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### Palmdale Lifeguards Once Again Attain “World Class” Lifeguarding Score

PALMDALE – The City of Palmdale’s lifeguard team received a score of 95 from the National Aquatic Safety Company (NASCO) after the organization conducted a lifeguard inspection in June at DryTown Water Park.

“A score of 70 is considered to be ‘World Class,’ and our lifeguards scored an incredible 97,” said Palmdale’s Director of Recreation and Culture Keri Smith.

The Palmdale lifeguards achieved their rating after being evaluated for scanning time (how quickly and accurately the water surface is viewed), appearance (indicates that the lifeguard is prepared with proper equipment), and posture (rescue ready stance).

“This is the 15<sup>th</sup> time our lifeguards have achieved a ‘World Class’ score,” Smith said. “We couldn’t be prouder of our lifeguard team. They take what they do very seriously and train and study hard to give our families the very best and safest experience at DryTown and our pools.”

NASCO performs inspections at hundreds of water park facilities through the United States each year, and is recognized as a leader and innovator in the safety procedures for aquatics and amusement park facilities.

For more information about Palmdale’s lifeguard program, contact the recreation and culture department at 267-5611.