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**—PRESS RELEASE—**

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Rim of the World Unified School District is pleased to announce the completion of its Compressed Natural Gas facility located at the Transportation Facility, 27380 State Highway 18, Lake Arrowhead. The facility is adjacent to Rim of the World High School on SH 18.

Chris Jennison, Director of Administrative Services, stated, "This is a top-notch modern facility that supports clean air and protects our mountain environment." Superintendent Ms. Donna Kellogg also shared, "Not only is this new facility providing resources for cleaner air for our students, it shows that we are committed to enhancing our beautiful mountain environment."

Collaborating with the South Coast Air Quality Management District ("AQMD") and Clean Transportation Funding from Mobile Source Air Pollution Reduction Review Committee ("MSRC"), the school district has been able to modernize the transportation facility, construct a Compressed Natural Gas slow-fill station and receive fourteen (14) CNG buses through various grants. "This has come as a tremendous savings to the school district especially during difficult budget times," stated Ms. Jenny Haberlin, Director of Business Services.



Garage upgrades for ROWSD



A new lift accommodates new CNG vehicles

As outlined in the specifications for both the MSRC and AQMD Grants, the District staff met with Mr. David Bell, Pjhm Architects, and Mr. David Ruiz, Tilden-Coil Contractors, to design and construct the modifications to the garage facility. "The project scope required to comply with the AQMD/MSRC Grants met the most stringent requirements," stated Mr. Bell.

In addition to redesigning the garage to accommodate the newer and longer CNG buses, the specifications called for the following changes:

- \* Removal of existing interior stairs and replacing them with ships-ladder to access the upstairs
- \* Replacement of doors and windows with new 4-hour fire rated metal doors and frames
- \* Installation of new closed-loop infrared gas catalytic heaters
- \* Installation of new roof exhaust fans, connected to a gas detection system
- \* Installation of a new gas detection/alarm/automatic shut off system
- \* Installation of new lift system to accommodate CNG buses and vehicles

Additionally, a newly designed and fortified roof was constructed. These improvements are the first significant changes made to the facility since it was built in 1952. "With these improvements to the garage, a CNG fueling station and the addition of fourteen (14) new buses, we have made significant strides in making our transportation facility one of the safest and greenest in the area." concluded Mr. Jennison. The price of the garage modifications came to \$500k.

Ms. Donna Kellogg and Mr. Jennison would like to encourage any interested community members to call (909) 336-4100 to make an appointment to tour the new updated facility.



14 New CNG buses for ROWUSD



New CNG station for ROWUSD

Approval for release:

Donna Kellogg 4/18/14  
Donna Kellogg, Superintendent Date