

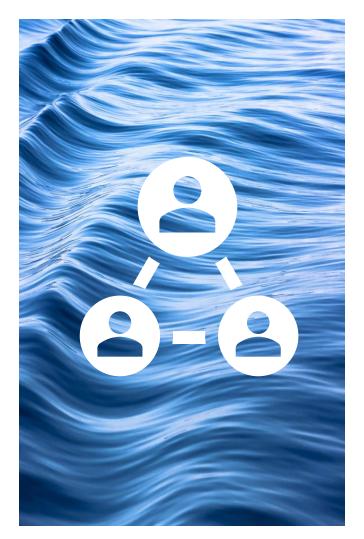
### County of San Diego

# Regional Water Equity Project

- Integrated Regional Water Management, Regional Advisory Committee Presentation
  - > April 5th, 2023

### Response to State Drought

- Regional Collaboration
  - Tribal Communities, Binational Partners, Imperial County
- Adapt to a Hotter, Drier, Future
- Equitably Address Drought Impacts
  - Wildfires, Water Scarcity, Access to Water





County Team

Office of Sustainability & Environmental Justice (OSEJ)

Regional

Department of Public Works (DPW)

Unincorporated

## **Project Partners**







engineers | scientists | innovators





Scope of Work

### Water Sustainability

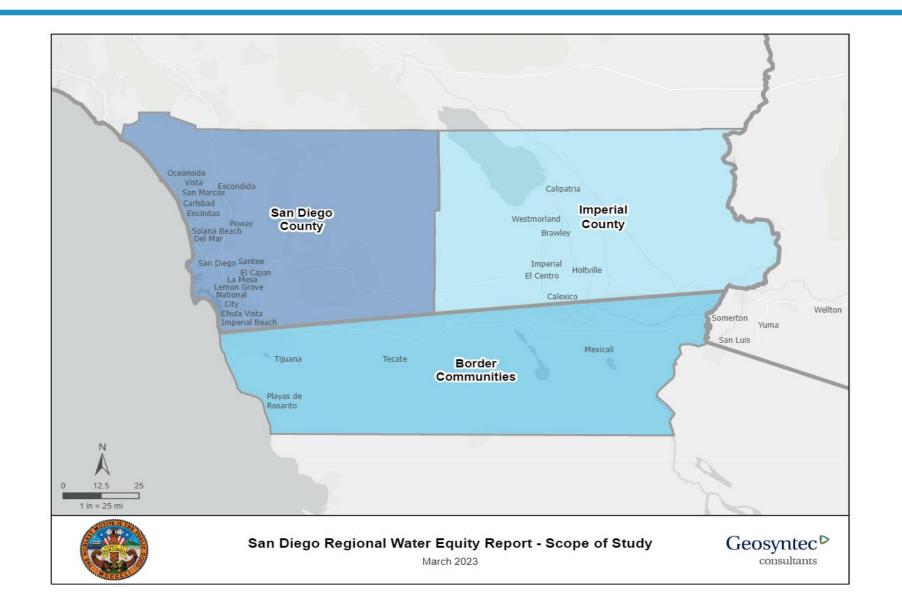
- Stormwater Capture
- Water Diversion
- Greywater Reuse
- Sustainable Agriculture

### Affordable Housing Stormwater Capture

 Research available incentives to integrate & install

# Financial Risks & Investments

- Risks caused by extreme weather
- Investments needed for resilience



Project Timeline

#### **SD County Board Direction**

•September 2022



- Project Kick-Off & Public Meeting
- April 26th, 2023

#### SD County Board Update

•June 2023

#### Virtual Water Workshops

- Special Topic Workshops
- •Spring Summer 2023

#### 2nd Water Assembly

- Project Closing & Dissemination of Results
- •September 2023

#### Regional Water Equity Report

- Public Comment Period
- October 2023

#### **SD** County Board **Hearing**

December 2023

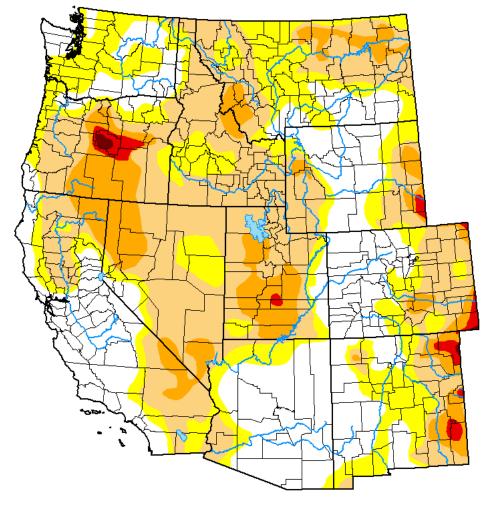
### Water Assembly Detail

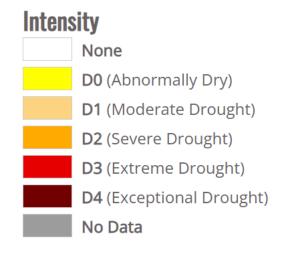
- April 26, 2023
- County Operations Center Conference Room/Chambers 5560 Overland Avenue, San Diego, CA 92123
- 9:30 10am: Registration & reception with light refreshments
- 10am 12pm: Program with opening remarks from Chairwoman Vargas
- Hybrid event with Zoom option





- Drought information
  - As of March 2023





Source: Drought Monitor University of Nebraska- Lincoln

Call To Action & Collaboration







#### ABOUT

To address the increase in drought impacts, the Office of Sustainability and Environmental Justice (OSEJ) is leading a regionwide effort directed by the San Diego County Board of Supervisors on September 14, 2022 to analyze drought management and water sustainability practices to proactively address the challenges of our region's reliance on water sources. This binational effort includes a comprehensive regional assessment to identify recommendations that equitably address the drought crisis. The proposed recommendations will be aligned with California's Water Supply Strategy.



Read the Board direction from

#### FOR MORE INFO



www.sandiegocounty.gov/osej

#### THE REPORT WILL INCLUDE & IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES FOR:

The whole region, including local municipalities, Imperial County, and binational cities

Stormwater capture and reuse at County parks and facilities

Water diversion, capture, and reuse on County roads and highways

Incentives for affordable housing developments to integrate and install stormwater capture and reuse systems

Identifying financial risks caused by extreme weather conditions

Identifying financial investments needed for resilience approaches

Researching what other jurisdictions are doing with graywater reuse

Identifying risks, opportunities, and incentives for sustainable agriculture projects



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## Thank you!

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