



Eastern Municipal Water District (EMWD)

EMWD is the freshwater, wastewater service and recycled water provider to a 542-square mile area from Moreno Valley southward along the I-215 corridor to Temecula and eastward to Hemet and San Jacinto. Approximately 755,000 people live and work in this area. In addition to its own water customers, EMWD supplements water to local water agencies and municipalities that have their own water departments. EMWD operates four water reclamation facilities and treats some 46 million gallons of wastewater daily.

Role in the Santa Ana River Watershed

EMWD is a water wholesaler and also sells retail water to meet demands, provides wastewater treatment to protect public health and serves as a recycled water manager and groundwater manager.

The SAWPA Connection

EMWD's connection to SAWPA is that we are a stakeholder at the San Jacinto Watershed.

EMWD assists in the long-term goal of achieving salt balance within the region by utilizing the ability to remove salts from the watershed via the Brine Line.

Why is it important to take a regional approach to management of the watershed?

The importance of a regional approach is resource integration.

EMWD utilizes the OWOW planning process as a tool for better management of water resources. It allows a system-wide approach that corrects and removes barriers to managing water.

EMWD Board Member Ron Sullivan is the past chair and continues to serve as a commissioner on the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority (SAWPA), the nation-wide leader for Integrated Regional Water Management Planning with One Water One Watershed (OWOW). As the OWOW Convener, Ron Sullivan leads its development and implementation since inception in May 2007.

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