



SAFE CLEAN  
WATER PROGRAM

# Round 8 (FY27-28) Call for Projects

## SCR WASC Priorities

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2026



# Watershed Plans – Watershed Planning Alignment (FSG #20)

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## Watershed Planning Alignment

### Project Alignment with the Initial Watershed Plans

The Initial Watershed Plans provide detailed information on SCW Program-wide and Watershed Area-specific targets, Watershed Area Needs, strategies, and opportunities within the scope of the SCW Program. The 20th Requirement of the Feasibility Study Guidelines requires a detailed description of how a proposed project aligns with the applicable Watershed Area's Initial Watershed Plan, including how it supports identified goals and priorities.

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### Opportunities Identified at Project Location

Please use the check boxes below to select opportunities that align with your project and that you would like included in the application.

The opportunities below are automatically identified using latitude and longitude information provided in the Location portion of this application.

<input type="checkbox"/> Opportunity to Improve Water Quality and Increase Water Supply	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Benefit Opportunity Across Planning Themes Beyond Water Quality (1+ Themes)	Higher
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Benefit Opportunity Across Planning Themes Beyond Water Quality (2+ Themes)	Higher
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Benefit Opportunity Across Planning Themes Beyond Water Quality (3+ Themes)	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/> Bacteria Load Reduction	High
<input type="checkbox"/> Total Phosphorus Load Reduction	General
<input type="checkbox"/> Zinc Load Reduction	High

Project Model

### Watershed Planning Themes and Initial Watershed Plan Strategies

Project proponents are encouraged to intentionally select and describe project design features that align with the respective Watershed Area Needs and strategies as identified in the Watershed Plans (refer to Chapter 5). Please select the strategies under each Planning Theme that this project will support.

For each selected strategy, provide a description of how the project's design features or anticipated benefits directly supports that strategy. Descriptions should demonstrate how the project delivers multiple benefits while directly supporting Watershed Area Needs and SCW Program Goals.

Benefit values below are module-generated using information entered in earlier sections of this application.

\* SCW Program-wide Priority Strategy based on engagement  
 \*\* WASC Priority Strategy based on engagement

#### Improve Water Quality

Select strategies under this Planning Theme that this project will support

Please Select Strategy ▼

Please describe project benefits related to the selected strategies.

Detailed description

**Zinc Load Reduction**  
 -- lbs/yr

**Total Phosphorus Load Reduction**  
 -- lbs/yr

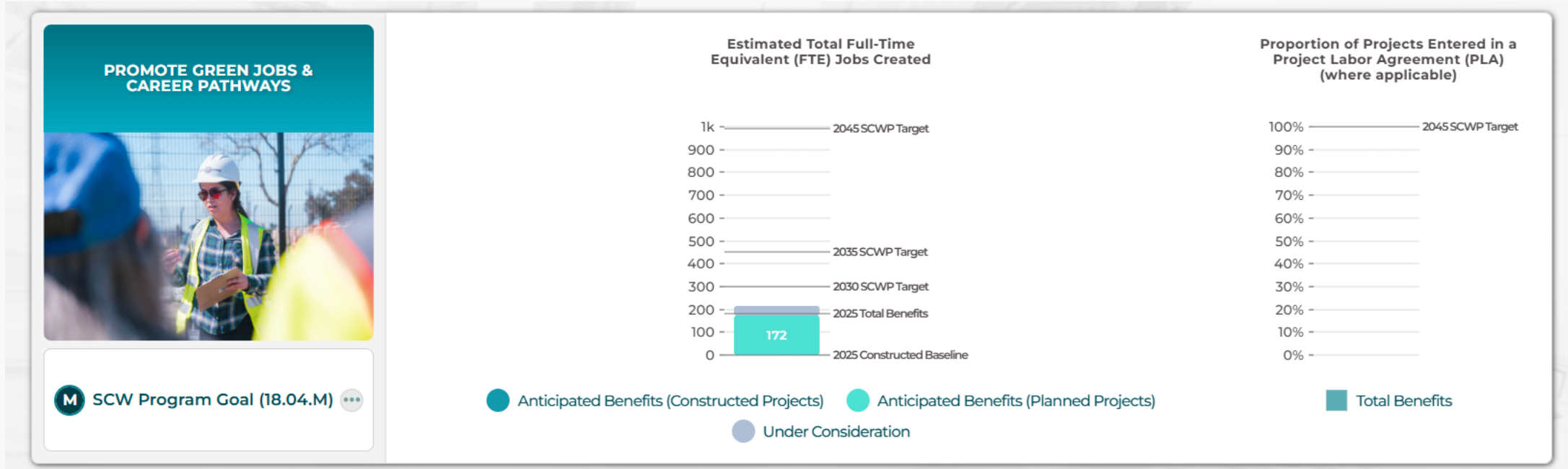
#### Increase Drought Preparedness

Select strategies under this Planning Theme that this project will support

Please Select Strategy ▼

Please describe project benefits related to the selected strategies.

# Promote Green Jobs and Career Pathways – Santa Clara River (SCR)



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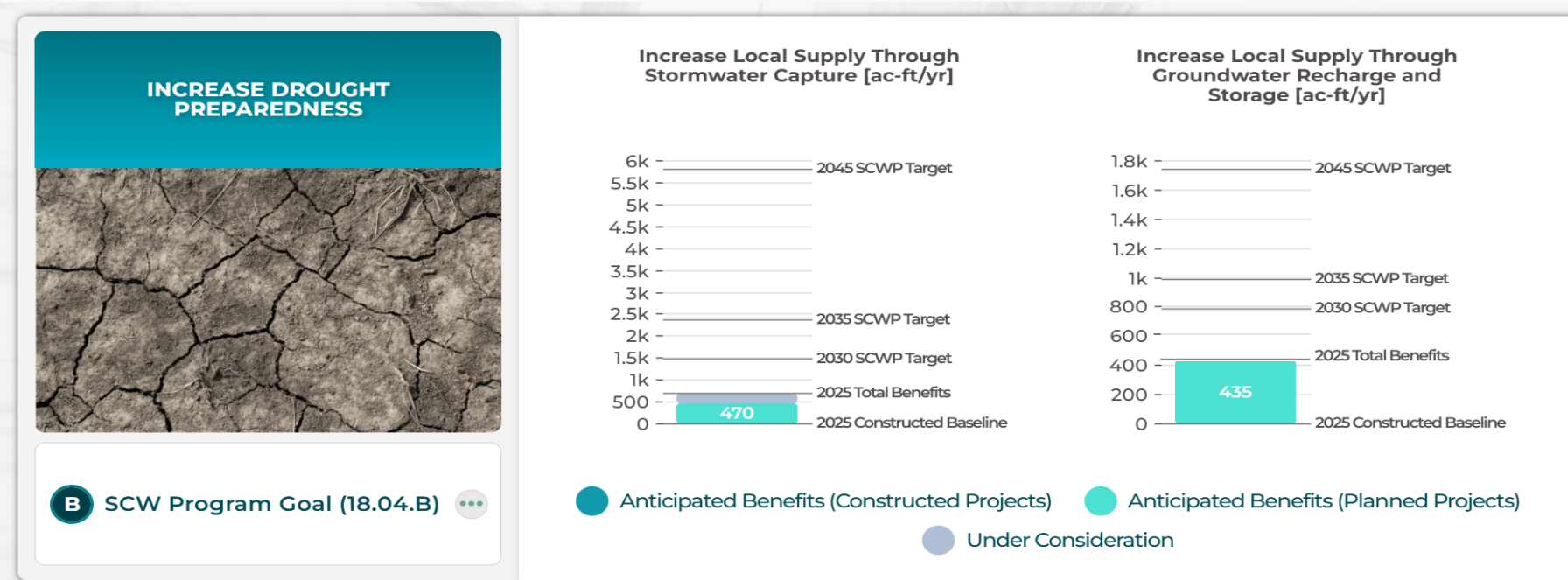
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## Funded Regional Program Projects and Program: SCR

The SCR Watershed Area Steering Committee (WASC) has funded **14** Regional Projects and Programs, including:

- **5** Infrastructure Program Projects
- **4** Technical Resources Projects + **1** Watershed Coordinator
- **4** Scientific Studies

Note: WASC-recommended FY26-27 IP, SS, and TRP are pending Board of Supervisors approval.

## Funded Projects: SCR (1 of 2)

Program	Fiscal Year	Project Developer/ Municipality	Project Name	Funding Amount
Technical Resource	FY20-21	TreePeople, Inc.	Santa Clara River Watershed Coordinator	\$2.2M
Infrastructure Project	FY20-21	LA County Public Works	Hasley Canyon Park Stormwater Improvements Project	\$2.89M
Infrastructure Project	FY20-21	City of Santa Clarita	Newhall Park Infiltration	\$18M
Technical Resource	FY21-22	Oliver Cramer	Via Princessa Park	\$300k
Technical Resource	FY22-23	Los Angeles County	Jake Kuredjian Park Stormwater Improvements Project	\$300k
Scientific Study	FY22-23	Gateway Water Management Authority	Regional Pathogen Reduction Study	\$362k
Infrastructure Project	FY22-23	Los Angeles County	Pico Canyon Park Stormwater Improvements Project	\$500k

## Funded Projects: SCR (2 of 2)

Program	Fiscal Year	Project Developer/ Municipality	Project Name	Funding Amount
Infrastructure Project	FY23-24	City of Santa Clarita	Via Princessa Park and Regional BMP Project	\$20.1M
Technical Resource	FY24-25	Heather Merenda	Old Orchard Park - PD 0717	\$300k
Technical Resource	FY24-25	City of Santa Clarita	Bacteria Mitigation - MTD 1643	\$300k
Scientific Study	FY24-25	Cal Poly Pomona	Identifying Best Practices for Maintaining Stormwater Drywell Capacity	\$409k
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Infrastructure Project	FY26-27	LA County Public Works	Jake Kuredjian Park Stormwater Improvements Project	\$1.25M

Pending Board of Supervisors approval

**Total: \$48,258,175**

## Funded Projects in SCR by Project Phase

### Infrastructure Program Projects





Planning / Design	4
Bid/Award	0
Construction	0
Operations & Maintenance	0
Post-Construction Monitoring	0

### Infrastructure Program Projects – Planning / Design

Hasley Canyon Stormwater Improvements Project	Newhall Park Infiltration
Pico Canyon Park Stormwater Improvements Project	Via Princessa Park and Regional BMP Project

*\*Reported as of 6/30/2025 in the FY24-25 Annual Report*

## Remaining SIP Budget

	Budget	Projections					Annual O&M
	FY26-27	FY27-28	FY28-29	FY29-30	FY30-31	TOTAL	
A.1 Anticipated Annual Regional Program Funds Collected	\$6.1M	\$6.1M	\$6.1M	\$6.1M	\$6.1M	\$30.5M	
A.2 Carryover from Previous SIP	\$6.8M	\$11.3M	\$16.7M	\$6.1M	\$12M		
A.3. Removed Projects and Unused TRP Funds 	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
A. Anticipated Regional Program Funds Available (A.1 + A.2 + A.3) 	\$12.9M	\$17.4M	\$22.8M	\$12.2M	\$18.1M		
B.1 Total Allocated in Previous SIP(s)	\$345k	\$308k	\$16.5M	\$200k	\$200k	\$17.5M	\$743k
B.2 Total Recommendation in Current SIP	\$1.2M	\$365k	\$238k	\$0	\$0	\$1.8M	\$58k
B. Total Allocated and Recommendation in SIP (B.1 + B.2) 	\$1.6M	\$673k	\$16.7M	\$200k	\$200k	\$19.4M	Total: \$801k
C. Carryover in Current SIP (A - B)	\$11.3M	\$16.7M	\$6.1M	\$12M	\$17.9M		
D. Percent Allocated (B / A) 	12%	4%	73%	2%	1%	52%	

## 50% Leveraged Funds Scenario and Anticipated Future Costs

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<b>B.1 Total Allocated in Previous SIP(s)</b>	\$345k	\$416k	\$18.5M	\$393k	\$400k	\$20M	\$743k
<b>B.2 Total Recommendation in Current SIP</b>	\$1.2M	\$369k	\$3.5M	\$3.4M	\$0	\$8.5M	\$58k
<b>B. Total Allocated and Recommendation in SIP (B.1 + B.2) ⓘ</b>	\$1.6M	\$785k	\$22M	\$3.8M	\$400k	\$28.6M	Total: \$801k
<b>C. Carryover in Current SIP (A - B)</b>	\$11.3M	\$16.6M	\$688k	\$3M	\$8.7M		
<b>D. Percent Allocated (B / A) ⓘ</b>	12%	5%	97%	56%	4%	77%	

## Priorities for Future Funding Requests

What priorities should applicants consider for future funding requests?

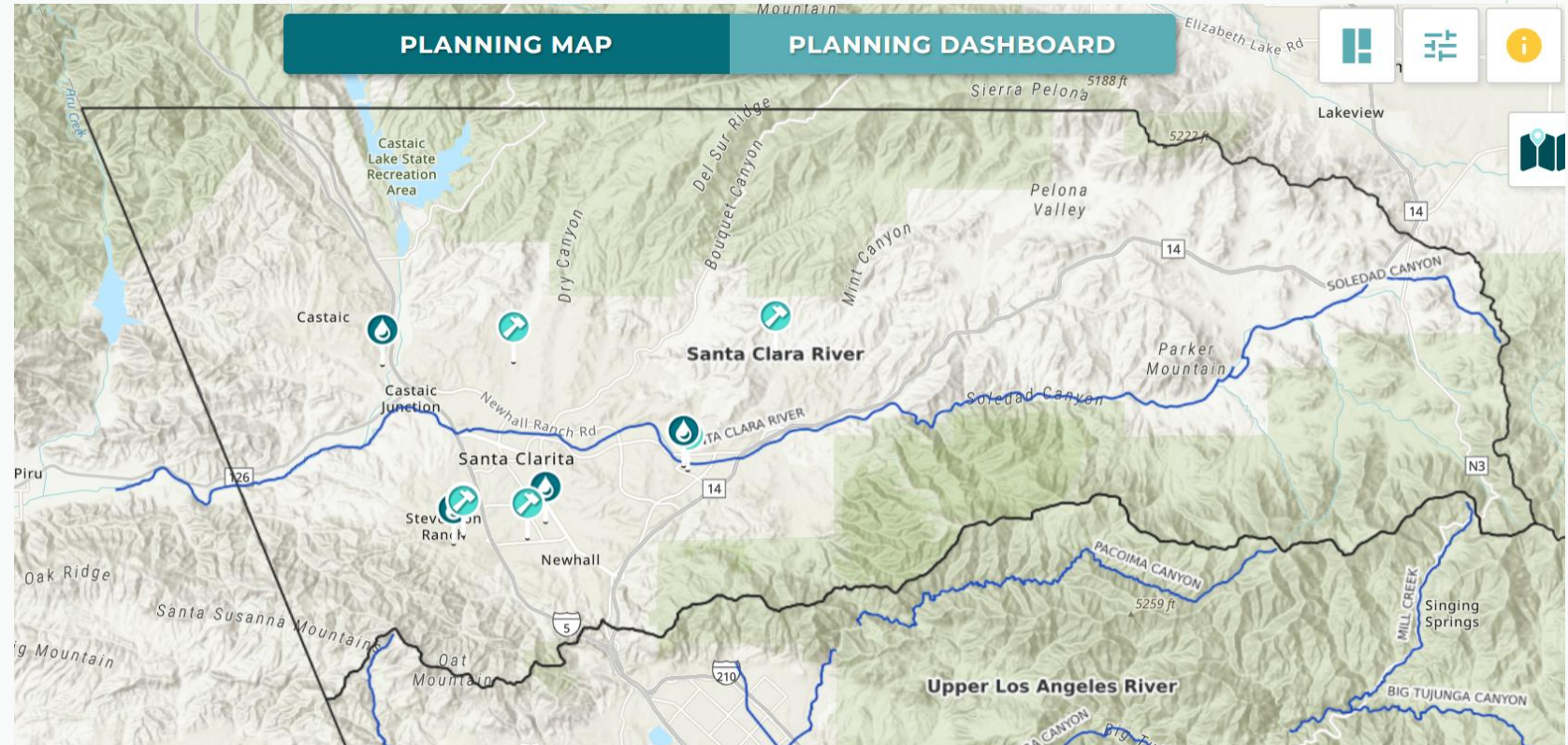
- Encourage or require developers to pursue leveraged funding?
  - To date, **28.66%** of Project Costs in SCR are attributed to leveraged funding (% Non-SCW Funding/Total Funding)
- How to structure funding requests across budget years?
- Set-asides or reserved funding for project types/ phase?

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\*Potential future leverage funding or cost of projects returning for construction not included

## Locations of Funded Projects

- The Watershed Planning Tool shows the location of funded:
  - Infrastructure Projects
  - Technical Resources Program Project Concepts

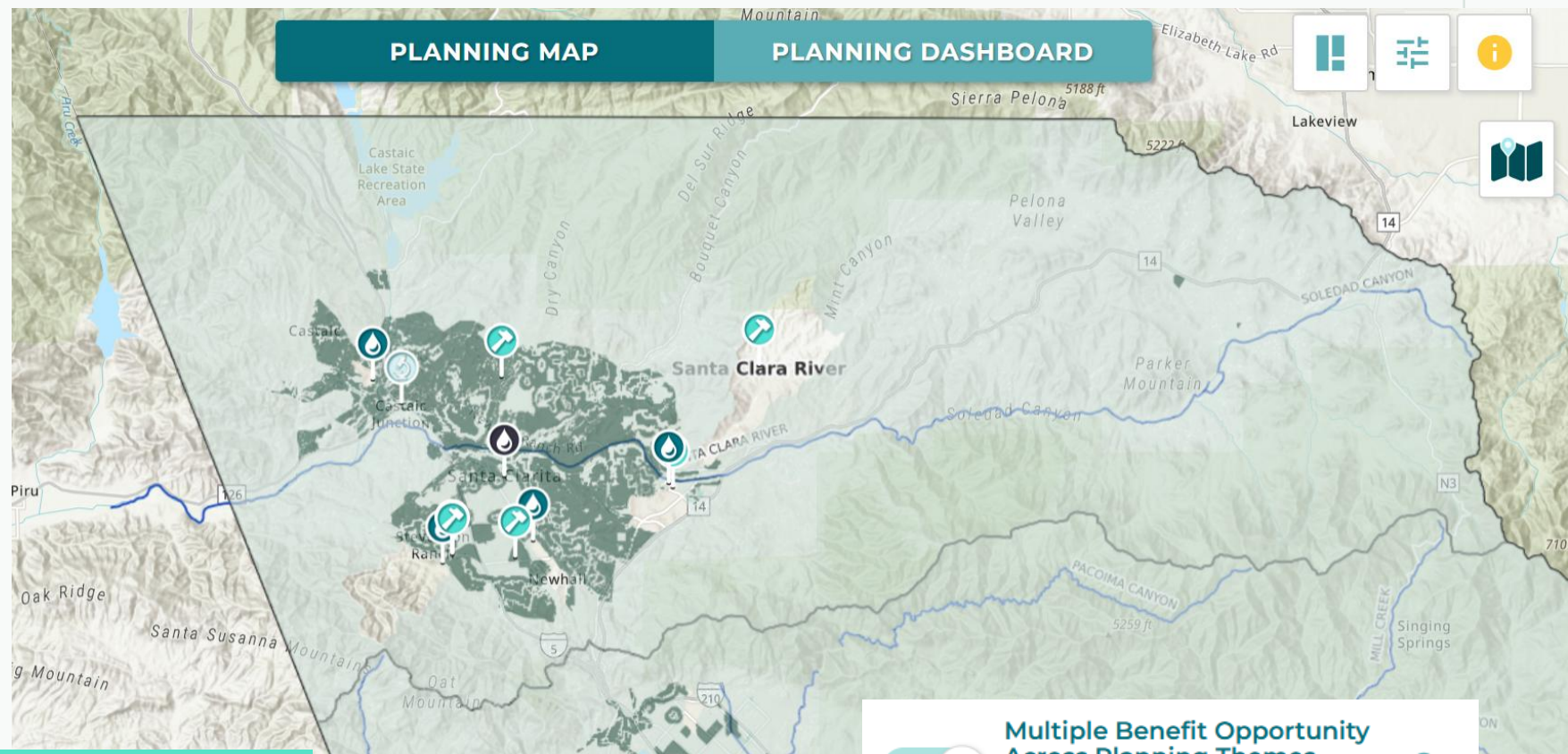


### [SCW Program Watershed Planning Tool](#)

Note: WASC-recommended FY26-27 IP, SS, and TRP are pending Board of Supervisors approval and not shown on map.

# Potential Areas of Interest for Future Projects

- The Watershed Planning Tool highlights opportunity areas where projects are likely to provide water quality and 3+ other key benefits. Darker shading reflects high combined opportunity scores and number of SCW goals met.




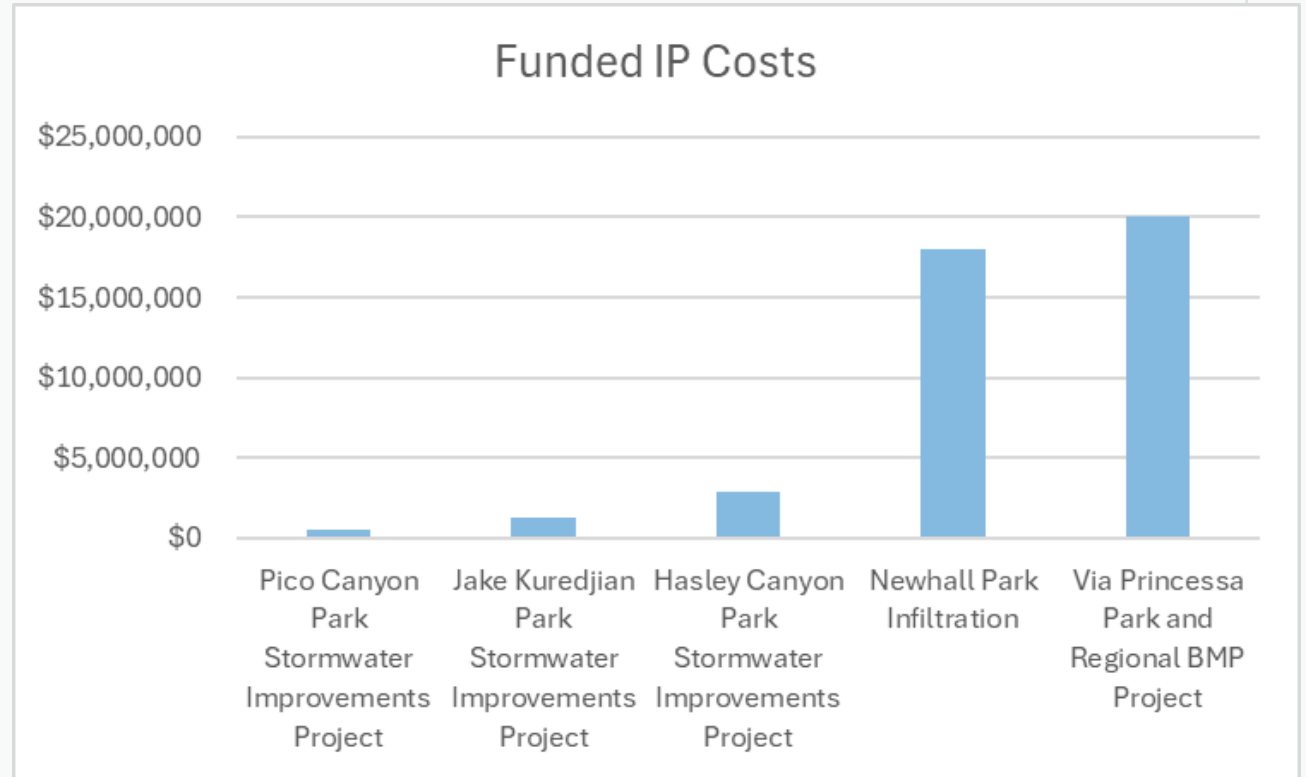
Based on past investments, are there areas or subbasins that you would like to prioritize?

Are there key gaps you would like to address based on community feedback, CSNA data, or BMP type?

SCW Program Watershed Planning Tool

## Project Types/ Targets (BMPs, Sizes, Benefits, etc.)

- When programming the SIP, WASCs must balance:
  - 85% IP /10% TRP /5% SS ratios
  - Spectrum of project size 
  - Spectrum of BMPs
  - Spectrum of project phases from planning to O&M
  - Proportional municipality benefits
  - Disadvantaged Community Benefits
  - Prioritizing nature-based solutions



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Based on past investments, what might be missing that should be prioritized for the future?

Based on past investments, what are potential areas of science, technical study, and data gaps to prioritize?

## Funded Scientific Studies

[SCR Initial Watershed Plan Appendix E: Key Efforts to Date](#)

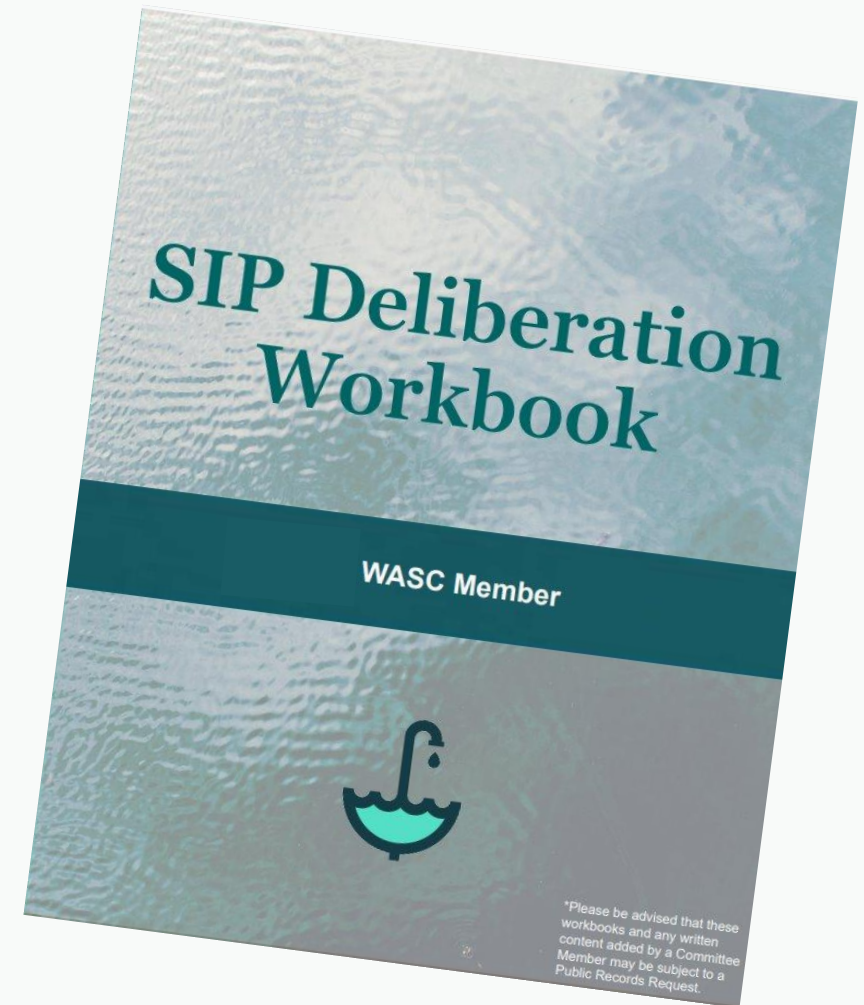
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## SIP Deliberation Workbooks

- Piloted as a resource for WASC Committee Members during Round 7 SIP Deliberations
- Includes hard copies of information about projects and studies, available to the public on the SCW Program website, and note-taking pages

**What was your experience like with the SIP Deliberation Workbook?**

**What works? What could be strengthened?**



# Thank you

QUESTIONS?

Contact the program team at:

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