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COUNCILWOMAN GREUEL FIXES VALLEY STREETS FOLLOWING RECORD RAINFALL

"Pothole Queen" Pledges Funds, Urges Residents to Call 311 to Report Potholes

(LOS ANGELES) – Continuing her efforts to deliver the basic City services to her Valley constituents that all Angelenos deserve, Councilwoman Wendy Greuel launched an effort to fill all of the new potholes created by the recent rains

“These potholes create dangerous driving conditions and cost Angelenos hundreds of dollars a year,” said Councilwoman Greuel. “I want to make sure that we are delivering the basic city services the public deserves and that the Valley gets its fair share of city resources.”

Los Angeles has been pummeled with over 8 inches of rain in the last week, causing hundreds of new potholes to develop Citywide and creating dangerous driving conditions.

“I’m pledging my own money to make sure every pothole identified in my district will be filled as quickly as possible,” said Councilwoman Greuel. “I’m asking everyone to call 3-1-1 to report any pothole they see, and that City crews will fill them within 48 hours of being reported.”

Councilwoman Greuel pledged any additional funds necessary to the Bureau of Street Services to expedite the filling of any potholes in her Valley district. Councilwoman Greuel urged Angelenos to call 311 to report any pothole they see, so City workers can fill the pothole within 48 hours. Since the rain began almost a week ago, nearly 1,000 calls have been placed to 311 reporting potholes.

The poor condition of Los Angeles' streets contributes to commuters' cost of driving, with the average motorist in Los Angeles spending an additional \$671 per year due to driving on roads in poor condition.

Since taking office in 2002, Councilwoman Greuel has made the delivery of basic City services a priority for her Valley district. During her 5 years in office, Councilwoman Greuel has:

Potholes filled: 100,505
Miles of street repaved: 102.03 miles
Trees trimmed: 17,635
Trash removed: 41,204 tons of illegal dumping
Sidewalks repaired: 33.50 miles

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