



TAKING THE LEED . . . The LA County Board of Supervisors recently congratulated the Public Works Department for achieving Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Certification from the U.S. Green Building Council. Public Works' Alhambra Headquarters tower became the first preexisting County building to achieve Gold Certification for building improvements that included more efficient air filters, a Green Cleaning Entryway System, new plumbing fixtures, gas and water meters, and CO2 sensors in the conference rooms. The improvements resulted in a 15 percent reduction in energy consumption. Public Works Assistant Deputy Director Jose Quevedo

said a fundamental goal of LEED is to maximize operational efficiency while minimizing environmental impacts. "This goal is in direct alignment with the Department's Sustainability Value, and LEED Gold Certification acknowledges the Department's commitment" Quevedo said. Additionally, at the recent Municipal Green Building Conference and Expo, the U.S. Green Building Council - Los Angeles Chapter, acknowledged the Department's accomplishment by bestowing their special award of recognition. Pictured during the ceremony are LA County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, Chairman; LA County Public Works Director Gail Farber; and Jose Quevedo.

