



*"Thinking in Terms of Tomorrow"*

# ieua and its customer agencies are **prepared.**

Fact Sheet: Drought Status & Water Supply Awareness

As California experiences drought conditions, maximizing water-use efficiency efforts will help maintain a reliable, high-quality water supply today, tomorrow and for future generations. In addition to sound planning and securing local water supplies, IEUA is investing in critical infrastructure to improve resiliency while at the same time staying committed to minimizing rate increases and keeping costs low.



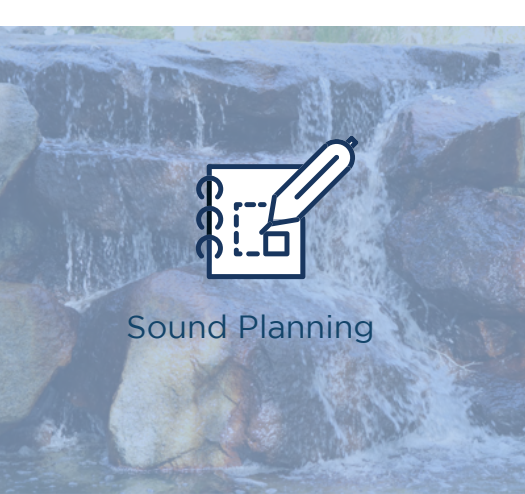
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Sound Planning

While a portion of our region's water supply depends on imported water, IEUA is prepared to meet the region's current and future water supply needs through sound planning efforts that include the Urban Water Management Plan and innovative programs such as the Chino Basin Program. Both are collaborative efforts that enhance IEUA's commitment to water supply diversification during times of drought and guarantee that our region can count on their water supply for essential uses such as drinking, bathing and cleaning, even during prolonged, critically dry and drought conditions.



Securing Local Water Supplies

Maintaining resilient local supplies is paramount to IEUA in order to reduce dependence on imported water. Advanced initiatives such as the groundwater recharge program and recycled water operations present multiple advantages to the region as they result in a significant, high-quality water supply, are reliable during drought and climate change conditions and require significantly less energy than imported water for deliveries, thus reducing greenhouse gas emissions.



Investing In Critical Infrastructure

IEUA is thinking in terms of tomorrow. In addition to sound planning and securing local water supplies, IEUA is investing in critical infrastructure for improved resiliency and increased savings for our rate payers. IEUA has successfully applied for and received hundreds of millions in grants and low-interest loans for capital improvement projects. The Regional Water Recycling Plant No. 5 (RP-5) Expansion Project will expand RP-5's liquids treatment capacity and construct a new solids handling facility to support expected service area growth.

# we need your help...

Smart water planning starts with water saving efforts. IEUA and its customer agencies have focused on developing local partnerships and water-use efficiency rebates & programs to reduce reliance on imported water and limit the effects of potential water supply restrictions. Every gallon of water saved translates into reduced demand for imported water supplies. Learn more at [ieua.org/save-your-water/](http://ieua.org/save-your-water/).

*Inland Empire Utilities Agency is a regional wastewater treatment agency and wholesale distributor of imported water. The Agency is responsible for serving approximately 875,000 people over 242 square miles in western San Bernardino County and focuses on providing three key services: (1) treating wastewater and developing recycled water, local water resources, and conservation programs to reduce the region's dependence on imported water supplies, thus enabling the service area to become drought-resilient; (2) converting biosolids and waste products into a high-quality compost made from recycled materials; and (3) generating electrical energy from renewable sources.*

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