THE INLAND EMPIRE STATE WATER PROJECT

A Robust Water Grid Driving the Inland Empire's Economic Growth and Quality of Life

California's Inland Empire wouldn't be the same without the State Water Project (SWP), a foundational network woven into the fabric of the community.

THE SWP PROVIDES

28% of the Inland Empire's average annual water supply

2 Million Inland Empire region residents with high-quality water to run their homes and businesses

700 sq. miles of the Inland Empire with water every day

3,485,000 KWh (Kilowatt Hours) of electricity per year from carbon free hydropower

$452,000 in annual savings due to SWP hydropower electricity generation, keeping the costs of providing water low for rate-payers

The SWP fuels the Inland Empire's booming construction, manufacturing and transportation industries and supports many of the warehouse fulfillment centers that make e-commerce possible for our entire state.

THE SWP SUPPORTS

8,041 Warehouse Facilities throughout Riverside and San Bernardino Counties accounting for over 418 million sq. ft.*

595,000 Jobs in the Inland Empire's construction, manufacturing and transportation industries**

8,800 Acres of Lake Perris State Recreation Area, an SWP reservoir, which sees over 5 million visitors annually for recreation activities like swimming, fishing and horseback riding***

*Southern California Association of Governments Industrial Warehousing Study, 2018

**United State Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2018

***California State Parks, Lake Perris State Recreation Area Brochure, 2016

FRESH WATER THE INLAND EMPIRE CAN RELY ON

Inland Empire legislative districts representing areas that depend on the SWP

Assembly Districts		Senate Districts
AD 33 - Obernolte	AD 55 - Chen	SD 18 - Hertzberg
AD 36 - Lackey	AD 56 - Garcia	SD 20 - Leyva
AD 40 - Ramos	AD 60 - Cervantes	SD 21 - Wilk
AD 41 - Holden	AD 61 - Medina	SD 23 - Morrell
AD 42 - Mayes	AD 67 - Melendez	SD 25 - Portantino
AD 47 - Reyes		SD 29 - Chang
AD 52 - Rodriguez		SD 31 - Roth

The SWP is California's most critical infrastructure and must be maintained for future generations. But, despite the system's significance, it has become easy to not fully appreciate the momentous work being done behind the scenes every day to keep the taps on in the Inland Empire region. ***Just as we should not take for granted our interstate highway, railway, or telecommunication systems, we must not underestimate the important management and operation efforts in place to make the SWP possible for most of California.***

AN IRREPLACEABLE SOURCE OF AFFORDABLE, HIGH-QUALITY WATER

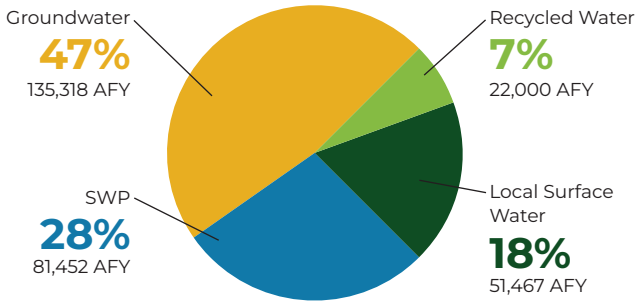
One acre-foot is equivalent to 326,000 gallons, enough water to supply 1-2 households for an entire year. Without the SWP, the Inland Empire region would need to replace 81,452 acre-feet of high-quality water annually to meet regional demand. That's enough water to supply over 54,000 homes for an entire year.

THE STATE WATER PROJECT SYSTEM

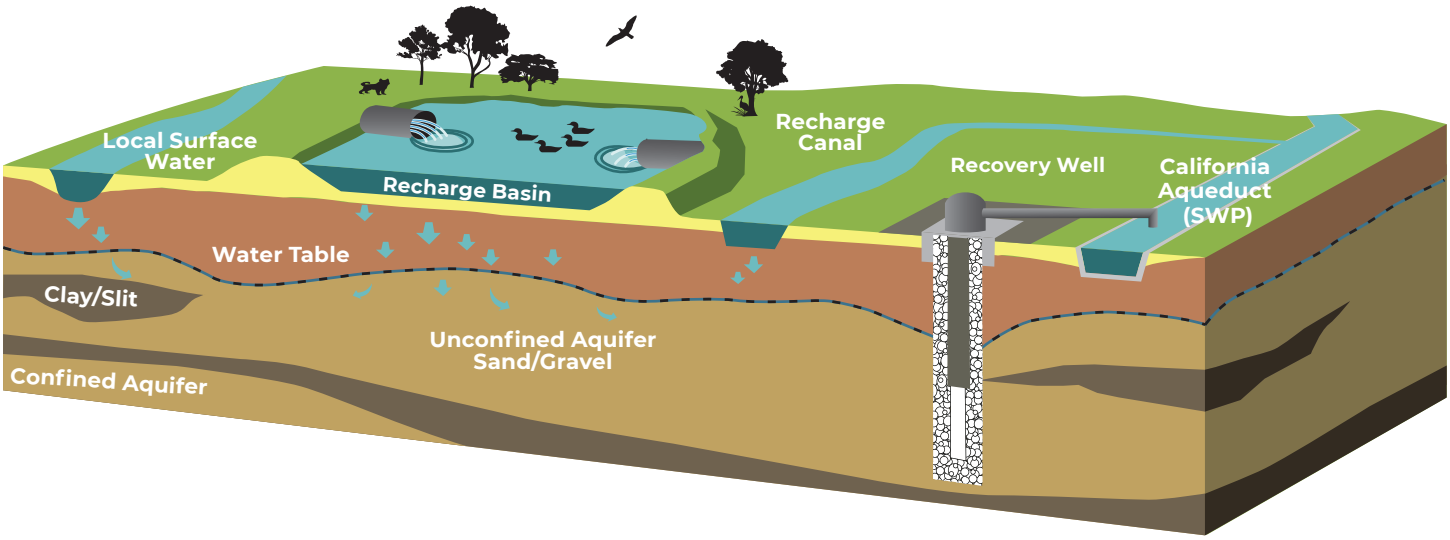
An Important Asset During Drought

The water supplied by the SWP augments a mix of local water supply projects, and helps to recharge the groundwater basins that currently provide the vast majority of the region's supplies. During California's historic five-year 2012-2016 drought, SWP supplies were critical to maintaining a balanced groundwater basin, avoiding severe water use restrictions and meeting local demand.

REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY SOURCES (2015)



THE STATE WATER PROJECT AND GROUNDWATER RECHARGE



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