San Diego IRWM Region

Region Boundary:

All or part of the 11 hydrologic units within San Diego County that discharge to coastal waters

RWMG:

- San Diego County Water Authority,
- City of San Diego, and
- County of San Diego.



San Diego IRWM Plan Update

Stand-alone planning study needed to identify methods to increase collaboration and coordination for land use and water resources planning and decisionmaking.



Key Issues & Recommendations

Matrix shows how the Land Use Study recommendations will help to overcome identified barriers to effective collaboration

KEYISSUES	RECOMMENDATIONS		
	IRWM Program	Municipalities / Land Use Planners	Water Agencies / Managers
Silos need to be broken down between water and land use disciplines and agencies and relationships need to be built or strengthened.	 Provide an annual forum for staff from water resources and land use agencies based on topics of mutual interest and importance. 	Attend forum Share case studies, best practices	Attend forum Share case studies, best practices
	 Develop a template that municipalities can use to convene meetings that include all the entities involved in land use planning and water resource planning and management for that jurisdiction. 	Volunteer to be a convener.	Participate in the meetings with the various member jurisdictions.
	 Build relationships and share information through workshops, webinars, lunchsessions, etc., put on by such organizations as APA, AEP, APWA, CWA, and the American Water Resources Association (AWRA). 	Attend workshops, webinars, etc. Share case studies, best practices	Attend workshops, webinars, etc. Share case studies, best practices
	 Develop a guide for how to engage tribal nations in the collaboration, coordination, and communication regarding land use planning and water management. 	Utilize the guide	Utilize the guide
Water resources and land use plans, policies, and implementing projects and programs must be better integrated.	 Work with SANDAG to expand its emphasis on smart growth (sustainable land use and transportation practices) to encompass strategies that improve the reliability and quality of water resources. 	Participate	Participate
	Place a priority on partnerships between land use and	Pursue projects in partnership	Pursue projects in partnership

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Recommendations for Improved Collaboration & Coordination

Category 1: Collaborative Work Products

- Prepare and distribute model water resources policies, ordinances, and guidelines for topics such as graywater, sustainable landscapes, and stormwater management.
- 2. Prepare information sheets for land use planners regarding potential water resource-related impacts of certain land uses, such as landfills and pharmaceutical industries.
- 3. Prepare conservation or resource management plans/guidelines for community gardens and backyard gardening.

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Model Water Resources General Plan Policy Guide

- Organized around the four IRWM goals
- Watershed-based approach
- Used the Ahwahnee Water Principles as a guide
- Used local examples to the extent possible
- Purpose:
 - For use by city planners when updating their General Plans
 - For use by environmental planners when developing CEQA/NEPA mitigation

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