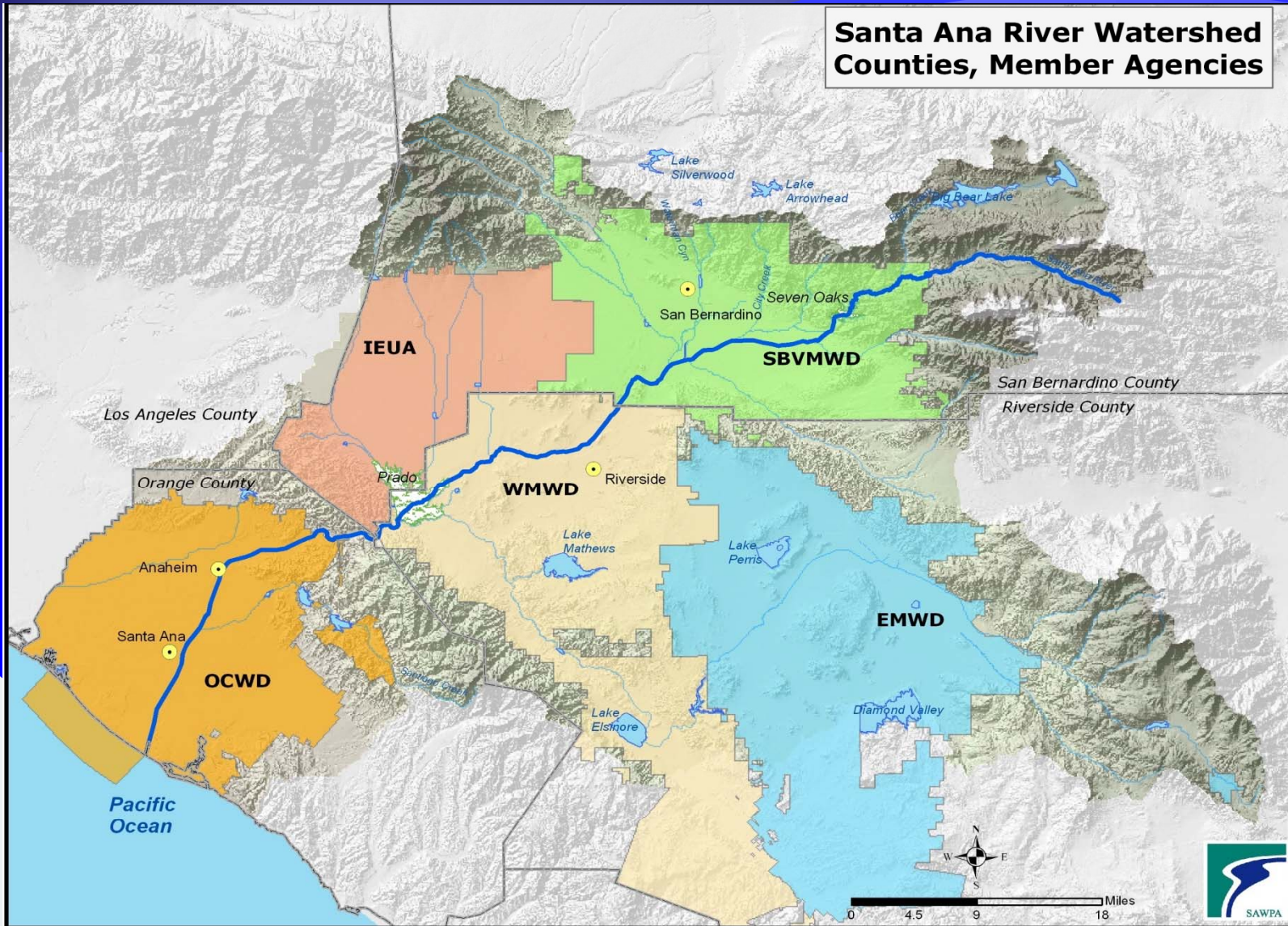


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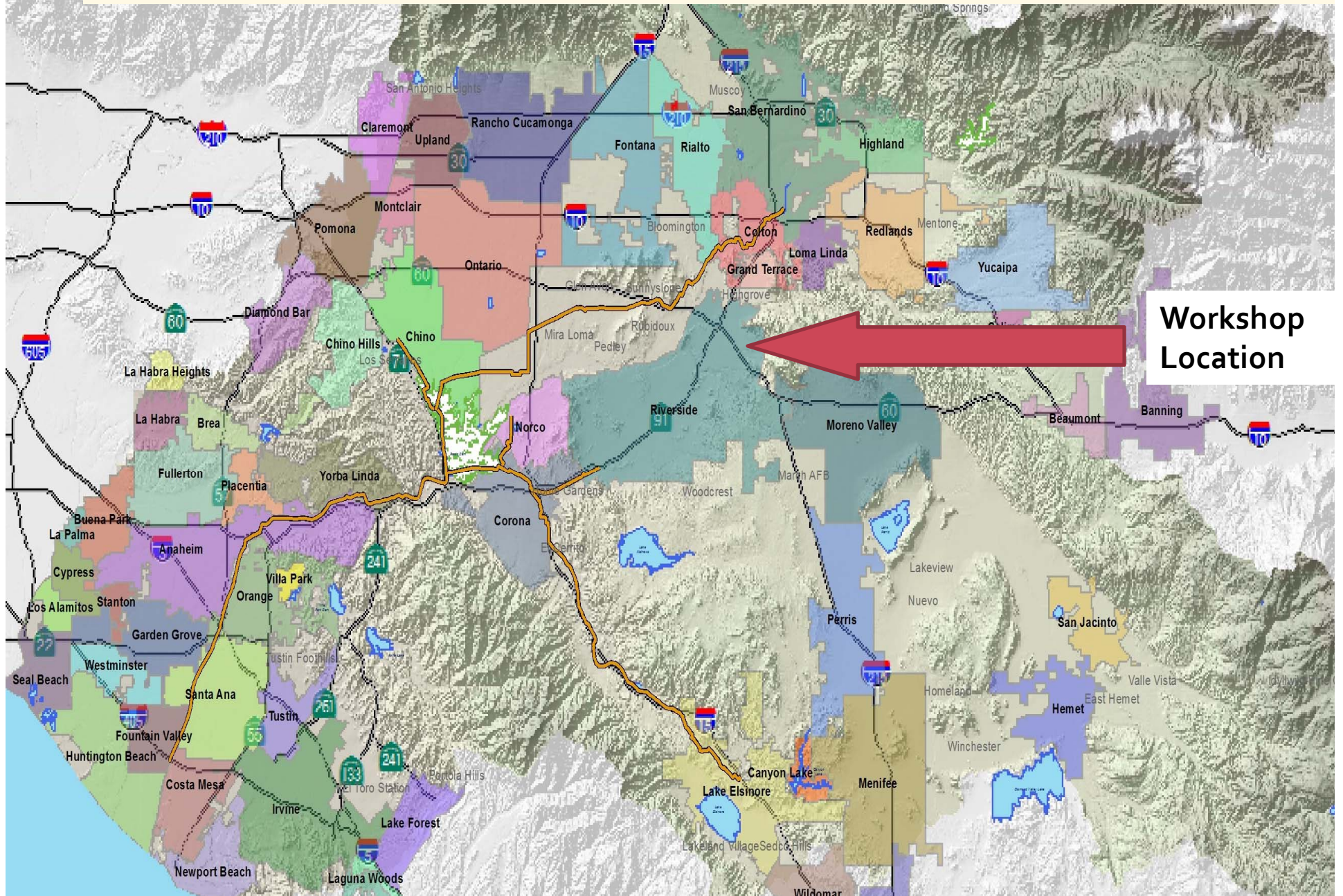
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Planning –
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Southern California Groundwater
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Mark R. Norton PE, LEED AP
February 24, 2012

Who is SAWPA?



You are the hub of the watershed future and sustainability



What will be our legacy?

“This is an opportunity for greatness which has never been offered to any civilization, any generation in any civilization in human history before to act as a generation to do the right thing. If we fail to receive that opportunity, to act on it, then my feeling is that we will become the most vilified generation that has ever lived in human history.”

**Dr. Roger Payne, Ocean Alliance,
President**

Planning for the 4 Horsemen of the Apocalypse



CLIMATE CHANGE

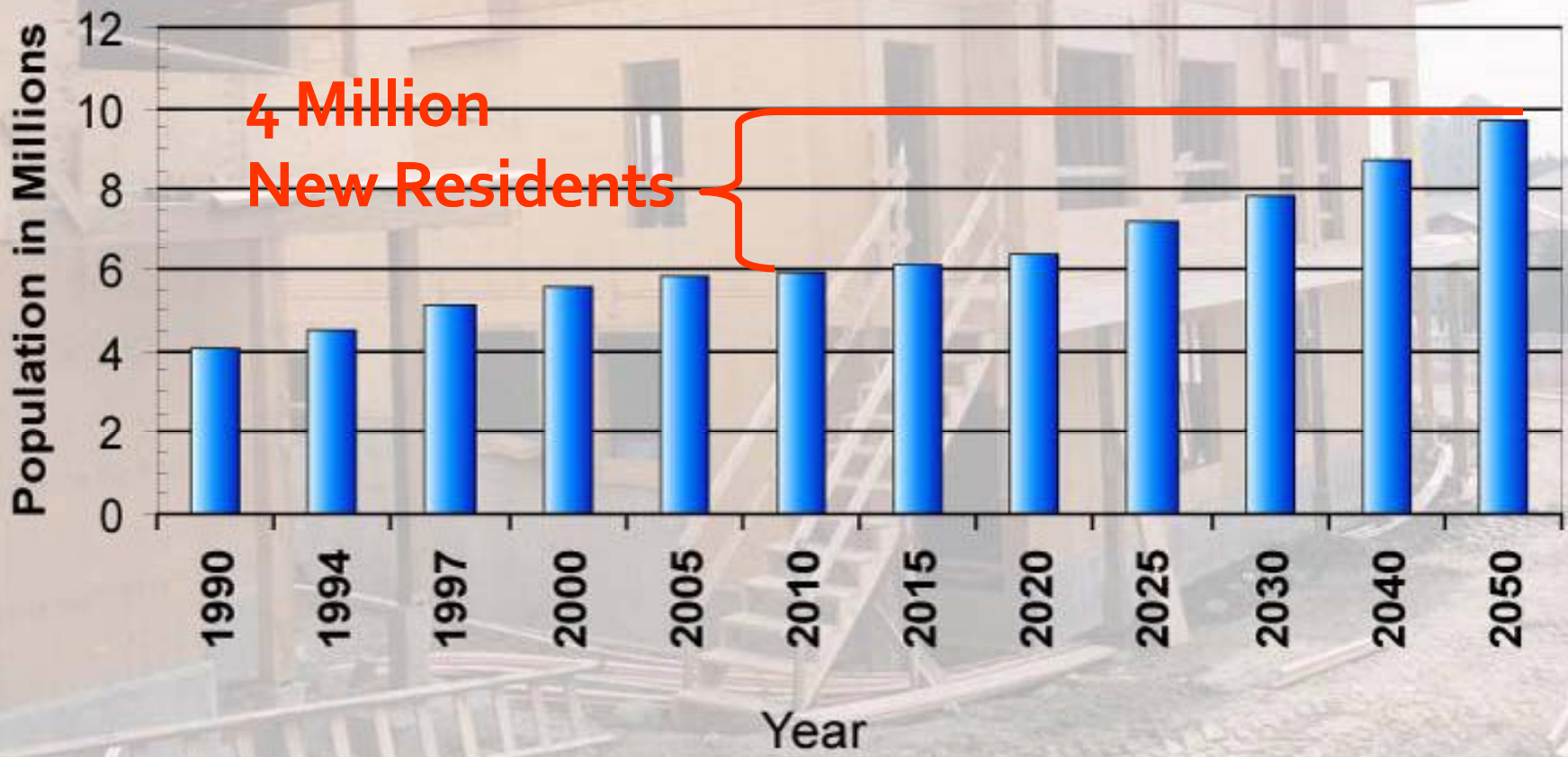
REDUCED WATER FROM DELTA



COLORADO RIVER BASIN DROUGHT

URBAN SPRAWL & POPULATION GROWTH

Santa Ana Watershed Population Projections through 2050



Source: Southern California Association of Governments

SPRAWL: The Number One Threat to Water Sustainability



Colorado River





Danger on the Delta

SLIDE #301104

Responding to
California's Flood Crisis



State of California
The Assembly
Department of Public Safety
January 2010



WATER RELATED IMPACTS OF GLOBAL WARMING



OWOW Vision



A sustainable Santa Ana Watershed that is drought-proofed, salt balanced, and supports economic and environmental vitality in the year 2030



What do we want? Healthy Drinking Water!



We want Healthy Fisheries



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Swimmable Rivers



Productive Agriculture





Water Wise Landscape



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Smart Growth and Low Impact Development



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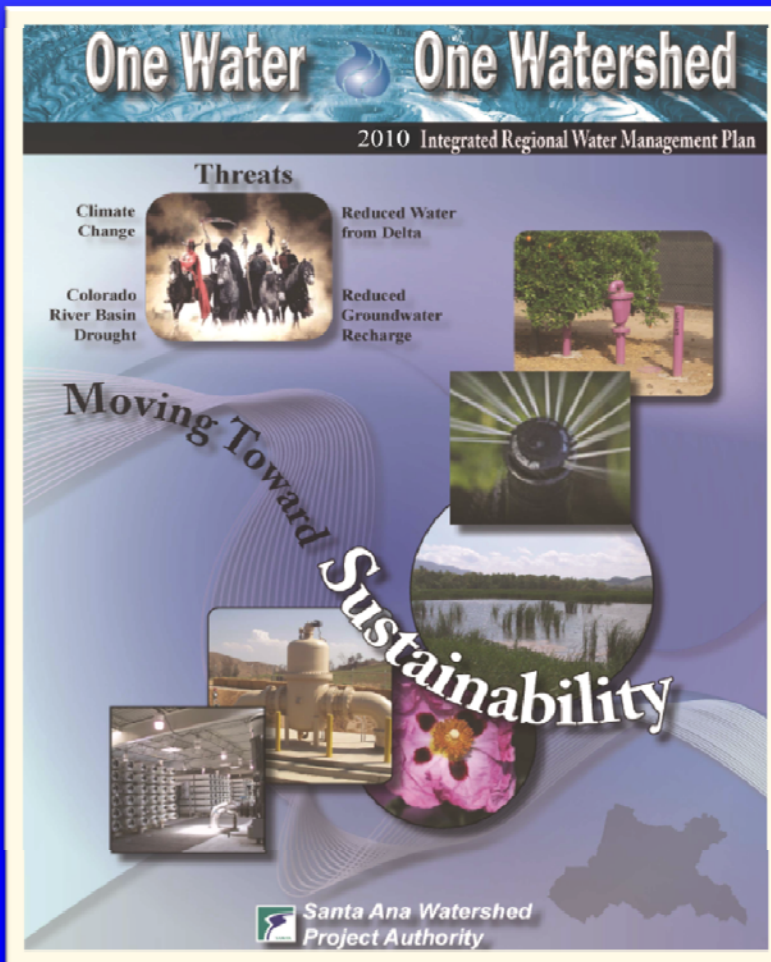
One Water One Watershed: The Promise of IRWMP



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Watershed Level Thinking



OWOW Guiding Principles

1

Create Anew – OWOW shared vision and adopting a new water ethic



2

Collaboration Across Boundaries
Citizens of watershed,
multi-jurisdictional solutions



3

Adopt Systems Approach – Problems are interrelated, seek synergies, create catalysts





The Systems Approach

1

- The Santa Ana River Watershed is a hydrologic whole

2

- Working in concert with nature is cost effective

3

- See each problem as interrelated, seek efficiencies and synergies

OWOW Plan 2.0

Web-based
Tools



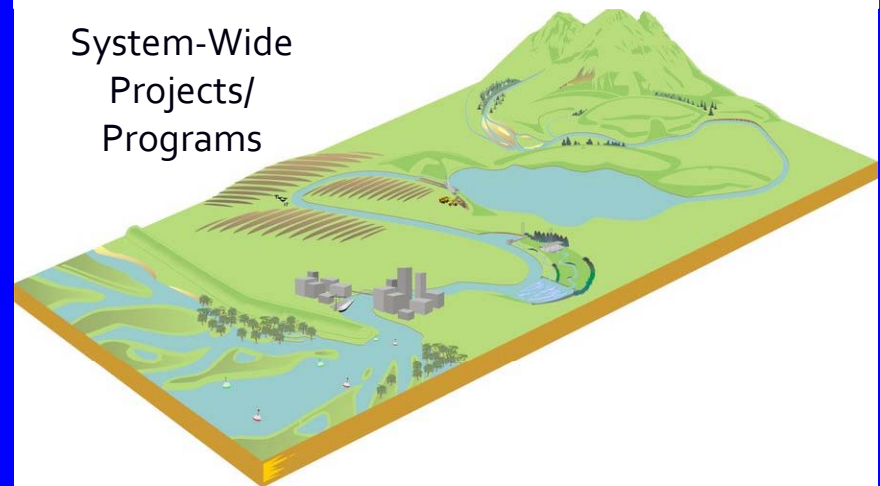
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System-Wide
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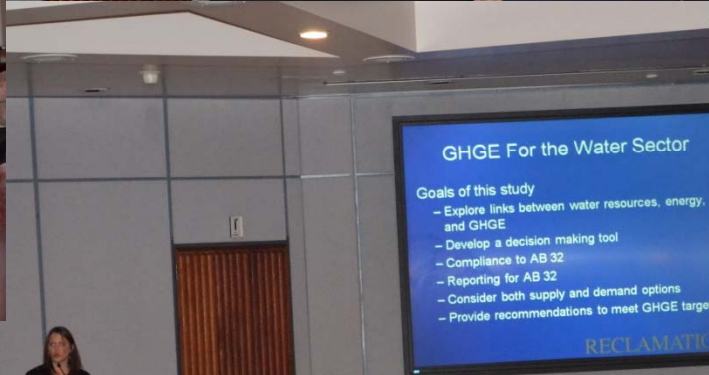
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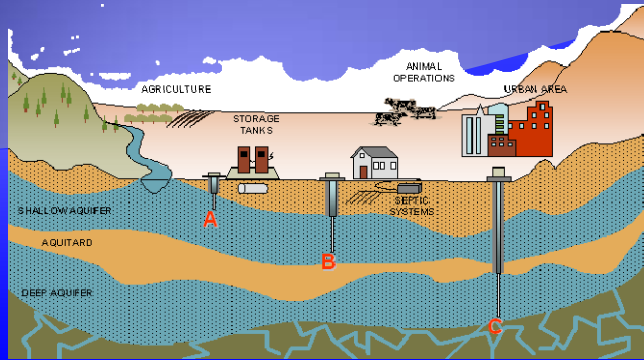
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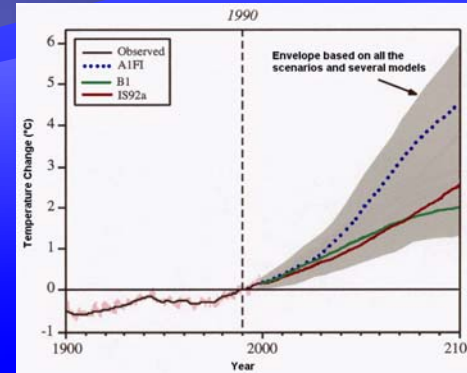
Climate Change Partnership – SAWPA -Reclamation-DWR



OWOW Plan 2.0 - Reclamation Analysis Tasks



Groundwater Level Impacts



Review & Select Climate Change Model Forecast for Watershed



Greenhouse Gas Emission Calculation Tool

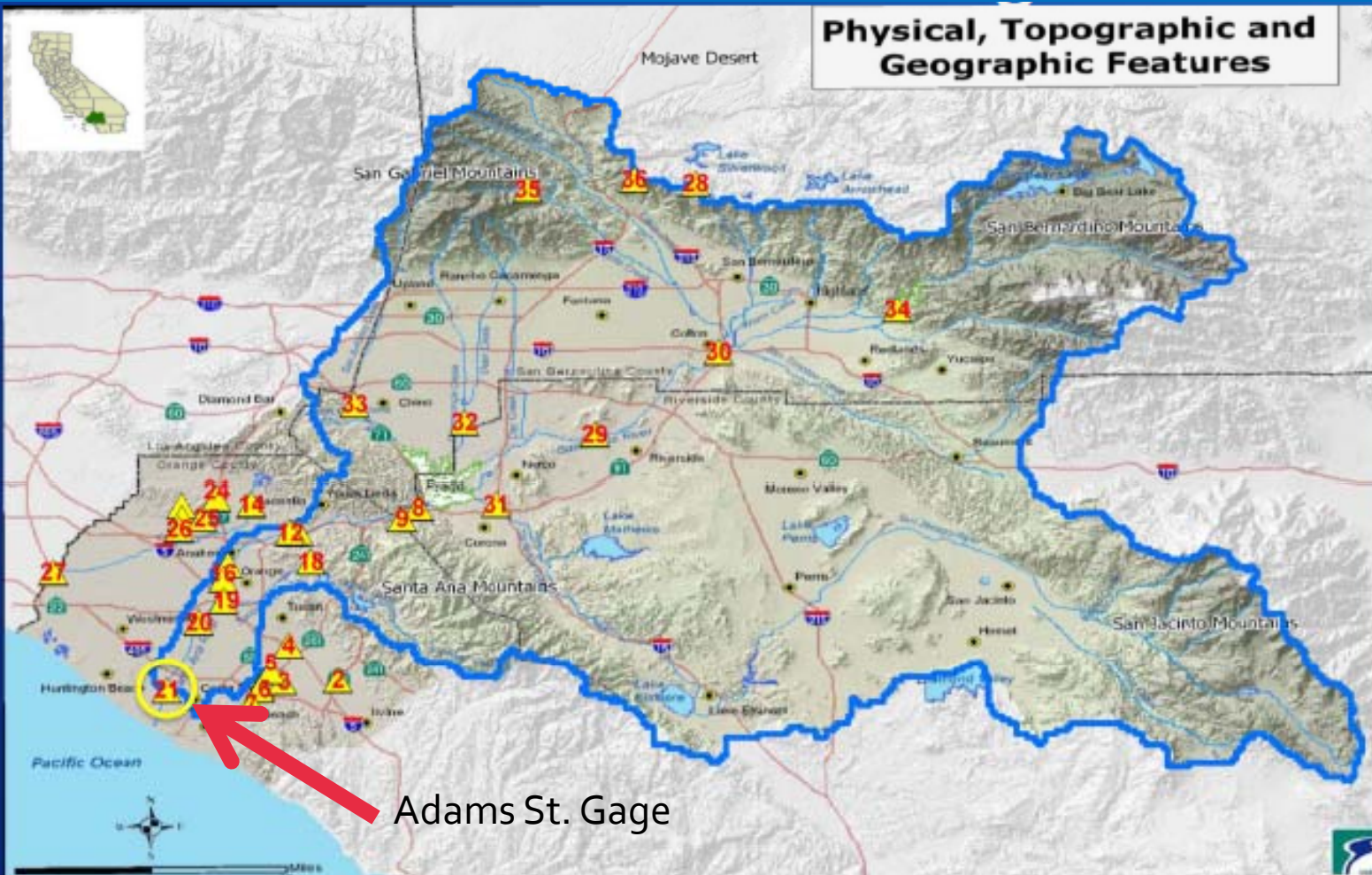


Sea Water Level Rise Impacts



Decision Support Tools to Manage Impacts

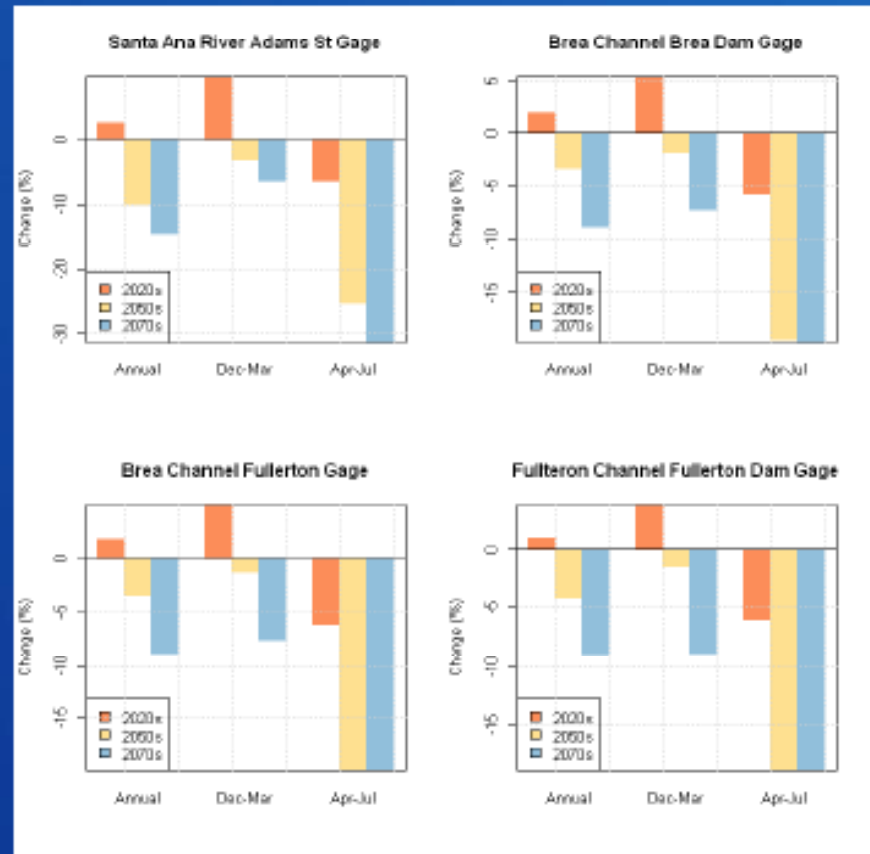
36 Key Locations in Watershed Analyzed For Hydrologic Impacts



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Hydrology Projections Flow Impacts

- Annual and seasonal streamflow impacts
- 2020s – increase in annual runoff and winter (Dec-Mar) runoff, decrease in spring-summer (Apr-Jul) runoff from the 1990s reference
- 2050s – decrease in annual, winter, spring-summer runoff from the 1990s reference
- 2070s - decrease in annual, winter, spring-summer runoff from the 1990s reference



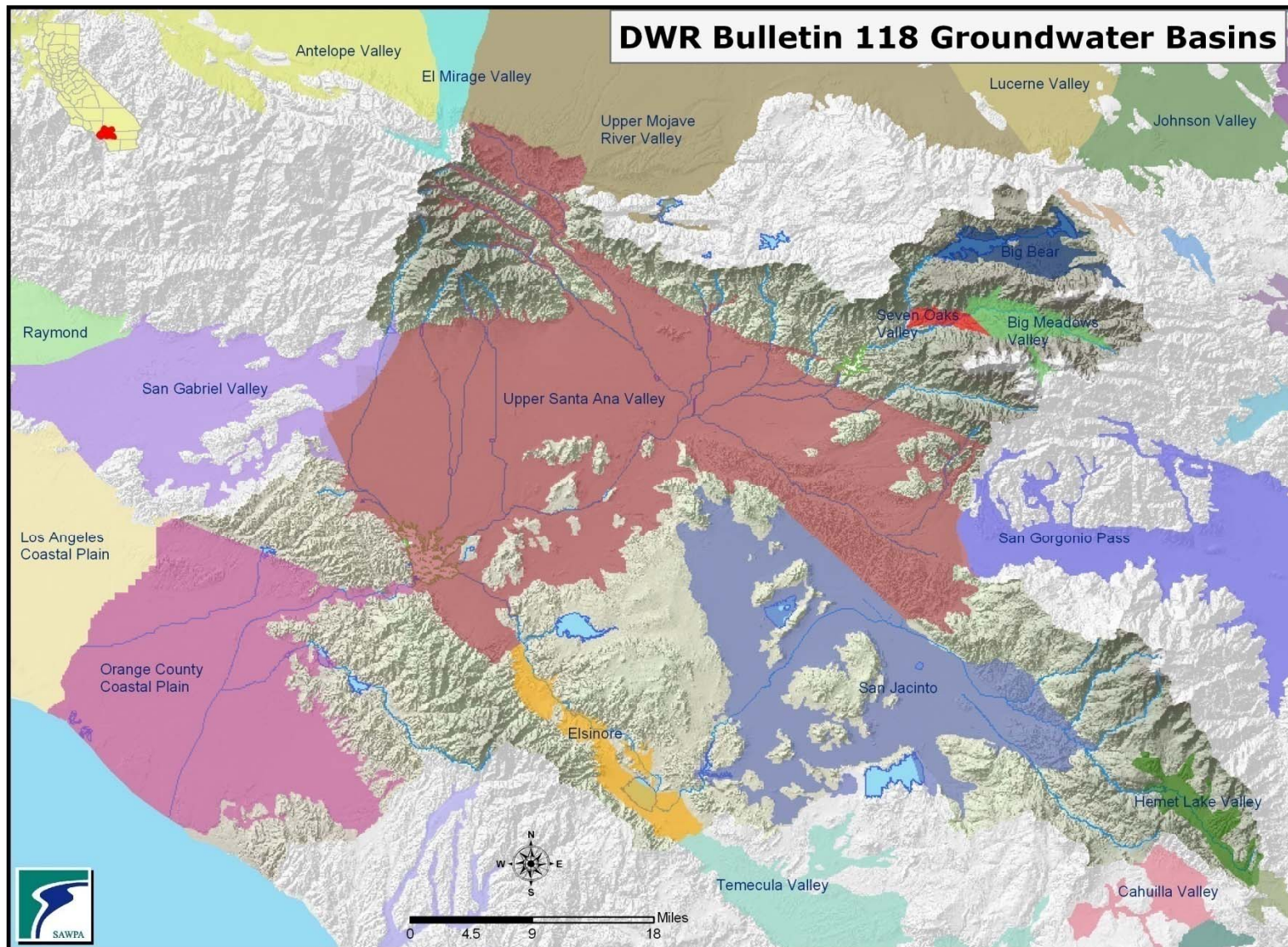
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Summary of Impacts Santa Ana River Adams St. Gage

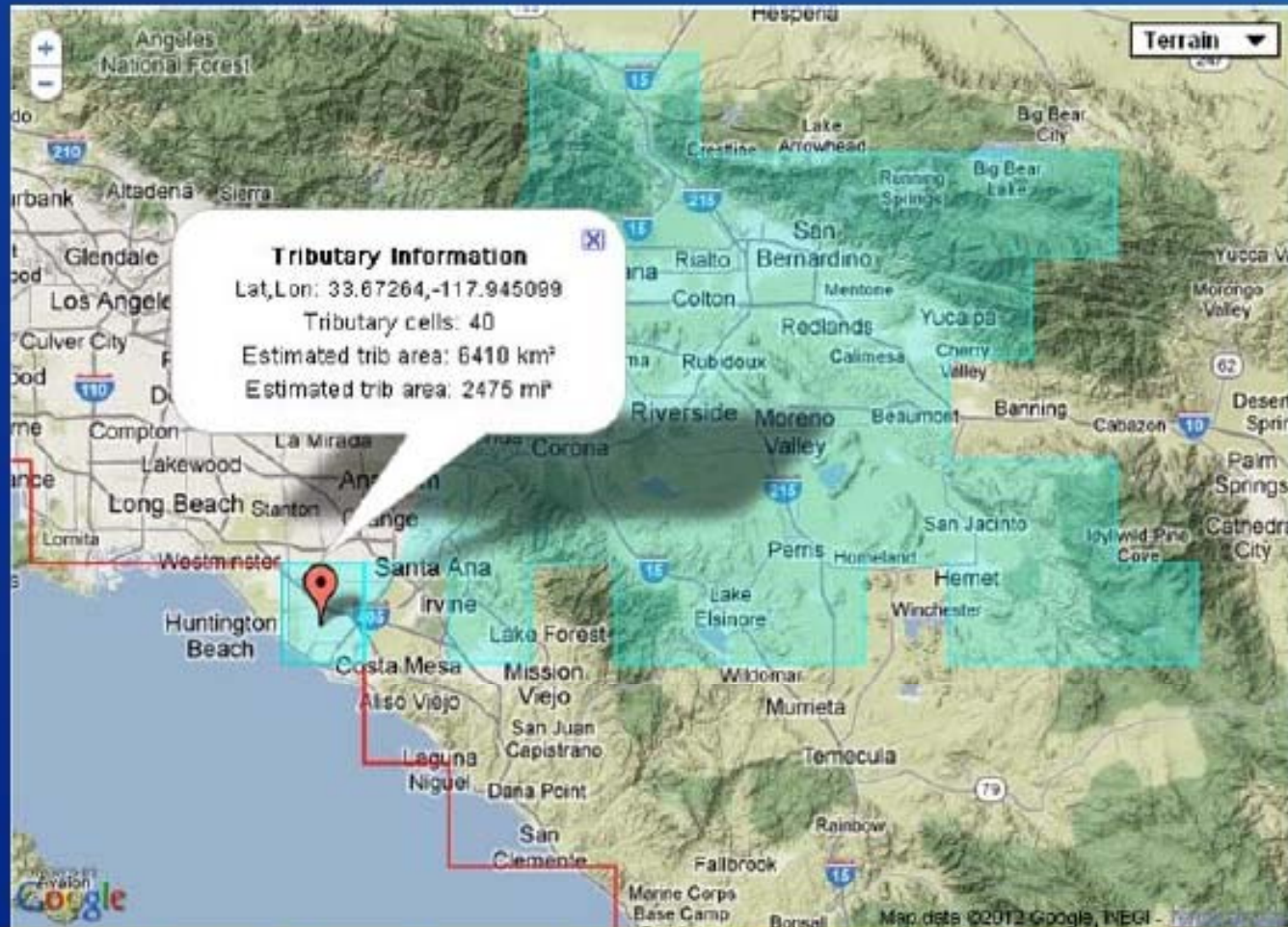
Hydroclimate Metric (change from 1990s)	2020s	2050s	2070s
Precipitation (%)	0.67	-5.41	-8.09
Mean Temperature (deg F)	1.22	3.11	4.10
April 1st SWE (%)	-38.93	-80.40	-93.07
Annual Runoff (%)	2.60	-10.08	-14.61
Dec-Mar Runoff (%)	9.82	-3.01	-6.38
Apr-Jul runoff (%)	-6.35	-25.24	-31.39

Similar analysis was done for all the 36 sites in the Santa Ana Basin

Groundwater Basins



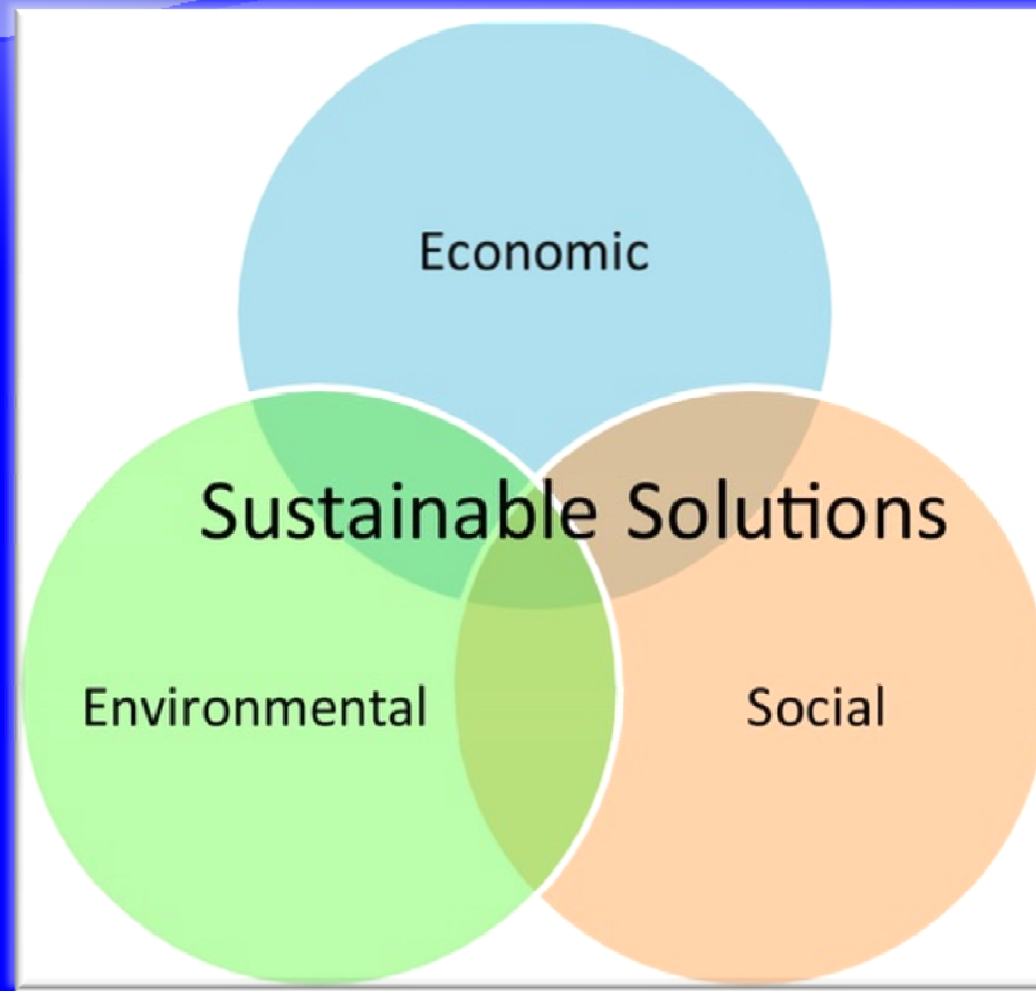
Example: Runoff Impact Santa Ana R. Adams St. Gage



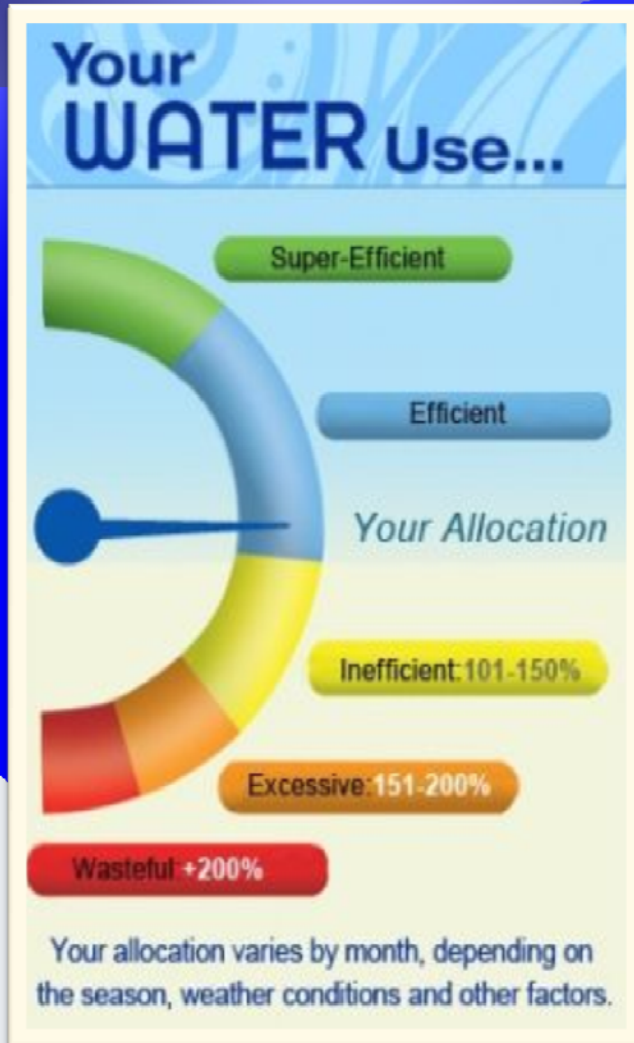
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Moving Forward on Sustainability – not the next grant



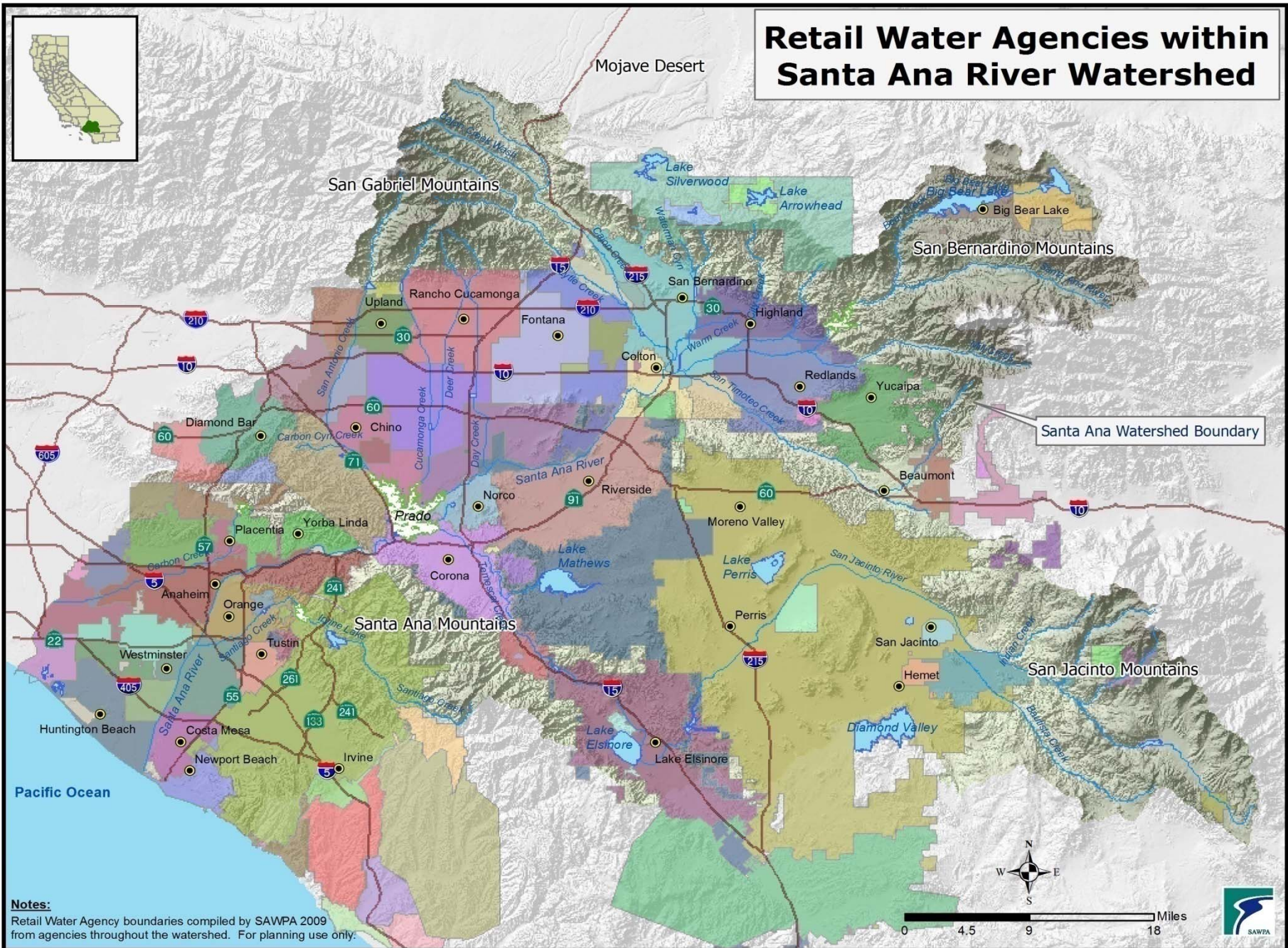
Water Budget-Based Rate Structure



Additional 10%
Water Savings –
150,000 AF/yr

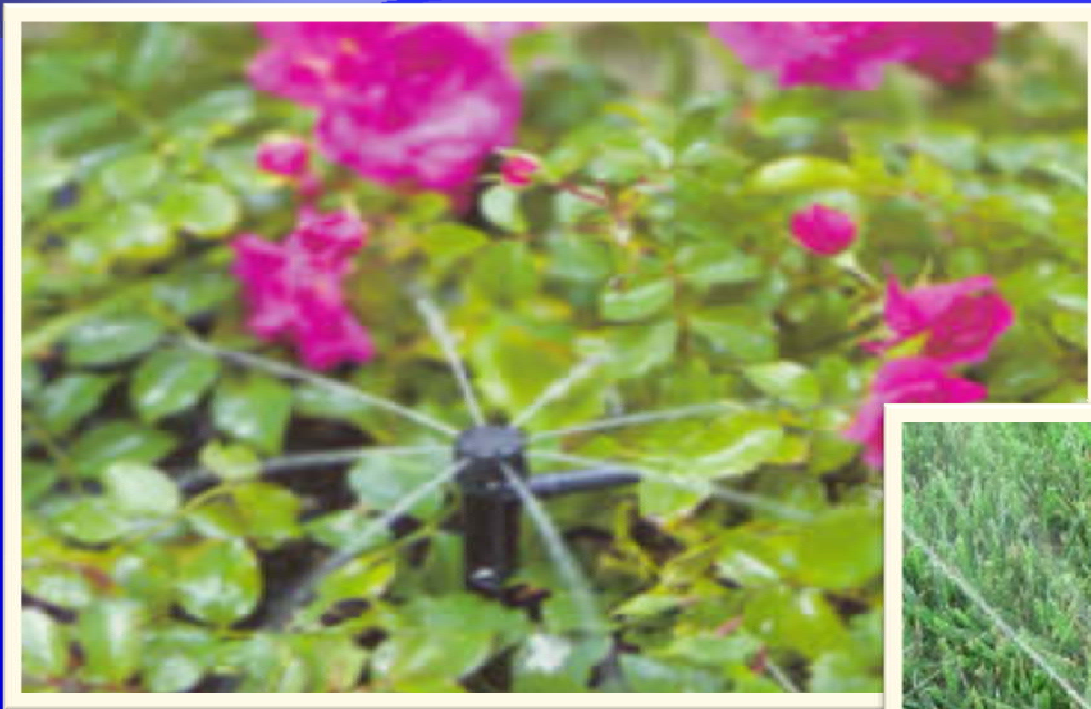


Retail Water Agencies within Santa Ana River Watershed



Notes:
 Retail Water Agency boundaries compiled by SAWPA 2009 from agencies throughout the watershed. For planning use only.

Biggest Bang for Buck: Water Use Efficiency



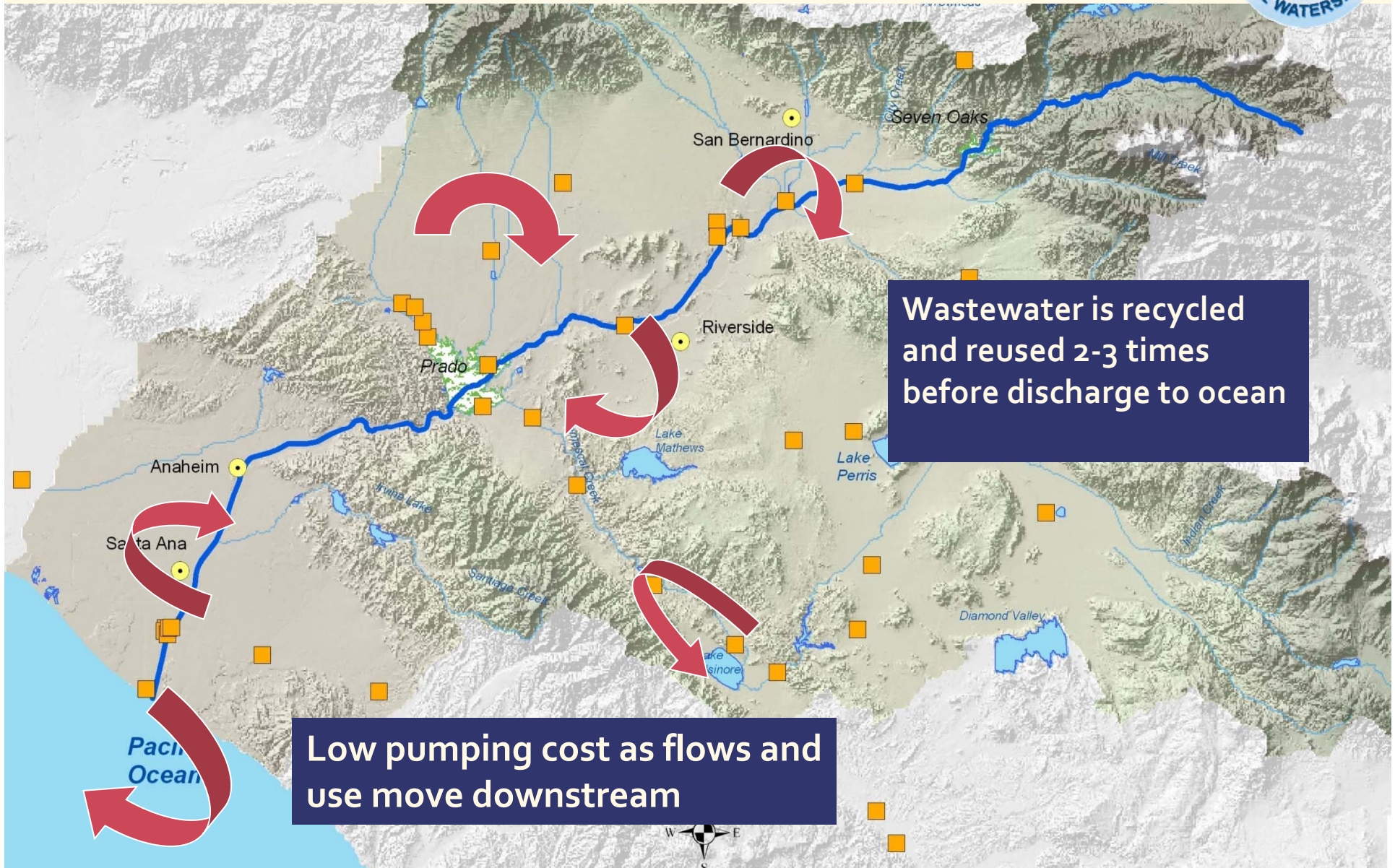


Recycled Water

- Reliable source of regular supply
- Low comparative energy costs
- Accessible to most urban communities
- More sustainable than other alternative water sources



Wastewater Reuse in the Santa Ana River Watershed



Wastewater is recycled and reused 2-3 times before discharge to ocean

Low pumping cost as flows and use move downstream



Groundwater Desalination

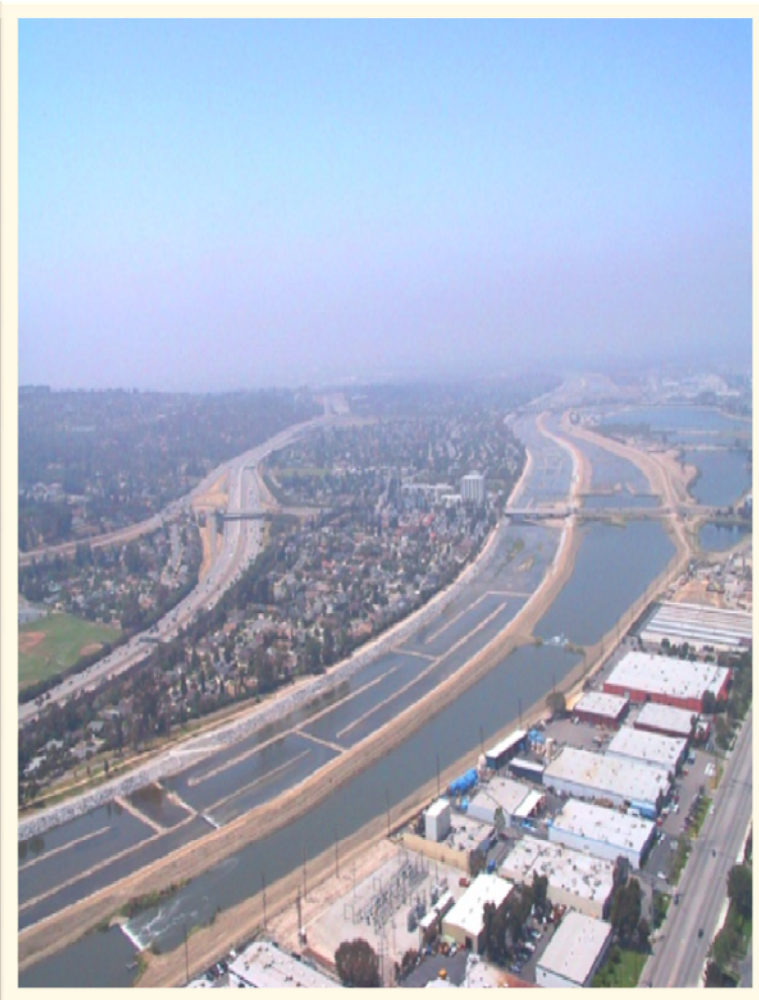


**Avg. Cost \$700 -
800/AF**

**Additional 5%
Water Savings –
75,000 AF/yr**



Manage Rainfall as a Resource



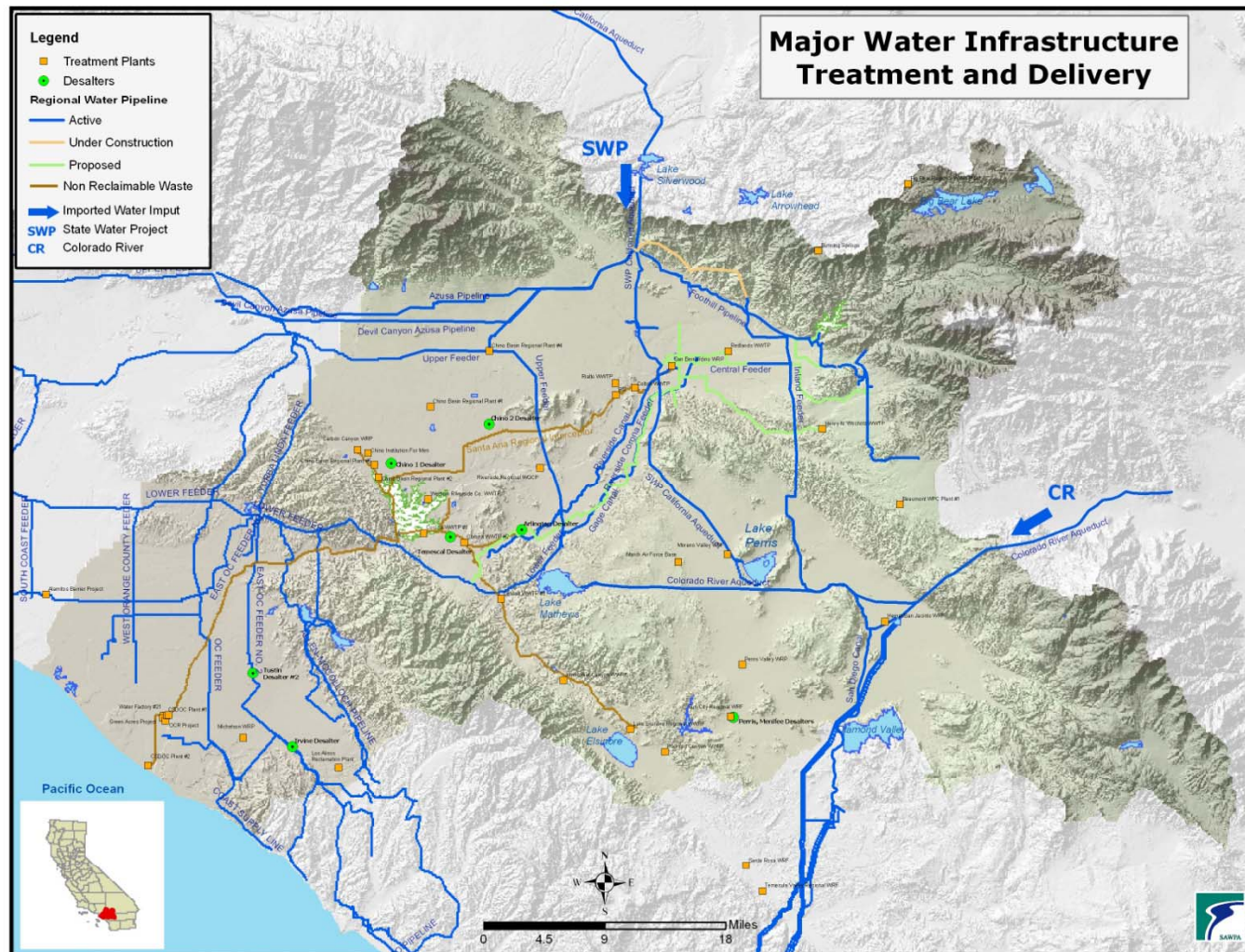
- Maximize use of rain water
- Provide flood control capacity

Forest First





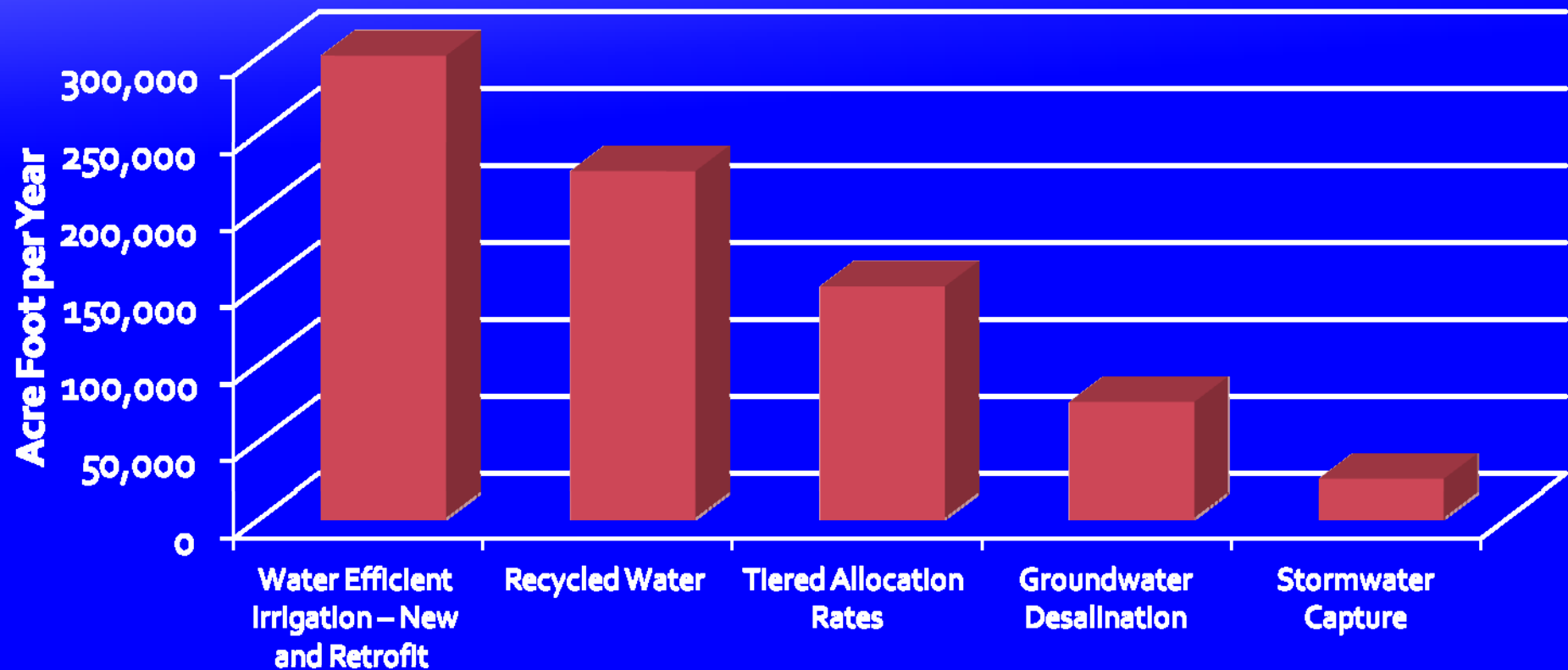
Operational Efficiency and Water Transfers



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Cumulative Benefit of Expanded Watershed Water Supply Development – 775,000 AFY





Components of Ideal Project



Water Sustainability Moving Forward – “Beyond LEED” Example



AVERAGE SAVINGS OF A GREEN BUILDING

