



## MEDIA ALERT

**WHAT:** OC Water Summit—Water Under the Microscope

Water issues such as droughts, conservation mandates, strict environmental protections, water quality problems, severe storms, flooding, extreme weather, and increased water rates are making a greater impact on households and businesses. This prompts more interest and sometimes scrutiny and distrust of the water industry by consumers and the media.

Join us for the **12th Annual Orange County Water Summit** as we focus on the many facets of water management and take a closer look at the challenges and competing interests shaping local, state, national, and even international water supplies. One of the heightened topics of interest making headlines, PFOA and PFOS, will be covered on a panel this year by local and state water experts.

**WHO:** The Summit is hosted by the **Orange County Water District, Municipal Water District of Orange County and Disneyland Resort**. A dynamic program has been planned featuring experts such as:

- **Master of Ceremonies Fritz Coleman**  
Weathercaster, NBC4
- **The Honorable Alan Lowenthal**  
United States Congressman, 47<sup>th</sup> District
- **Darrin Polhemus**  
Deputy Director, State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water
- **Willem Swart**  
2018 X-Prize winner
- **Jill Farrant**  
Professor of Molecular and Cell Biology at the University of Cape Town, South Africa

*\*View the complete 2019 [program](#)*

**WHEN:** 8:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., Friday, May 31, 2019

**WHERE:** Disney's Grand Californian Hotel and Spa, 1600 South Disneyland Drive, Anaheim, CA 92802

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