

Fiscal Year 2015 Water Conservation Activities

Mission

The mission of the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) is to manage, develop, and protect water and related resources in an environmentally and economically sound manner in the interest of the American public.

Vision Statement

Through leadership, use of technical expertise, efficient operations, responsible customer service and the creativity of people, Reclamation will seek to protect local economies and preserve natural resources and ecosystems through the effective use of water.

Overview



Reclamation established the Water Conservation Field Services Program (WCSFP) in 1996 to implement the water conservation provision under Section 210 of the Reclamation Reform Act of 1982, Public Law 97-293. To accomplish this, Reclamation assists local agricultural and M&I water user entities, and other Federal and non-Federal entities to develop and implement effective water conservation plans.

Reclamation actively encourages water conservation and the efficient use of water supplies associated with Reclamation water projects, where the benefits contribute to the proper and efficient operation of Reclamation water projects, the improvement of water supply, the protection of project lands or facilities, the beneficial use of water supplies and/or the improvement of fish and wildlife habitat associated with the operations of those projects.



The major components of the WCSFP are to:

- Assist in developing effective water management and conservation plans,
- Encourage and promote implementation of water efficiency measures, and
- Demonstrate conservation technologies.

**Southern California Area Office
FY 2015 Partnerships**

Water Conservation Field Services Program

Five grants were awarded to southern California water entities in FY 2015.

The Metropolitan Water District of So Cal
\$100,000 – Innovative Conservation Program
Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District
\$75,000 – Instant Hot Water Recirculating
Rebate Program
West Basin Municipal Water District
\$60,000 – Water Use Efficiency Master Plan

Upper San Gabriel River Municipal Water
\$100,000 – Large Landscape Survey and Retrofit
Program
Municipal Water District of Orange County
\$98,965 – California Friendly Technical Design
Assistance Program

CALFED Water Use Efficiency Grant Program

Three grants were awarded southern California water entities in FY 2015.

Inland Empire Utilities Agency
\$750,000 – Groundwater Recharge Yield
Enhancement Conjunctive Use Project
Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District
\$750,000 – Advanced Metering Infrastructure
Project

Upper San Gabriel River Municipal Water
\$438,640 – Outdoor School Water Management Program

WaterSmart Water Energy Efficiency Grant Program

Five grants were awarded to southern California water entities in FY 2015.

Moulton Niguel Water District
\$300,000 – AMI Implementation Program
City of San Buenaventura
\$229,631 – System Optimization Improvements
Mojave Water Agency
\$300,000 – CII Turf Replacement Program
City of Yucaipa
\$227,000 – Wildwood Creek Groundwater
Recharge
**Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water
District**
\$1,000,000 – Large Landscape Survey and
Retrofit Program

City of San Buenaventura
\$300,000 – Be Water Wise Incentive Program
Municipal Water District of Orange County
\$299,956 – Comprehensive Landscape WUE Program
West Basin Municipal Water District
\$300,000 – Regional Landscape WUE Program
Western Municipal Water District
\$1,000,000 – Arlington Basin Water Quality
Improvement Project

Need More Information?

If you have any water conservation questions, need technical assistance, or want to learn more about water conservation partnerships, contact Deb Whitney, Water Conservation Specialist, at dwhitney@usbr.gov or by phone at 951-201-6282 or visit the website www.usbr.gov/lc/socal/.