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Thank you for your participation in the Water Needs Assessment. Our goal is to understand the water-related issues and needs of your community and your feedback will help shape the region's water priorities. Please provide as much information as possible. If you do not know the answer to a question, feel free to leave it blank. Any information you can provide related to your water needs and systems is helpful.

If you need any assistance while completing the form, or would prefer to speak to a program representative over the phone, please contact your region representative below.

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- South Orange County: Jenna Voss (<u>jenna.voss@ocpw.ocgov.com</u>)
- Upper Santa Margarita: Justin Haessly (<u>haesslyj@ranchowater.com</u>)





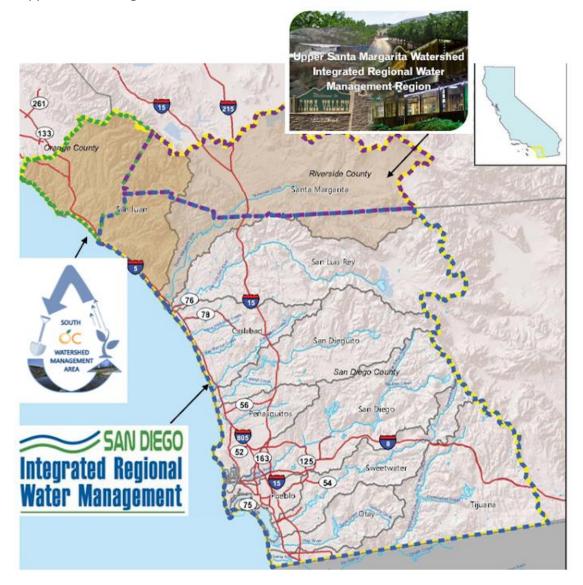


What is the name of your community or, if you are a water/wastewater organization, the name of your system?
County:
Median Household Income of Community Population (if known):
Is your community's population generally stable (year-round) or does it fluctuate (seasonal)? ☐ Stable ☐ Seasonal
Approximate percentage of community members who are renters (versus home owners):%
Approximate percentage of community members who live in multi-family dwellings:%
Have you ever been engaged in an Integrated Watershed Management program or public
project?
□ Yes □ No

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What IRWM Region are you located in? (Please pick one)

- San Diego
- South Orange County
- Upper Santa Margarita



(Optional) What is your community's cultural/ethnic composition?
Are there any other defining characteristics of your community that you'd like to share?

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General Water Questions Currently and historically, what are this community's most significant water challenges? What do you see as the most pressing water challenge this community will face in the next 5 years? 10 years? Do you consider climate change to be a threat to your community's water supply? ■ Yes ■ No ■ Maybe If you answered yes to the question above, please describe how you think climate change may affect your community's water supply: Name 1 or 2 particularly beneficial holistic/big-picture water projects/programs in your community: **Drinking Water Questions** Where does your community's drinking water come from? Check all that apply. ■ Groundwater from a well ■ Groundwater from a spring ■ Surface water Purchased water requiring treatment ■ Purchased water already treated Other:

If water is sourced from a groundwater well, please specify the number of private AND public wells. If not applicable, please write NA._____

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Is drinking water accessible for the community? Yes No Other:
Is drinking water considered affordable for the community? Yes No Other:
What conditions (ie drought, flooding) have impacted drinking water quality and supply
reliability? Are certain conditions of concern in the future?
List any other drinking water quantity issues:
List any other drinking water quality challenges:
Wastewater Questions
What type(s) of wastewater system(s) is/are used in your community? Check all that apply. Septic Sewer Other:
What conditions (ie drought, flooding, infrastructure failure) have impacted wastewater system
operations or reliability? Are certain conditions of concern in the future?
List any other challenges regarding wastewater:

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Stormwater Questions

Stormwater is water that originates during precipitation events that can either soak into the soil, be held on the surface and evaporate, or runoff and end up in nearby water bodies. Who or what is most impacted by urban runoff in this community? (Urban runoff may be stormwater flows or runoff from irrigation, washing cars, and other outdoor uses.) Who or what is most impacted by stormwater flooding in this community? What conditions (ie drought, rain events, infrastructure failure) have resulted in stormwater or flood problems in your community? Are certain conditions of concern in the future? Has your community experienced any specific public health or safety issues caused by stormwater? Identify any other stormwater/ urban water runoff/ flood management issues: Financing What type of rate structure for water does your community use? ☐ Flat Rate or Flat Fee: each customer pays the same price regardless of water use ☐ Uniform Volumetric Rate: each customer pays for the volume of water that they use according to a fixed amount per unit of water consumed ■ Block or Tiered Rate: The unit price of water changes according to the level of consumption. Customers that use above average volumes of water are charged a higher rate per unit of water.

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What challenge or concern mentioned in this questionnaire do you feel is most in need of
funding?
Describe system financing peeds (i.e. energtion and maintenance costs):
Describe system financing needs (i.e. operation and maintenance costs):
<u>Other</u>
Do you know of any other local water systems that are likely disadvantaged communities and
should be targeted for a Needs Assessment?
□ Yes □ No
□ Maybe
If answered yes above, please provide name, location, water source, or other helpful
information:
Would this community benefit from strengthened communication with other water communities
and stakeholders in the County?
□ Yes □ No
■ Maybe
□ Other:
Are you aware of any compliance or regulatory issues regarding drinking water, stormwater, or
wastewater in your community? If so, can you describe them?

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Please provide any other information you would like to share about the overall health of your
watershed.
Are there any additional needs or challenges within the community that have not been
addressed in previous sections?
If you would like to be added to our email list, please add your email here:
If you require additional space to answer the questions above, please use the space provided
below.