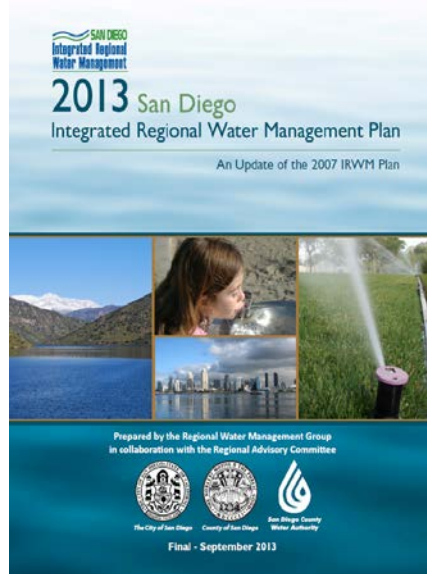




Final 2013 IRWM Plan is now Available!

The San Diego Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Program began in 2005, and since then has achieved remarkable success in both planning and securing grant funding. San Diego published its first IRWM Plan in 2007. IRWM stakeholders, working in an inclusive, transparent process, recently produced a comprehensive update of the 2007 Plan. The new 2013 IRWM Plan incorporates changes in regional water management needs and adheres to new state requirements. In addition, the San Diego Region has obtained \$34 million in state grant funding to support 30 high-priority local projects by public agencies and non-profit organizations and defray the cost of completing the 2013 Plan.



Recommendation for Adoption of the 2013 IRWM Plan by Stakeholders

- August 7 – San Diego IRWM Regional Advisory Committee

Formal Adoption of 2013 IRWM Plan by RWMG Governing Bodies

- September 26 – San Diego County Water Authority Board
- October 8 – City of San Diego City Council
- October 9 – County of San Diego Board of Supervisors



“My organization is interested in hearing more about the IRWM Program – how can I schedule a presentation?”

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What is Integrated Regional Water Management?

Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) is an innovative approach to water management that invites agencies to jointly develop complementary projects and policies that together promote water supply reliability, improved water quality, and the protection of natural resources. IRWM also provides a cost-effective and efficient design approach across jurisdictional boundaries and authorities.

IRWM planning additionally provides an important first step in positioning the San Diego Region to secure state funding for critical regional water management projects and programs. Approximately \$56 million in grant funding remains to be allocated for the Region through the IRWM Program.

The San Diego IRWM Program is led by the Regional Water Management Group (RWMG), comprised of the San Diego County Water Authority, the City of San Diego, and the County of San Diego.

Join San Diego’s IRWM Program today and learn more about upcoming regional water management grant opportunities. Visit the website: www.sdirwmp.org.

Project Spotlight: San Diego Safari Park Biofiltration Wetland Creation and Education Program



The San Diego Zoological Society's Biofiltration Wetland Creation and Education Program was the first IRWM-funded project to be completed. Through this project a biofiltration wetland was created within the San Diego Safari Park, which is being used to improve water quality through natural biological filtration.

The wetlands constructed as part of this project not only provide water quality improvements, but are also being used as an educational tool to educate visitors about water conservation and the importance of conserving wetlands.

Get Involved

To learn more about the San Diego IRWM Program and how to get involved, visit www.sdirwmp.org. This website contains information about public meetings, joining the stakeholder mailing list, IRWM grant opportunities, and electronic copies of documents including the 2013 IRWM Plan.

Submit a Project

To submit a project for inclusion in the IRWM Plan, visit the San Diego IRWM Program's Project Database, available through the Project Database link at: www.sdirwmp.org

Projects must meet criteria established in the 2013 IRWM Plan to be included in the Plan, or to be considered for future IRWM-related grant funding opportunities.

Presenting to IRWM Stakeholders

If you or your organization would like to give a presentation on a water resources-related topic of interest at a future IRWM Program meeting, please contact Mark Stadler at 858-522-6735 or MStadler@sdewa.org to discuss your proposed topic and schedule your presentation.

Types of IRWM-Funded Projects



Evaluating the feasibility of indirect potable reuse at the Water Purification Demonstration Project in the City of San Diego

Delivering water from the Carlsbad Desalination Plant to water-users in the region



An interregional effort is ongoing to assess and protect water quality in the Santa Margarita River