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(707) 576-2220

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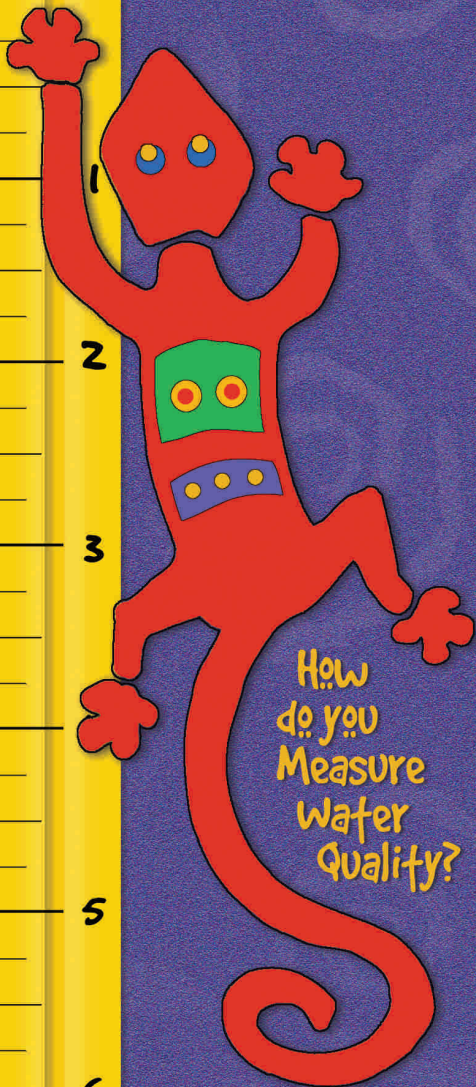
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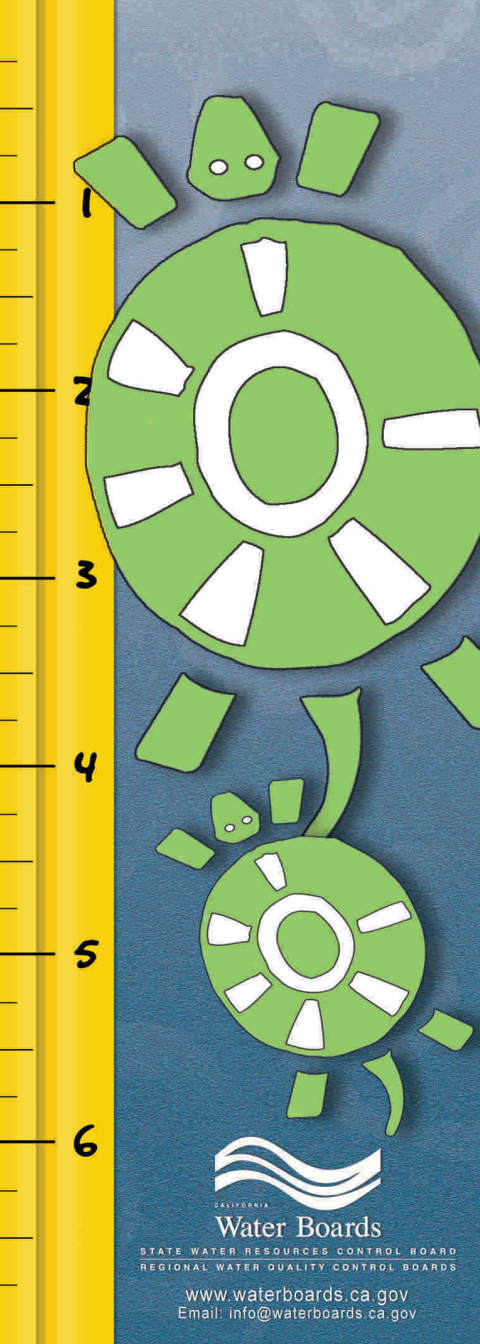
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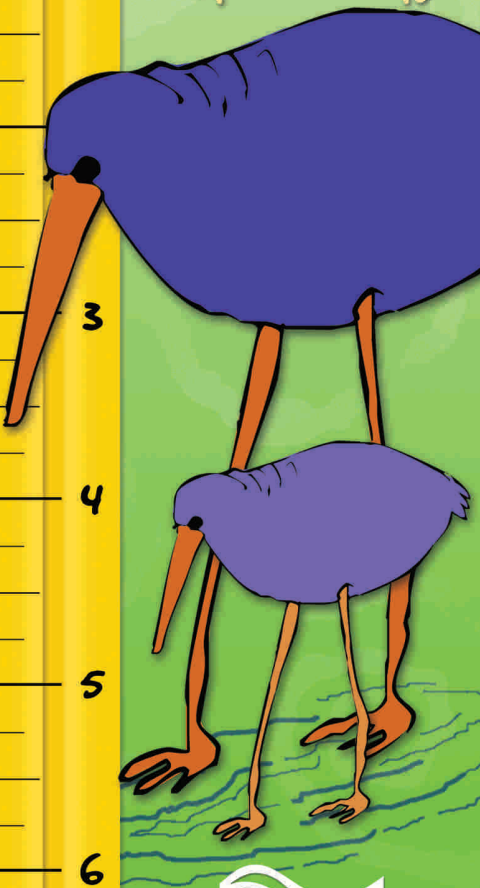
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