



CONSISTENTLY BRINGING CLEAN WATER HOME TO YOU

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

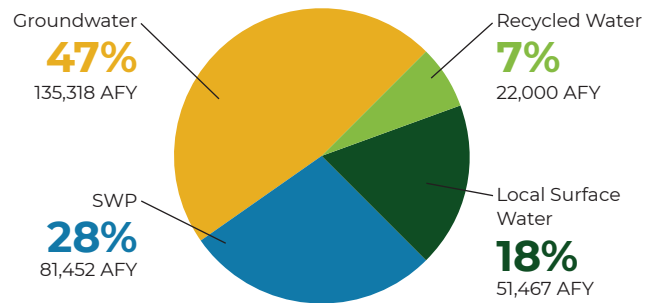
81,452 acre-feet of high-quality water annually to meet regional demand. That's enough water to supply over 54,000 homes for an entire year.

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

