blvd. in Harvey.

For information or for photographs of the event, please call Scott Finney at 731-4612.

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