

EASTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

Local Water Supply Update

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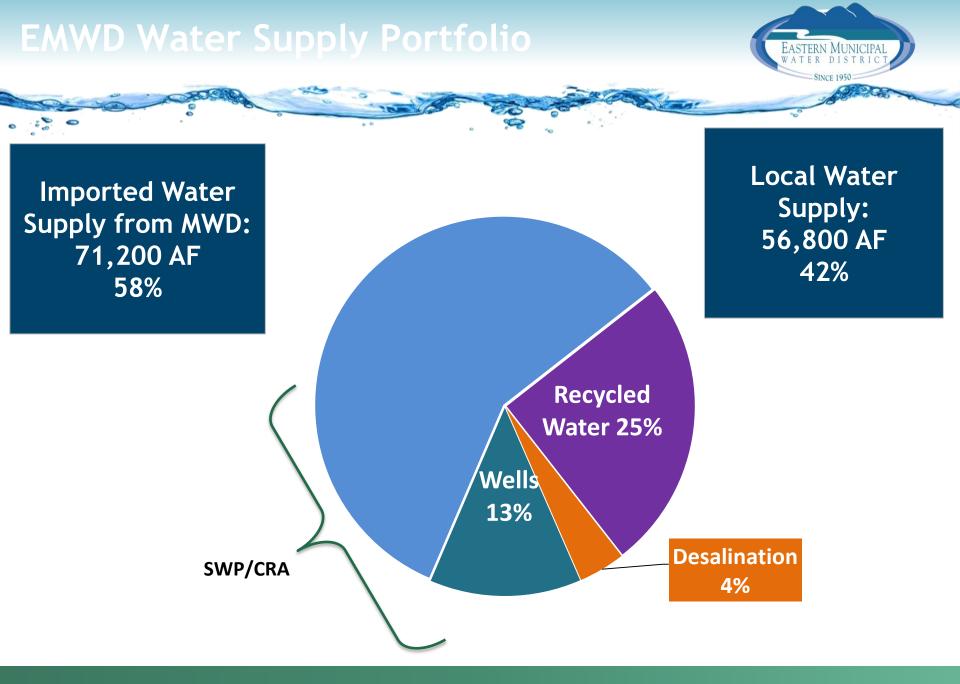
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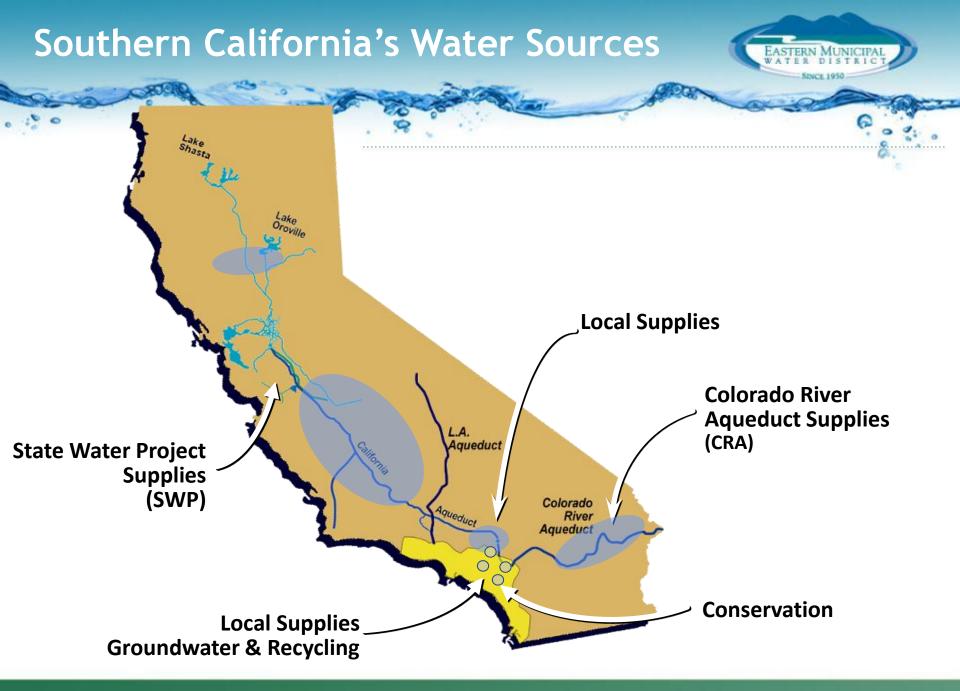
- Est. 1950
- One of over 600 water purveyors in California
- Unique because... potable and recycled water and sewage treatment to wholesale and retail customers
- Seven cities, (incl. unincorp. areas)
- Seven wholesale subagencies
- 542 square miles (Mo Val to Tem; Hemet/SJ to Perris)
- Population: 768,000
- Employees: 600+

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- Accounts:
 - 135,000 potable water
 - 230,000 sewage
 - 270 recycled water and
 - 150 agriculture/irrigation
- Four Operating RWRFs (2013 Production 47,650 AF)
- Governed by five elected board members
- One of 26 MWD member agencies (EMWD Board Member, Randy Record, serves is Chair of MWD Board)





Water Supplies ~ The Challenges

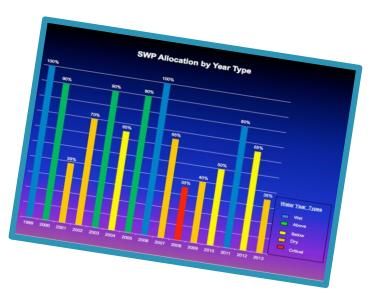
DROUGHT:

- 2013 Driest year on record
- Formal declaration on 1/17/14
 - Expanded public awareness
 - Calls for 20% voluntary conservation

SWP ALLOCATIONS:

- Lowest allocation in history for Central and Southern California!
- Using SWP water in reserves from Perris, and Diamond Valley Lakes



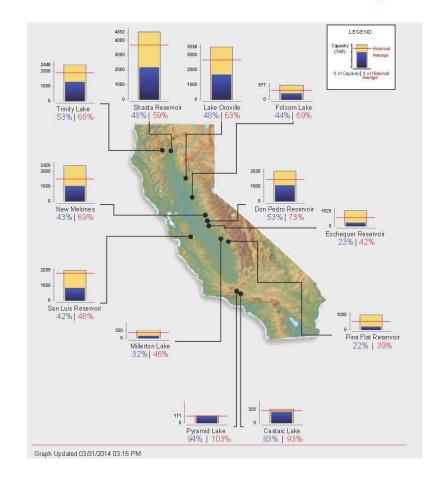






STORAGE:

- Northern California SWP reservoirs are LOW
- Southern California SWP reservoirs are near capacity, but are dropping
- Inland reservoir levels:
 - Lake Mathews: 40%
 - Diamond Valley: 64%
 - Lake Skinner: 85%
 - Lake Perris: 45%



<u>**Conservation**</u> – rebates, workshops, water-saving programs; demo gardens, tiered rates/water budgets and water shortage contingency plans

<u>**Groundwater Management**</u> – addresses overdraft and salinity, and uses diversion and storage ponds to capture water during high storm events

<u>**Desalination**</u> – coverts salty, non-consumable, brackish water into potable water; protects higher quality groundwater nearby by keeping brackish water from intruding; remove waste salts (brine) from commercial and industrial operations <u>**Recycled Water-**</u> Useful end product of wastewater, used for agriculture, golf courses, landscaping, cemeteries and schools; less expensive than potable water, reduces the need for purchasing imported water

<u>Education</u> – EMWD reaches more than 65,000 students a year to help instill a water-wise mindset among our youth through facility tours, presentations, water education materials, poster, literacy and other contest





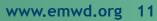
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