



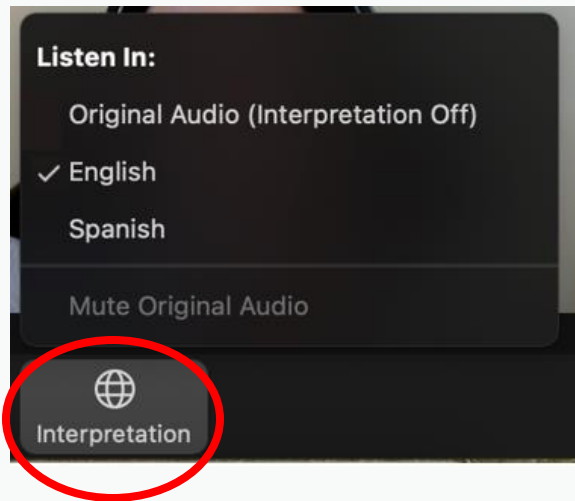
Regional Oversight Committee Meeting

September 9, 2026



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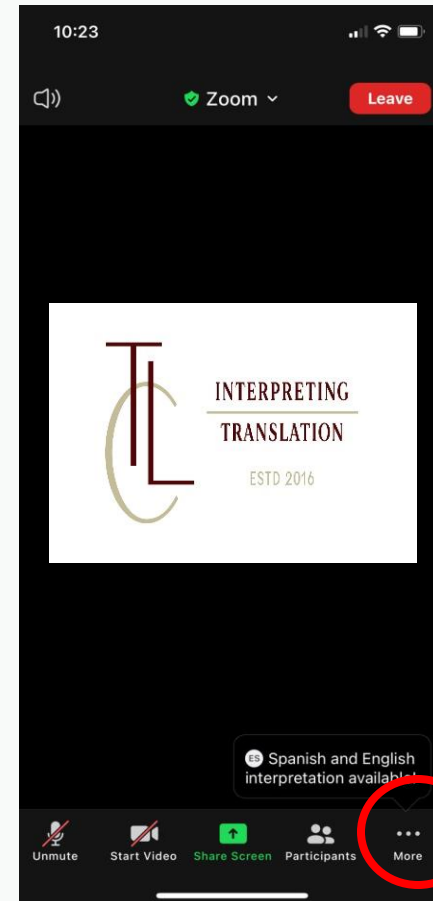


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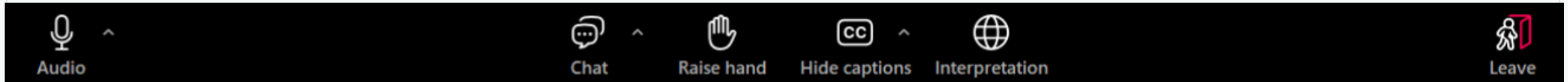


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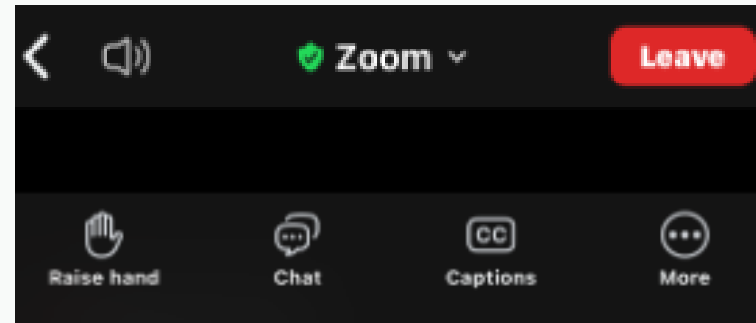


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Member	Expertise	Affiliation
Diana Tang, Chair	Water Quality	City of Long Beach
Maria Mehranian, Vice-Chair	Water Quality, Water Supply	Cordoba and Former LA Regional Water Quality Control Board Chair
Belinda Faustinos	Community Investment Benefits, Nature-Based Solutions	NGO (retired) and State Agency Executive
Charles Treviño	Water Supply	Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District
Lauren Ahkiam	Community Investment Benefits	LAANE (Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy)
Barbara Romero	Water Quality, Community Investment Benefits, Nature-Based Solutions	LA City Resident
Dave Pedersen	Water Supply, Water Quality	General Manager, Las Virgenes Municipal Water District
Diana Mahmud	Water Supply, Community Investment Benefits	Former City Councilmember, City of South Pasadena
Bruce Reznik	Water Quality, Community Investment Benefits, Nature-Based Solutions	Los Angeles Waterkeeper
Carl Blum	Water Quality, Water Supply	LA County Flood Control District (non-voting member)
David Nahai	Water Quality	Chair, LA Regional Water Quality Control Board (non-voting member)

Agenda Review & Meeting Purpose

Meeting Purpose:

- ☐ ROC to receive District Program Report Summaries and Updates
- ☐ ROC to receive 2026 Biennial Progress Report Interagency Task Force Updates
- ☐ ROC to receive Workforce Development Ad Hoc Subcommittee Report of Findings & Recommendations

Agenda Review:

1. Welcome
2. Roll Call
3. Agenda Review and Meeting Purpose
4. *Ex Parte* Communication Disclosures
5. Approval of August 12, 2026 Meeting Minutes
6. Public Comment Period
7. Program Administration Updates
 - a) 2026 Biennial Progress Report Update – Interagency Task Force
8. Information Item: SCW District Program Focus & Updates
9. Information Item: Ad Hoc Workforce Development Subcommittee – Report of Findings & Recommendations
10. ROC Member Updates
11. Items for Next Agenda / Lookahead
 1. October 14, 2026 – **Cancelled**
 2. November 18, 2026 - @LASAN Media Center
 1. Chair Selection and Charter Overview
 2. 2026 Biennial Progress Report Updates
 3. Initial Watershed Plans Influence Report
 4. District Grants Program Updates
12. Meeting Adjourned

Safe, Clean Water Program **Regional Oversight Committee Purpose:**

High-level review and assessment of the implementation of the Safe, Clean Water Program to help ensure that Program Purposes and Goals are met.

SCWP Regional Oversight Committee – Past, Present & Future

Past

August

Regional Program Mid-Year Report Summaries

2026 CFP Updates

Scoring Revisions

26BPR Update: Post-Construction Monitoring Guidance

Today

► **District Program Focus & Updates**

► **26BPR Update: Interagency Task Force**

► **Ad Hoc WFD Subcommittee Report Out**

Future

October

Cancelled

November

ROC Chairs Selection

District Grants Program

26BPR Updates: Various

Initial Watershed Planning Influence

SCW Program Highlights – Regional + Municipal + District Programs

The SCWP has achieved **strong early progress** despite multi-year project complexity, with the **Watershed Planning Initiative** supporting more strategic, watershed-based investments going forward.

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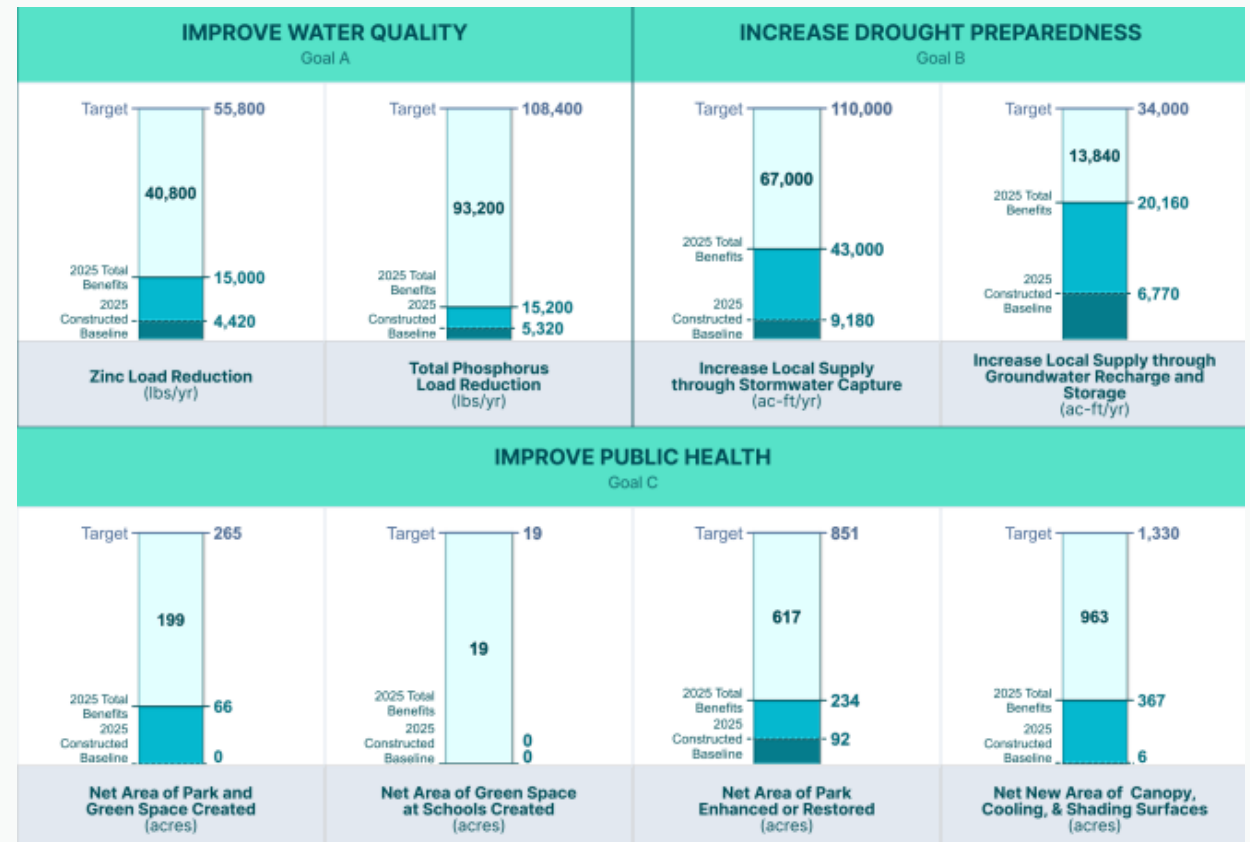
Number of Projects, Studies, Concepts and Program Activities Funded to date
Municipal up to FY23-24 and Regional Program up to SIP FY25-26

Number of
Projects Funded

300+

Number of Projects
Constructed

46



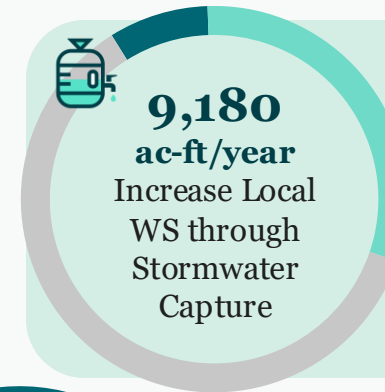
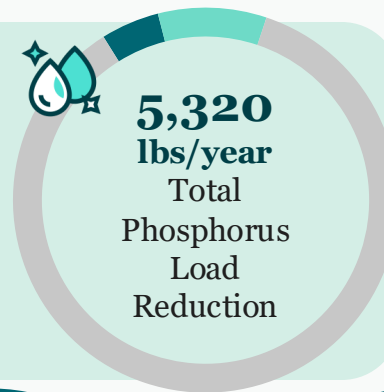
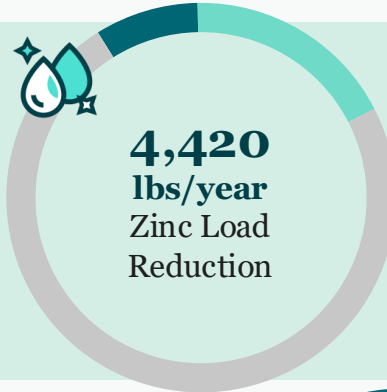
See [SCWP Planning Dashboard](#) for more details.

SCW Program Highlights – Countywide Benefits from Constructed Projects



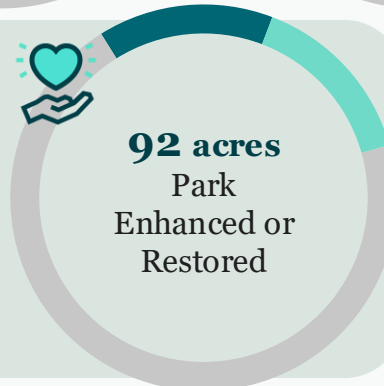
The **46**
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provide multiple
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IMPROVE
WATER
QUALITY



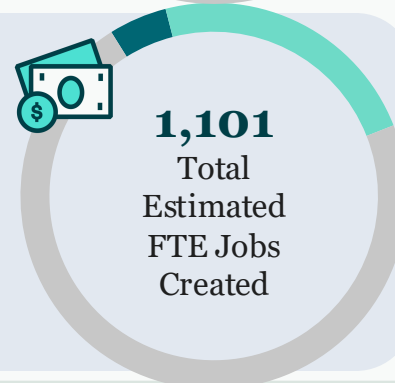
INCREASE
DROUGHT
PREPAREDNESS

IMPROVE
PUBLIC
HEALTH



DELIVER MULTI-
BENEFITS WITH
NBS & DIVERSE
PROJECTS

PROMOTE
GREEN JOBS &
CAREER
PATHWAYS



Anticipated constructed benefits



Constructed Projects



Planned Projects

Note: As of Feb 2026; next update in Feb 2027, following annual reporting

Program Administration Updates

SCW Program – Administration Updates

1. Watershed Planning & Adaptive Management

- Community Strengths & Needs Assessment
- 2026 Biennial Progress Report Update – Interagency Task Force

2. Regional Program

3. Municipal Program

4. District Program

5. SCWP Project Highlight

6. Upcoming SCWP Deadlines



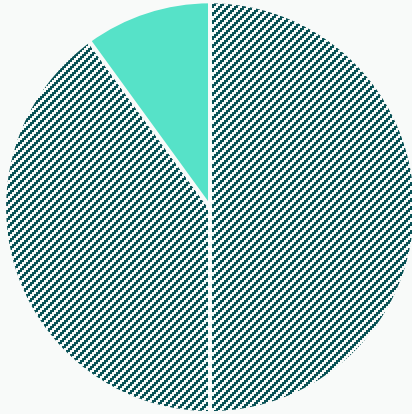
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SCW District Program Focus & Updates

SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM
2026



SCW District Program – Overview



10% Program Revenue
≈\$28M

Funding provides District-wide
regional support and programs

- Program Administration
- District Projects
- Technical Assistance
- District Planning & Studies
- Education Programs
 - Public education
 - Workforce training
 - School education

SCW Program – Audit Timelines

District Program Audit

- District-wide financial and compliance audit
- Covers District's overall SCWP implementation and administration
- Conducted every 3 years*

Municipality Audit

- Municipal-specific financial and compliance audit of funded activities
- Responsibility of the Municipality
- Conducted every 3 years

Regional Project Audit

- Project-specific financial and compliance audit
- Responsibility of the Developer
- Due 9 months after funded activity completion

FY19-20

FY20-21

FY21-22

FY22-23

FY23-24

FY24-25

FY25-26

FY26-27

FY27-28

FY28-29

Previous District Program Audit Period
No Material Findings

Current District Program Audit Period*

Next District Program Audit Period

Previous Municipality Audit Period

Current Municipality Audit Period

Next Municipality Audit Period

*Next District Program Audit is in progress and will cover four-year period to align with Municipal Audit timeline

SCW District Program – FY2024-25 Annual Report

Activity	FY2019-2025
A: Total Funds Available FY2019-2025	\$229.4M
SCW Program Tax Collection	\$167.1M
Interest Accrued for SCW Program	\$62.3M
B: Total Allocation FY2019-2025	\$146.1M
Program Administration	\$58.3M
District Projects	\$65.3M
Technical Assistance (<i>Supplemental Assistance for TRPs</i>)	\$0.6M
District Planning & Studies	\$10.8M
Educational Programs	\$11.1M
C: Total Estimated Ending Balance - Rollover for Start of FY2025-26 (A-B)	\$83.3M

SCW District Program – Program Administration & Technical Assistance

- Management & Facilitation of the **Regional Oversight Committee**
- Management & Facilitation of the **Scoring Committee & WASCs** — including formation, management, and facilitation
 - Support over **171** committee members, **12** Watershed Coordinators across the region
 - Facilitate approximately **80** public governance meetings annually
- Development & Management of SCW Program **Portal, Data and Tools**
- Development of Program **Guidance & Guidelines**
- Management of **Technical Assistance Teams** for Technical Resources Program
 - **57** approved/recommended TRPs to date
- **Technical Assistance** for Watershed Coordinators, applicants, project developers

Stormwater Investment Plan Preview

	Budget		Projections				Annual O&M
	FY24-25	FY25-26	FY26-27	FY27-28	FY28-29	TOTAL	
A.1 Anticipated Annual Regional Program Funds Collected	\$16.5M	\$16.5M	\$16.5M	\$16.5M	\$16.5M	\$82.7M	
A.2 Carryover from Previous SIP	\$5.6M	\$2.9M	\$8.4M	\$17.1M	\$31.4M		
A.3. Removed Projects and Unused TRP Funds	\$1.1M	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
A. Anticipated Regional Program Funds Available (A.1 + A.2 + A.3)	\$23.3M	\$19.5M	\$24.9M	\$33.7M	\$47.9M		
B.1 Total Allocated in Previous SIP(s)	\$15M	\$7.6M	\$5.8M	\$301k	\$200k	\$28.9M	\$2.6M
B.2 Total Recommendation in Current SIP	\$5.4M	\$3.4M	\$2M	\$2M	\$84.6k	\$12.9M	\$1.4M
B. Total Allocated and Recommendation in SIP (B.1 + B.2)	\$20.4M	\$11.1M	\$7.8M	\$2.3M	\$285k	\$41.8M	Total: \$4M
C. Carryover in Current SIP (A - B)	\$2.9M	\$8.4M	\$17.1M	\$31.4M	\$47.7M		
D. Percent Allocated (B / A)	87%	57%	31%	7%	1%	47%	



SCW District Program – Program Administration & Technical Assistance

- Review & Approval of **Applications, Reporting, PMRs, Audits, & Transfer Agreements**
 - **237** Projects and Studies totaling approximately **1000** documents annually
 - **86** Municipalities totaling over **200** documents annually
- **Disbursement** of Regional & Municipal Funds
- Management of **Tax Collection & Tax Relief** Programs
 - Approved over **400** appeals, nearly **2,000** income-based exemptions and reductions, and over **20** Credit Applications
- Management of the **Credit Trading Program**
- Development of **Program-wide Reporting**
 - SIPs, Biennial Progress Report, WARPPs, etc.
- **Regional Coordination & Watershed Coordinators**
- Independent **Review of Scientific Studies**
- **Regional Project Partnership Services** with Municipalities
- Update and Maintain **Website** and Other **Communication Tools**



SCW District Program – FY2024-25 Annual Report

District Projects



Project	Allocations FY2019-2025
Cogswell Reservoir Post-Fire Emergency Restoration Project	\$55.0M
LA River Segment B – Load Reduction Strategy Project	\$10.3M
TOTAL	\$65.3M

Planning and Studies



Plan / Study	Allocations FY2019-2025
Metrics and Monitoring Study	\$2.9M
Watershed Planning Initiative	\$7.6M
Scientific Studies Peer Reviews	\$0.3M
TOTAL	\$10.8M

SCW District Program – FY2024-25 Annual Report

Education Programs



Activity	Allocations FY2019-2025
Water for LA Campaign	\$850K
Community Outreach Vehicle	\$232K
Grants Program Pilot	\$10M
Total	\$11.1M

SCW District Program – *Coming Soon* – FY2025-26 Annual Report

- Report will be available December 2026

District Program Focus Areas from FY2025-26

- Initiating Scoring Criteria Revisions
- Post-Construction Monitoring Guidelines
- Initiating efforts to integrate NBS into the Watershed Plans
- O&M Technical Working Group
- Regional Project Partnership Services with Municipalities
- Creation of the Scientific Advisory Panel
- Initiating DEO Workforce Development Partnership
- Initiating Schools Education Vision Document and Design Guidelines
- Eaton Wash Dam Post-Fire Emergency Project



SCW District Program – FY2026-27 Annual Plan

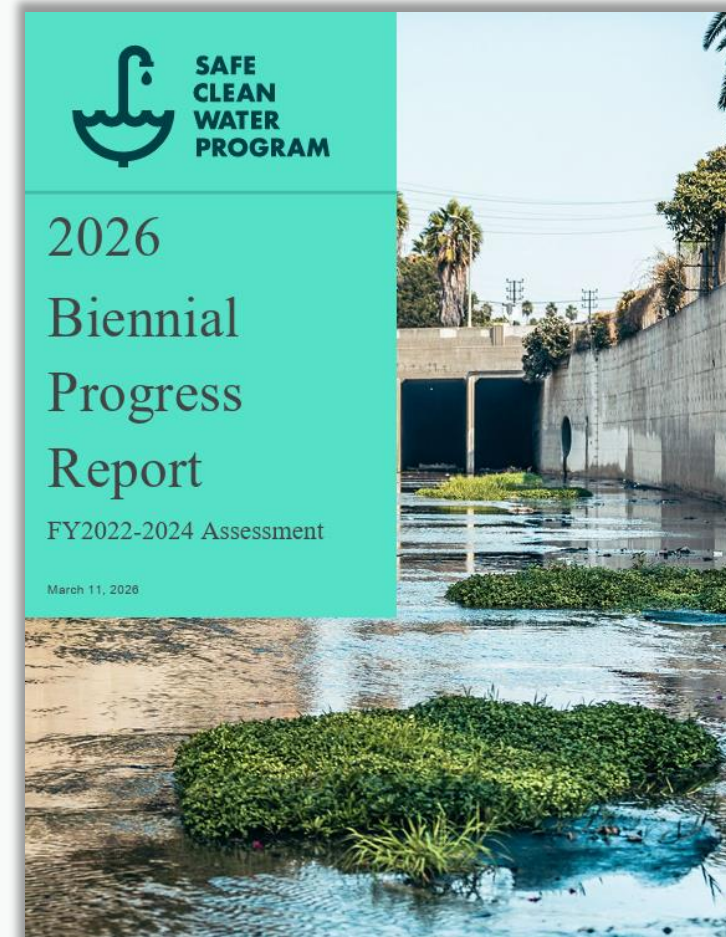
Activity	FY2026-2027
Program Administration	\$18.0M
District Projects	\$55.8M
Technical Assistance	\$1.0M
District Planning & Studies	\$300K
Educational Programs	\$8.0M
Estimated Total Allocation for FY2026-2027	\$83.1M

SCW District Program – FY2026-27 Annual Plan

Program Administration & Technical Assistance

Key Focus Areas for FY2026-27

- Financial Forecasting
- Streamlined and Consolidated Program Guidance
- Map and Dashboard enhancements
- Integrating Regional Monitoring
- Refining Scoring Criteria
- Expanding opportunities for access & participation
- Supporting Municipal staffing challenges
- Improving Municipal Program transparency
- Regional Project Partnership Services with Municipalities
- Facilitation of the Scientific Advisory Panel



SCW District Program – FY2026-27 Annual Plan

District Projects



Project	FY2026-27 Projected Amounts
Baldwin Lake & Tule Pond Restoration Project	\$36.8M
Eaton Wash Dam Post-Fire Emergency Project	\$19.0M
TOTAL	\$55.8M

Planning and Studies



Plan / Study	FY2026-27 Projected Amounts
Science Symposium / Conference	\$150k
Scientific Studies Peer Reviews	\$150k
TOTAL	\$300k

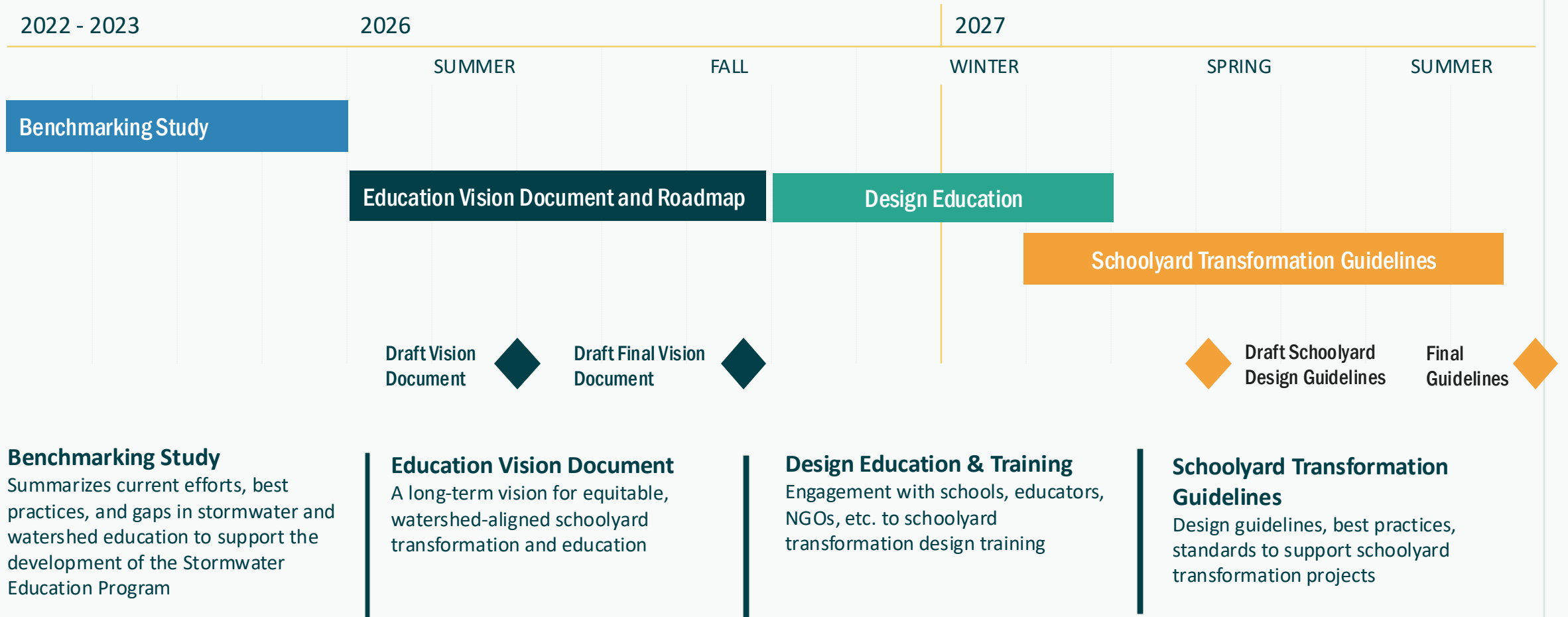
SCW District Program – FY2026-27 Annual Plan

Education Programs



Activity	FY2026-27 Projected Amounts	Goals
Generation Earth	\$250K	K-12 Education
Discovery Cube Los Angeles	\$1.5M	Public Education K-12 Education
Department of Economic Opportunity Workforce Training	\$2.0M	Workforce
Grants Program 2.0	\$3.0M	Public Education K-12 Education Workforce
Potential District workforce partnership pilots	\$1.25M	Workforce
Total	\$8.0M	

SCW District Program – Stormwater Schools Education Program



SCW District Program – Stormwater Schools Education Program

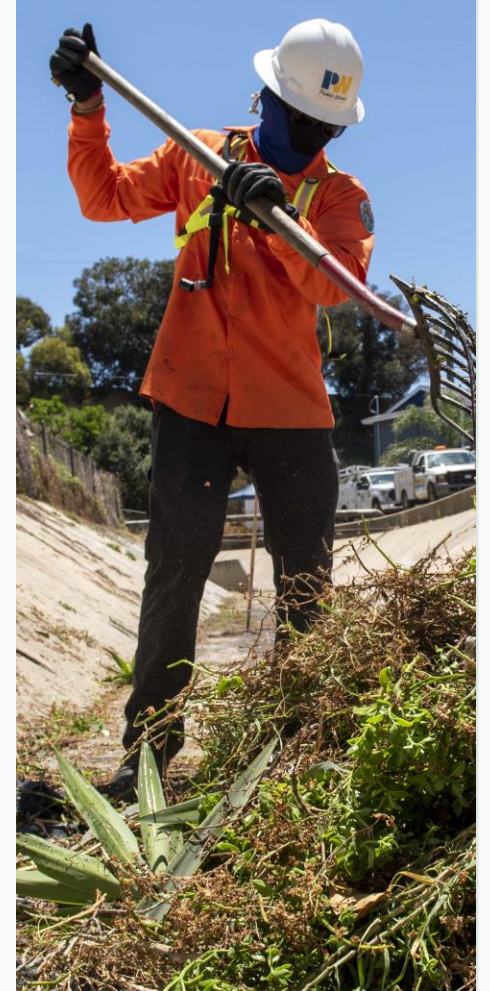
- **Listening Sessions** are underway and serve as an initial checkpoint with key stakeholders — including the ROC, NGOs, Watershed Coordinators, School Districts, Developers, and more — to ensure the SCWP is considering the full range of opportunities, challenges, and existing efforts and working toward a shared vision.
- Additional engagement workshops for the **Education Vision Document** and **Schoolyard Transformation Guidelines** are planned as efforts progress.



SCW District Program – Workforce Development Program

Objectives

- Train a workforce available to other **Municipalities & Private Contractors** for SCWP Projects and Programs
- **Establish Pathways** for those with traditional barriers to employment
- **Connect People & Communities** to training, jobs and careers
- Connect a trained workforce with available **Long-Term Jobs** and **Career Pathways**
- **Build, Operate & Maintain** SCWP Projects with a qualified workforce



SCW District Program – Workforce Development Program

DEO Partnership Overview

Construction H RTP

- Expands existing H RTP to provide training and support services to 100 participants for stormwater construction and infrastructure projects.

O&M H RTP

- Develop new H RTP to provide training and support services to approximately 75 participants for operations, maintenance, and other occupations related to SCWP projects.



SCW District Program – Workforce Development Program

Piloting Partnerships for Regional Impacts

1

Building a Green Infrastructure Workforce in the LA Region Pilot

PROGRAM LEAD

City of Pasadena, Public Works

PROGRAM APPROACH

Build upon the existing Clean Water Certificate Training Program and Municipal Assistance, Solutions, and Hiring (MASH) Program models to develop a Los Angeles-specific GI maintenance curriculum and instructor training program

Estimated Investment: \$1.8 million
Implementation Period: 2026–2031

2

Living Schoolyard Operations and Maintenance Training Pilot

PROGRAM LEAD

Amigos de los Rios

PROGRAM APPROACH

Develop and evaluate a multi-stakeholder O&M training program to support long-term care of living schoolyards and promote broader adoption of school-based green infrastructure.

Estimated Investment: \$984,000
Implementation Period: 2027–2029

SCW District Program – Grants Program Pilot – Overview & Success

- \$10 million approved for design, administration, and grantmaking for the initial Grants Program Pilot. Entered a Sole Source agreement with the Water Foundation.
- Pilot was launched in September 2024.
 - Grantee work completed July 31, 2026.
 - Included grants for work ranging from symposiums, videos, training water advocates, community events, educational workshops and more.
 - Water Foundation will evaluate the program and lessons learned by October 31, 2026

Metric	Funding Overview
Total Applications Received	92
Total Grant Funding Requested	\$15.9 M
Total Applications Funded	52
Total Grant Funding Allocated	\$8.5 M



SCW District Program – Grants Program – Looking Ahead

Building on the success of the initial Pilot, SCWP is currently preparing for the continuation, evolution, and growth of the Grants Program:

- Competitive bid process to secure an administrator for continuation of the program
 - Scope of Work and Request for Proposals document preparations
- Proposes to include
 - Public & Community Engagement Grants
 - Workforce Development Grants
 - Schools Education Grants
- A more continuous program operation

SCW District Program – Regional Coordination

During the 2019 SCWP implementation ordinance development, public comments suggested a need for "regional coordination" across the Program's many elements.

SCW Program created Regional Coordination to:

- Improve consistency across SCW Program
- Ensure implementation occurs effectively

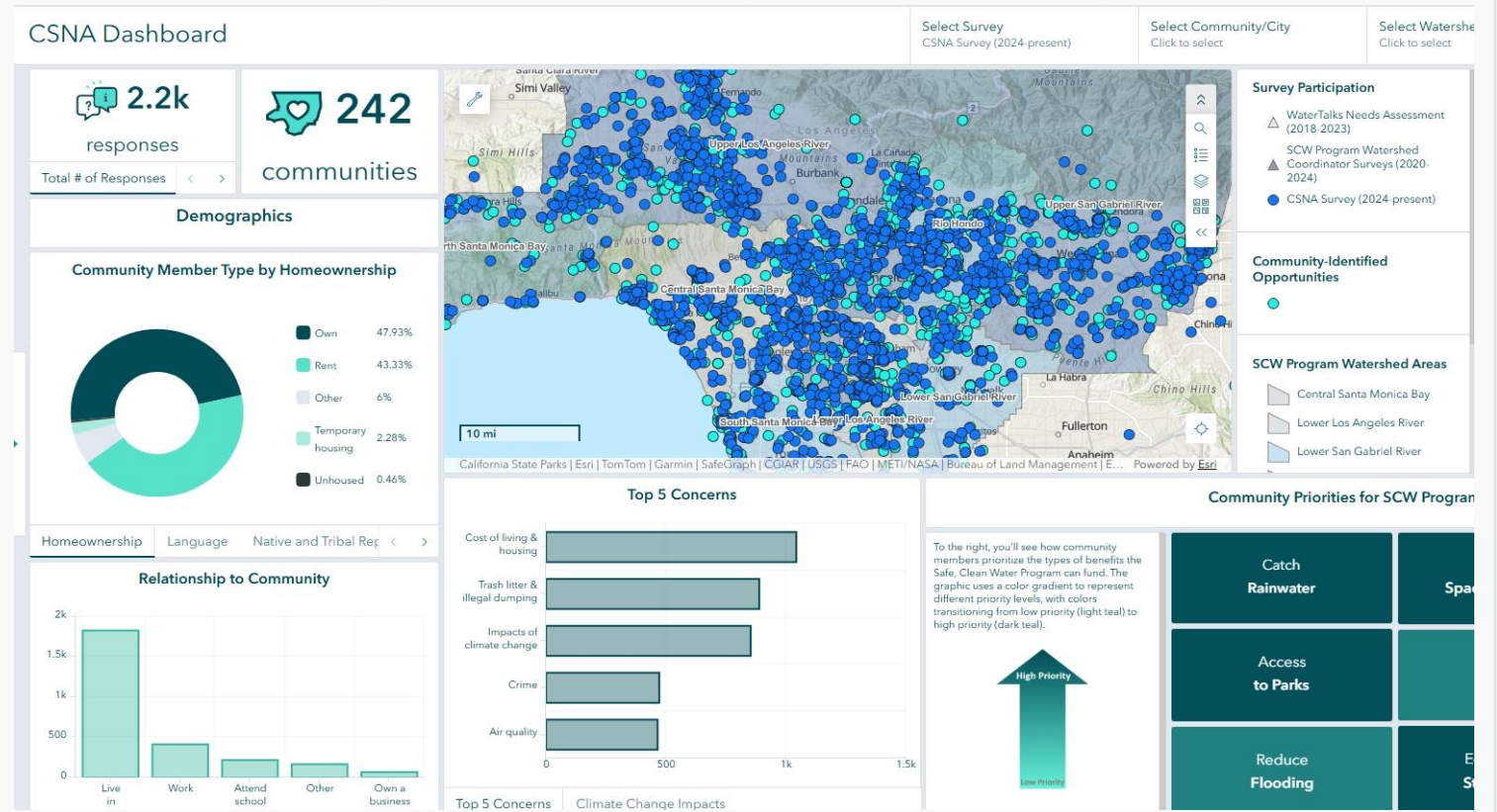
Since 2020, that Regional Coordination capacity has supported across many tasks including staffing governance committees, providing technical assistance, contributing to guidance and adaptive management, and promoting knowledge sharing across the Program.



SCW District Program – Regional Coordination

Providing Technical Assistance

- Spatial Data Library
- Quarterly leverage funding report and matrix
- Infrastructure Project leveraged funding assessments
- Community Strengths and Needs Assessment (CSNA) and dashboard
- Direct assistance to Watershed Coordinators, applicants, project developers



SCW District Program – Regional Coordination

Enhancing Collaboration

- Staffing governance committees – 9 WASCs, ROC, Scoring Committee
- Shifting to a more proactive project solicitation and deliberation process
 - SIP guidance and long-term planning
 - Engagement efforts during Metrics & Monitoring Study
 - Watershed Planning workshops
 - Implementing community engagement and NBS guidance
- Monthly Watershed Coordinator Convenings
 - Peer and in-service learning
 - Recent topics include schoolyard greening, native plants, and project identification
- Identifying regional collaboration opportunities



SCW District Program – Regional Coordination

Enhancing Regional Situational Awareness

- Contributing to Program guidance and adaptive management
- Helping Watershed Coordinators advance regional and watershed-level priorities
- Updating committees on regional planning initiatives and local/ state/ federal funding priorities
- Providing insight into how SCW work can be integrated into other county planning initiatives and efforts (e.g. school greening, fire resilience)



FUNDING REPORT

Quarter 3 – January 2026

Leveraged funding is a key program goal in the Safe, Clean Water (SCW) Program Implementation Ordinance (Chapter 18.04). Watershed Coordinators play a supporting role in "identifying" potential partners and additional sources of funding to augment and leverage SCW Program revenues for Safe, Clean Water Regional Program projects (Chapter 18.07). This funding report provides a landscape overview of recent funding policy highlights and shares currently active and upcoming funding opportunities that may be relevant to Safe, Clean Water Program infrastructure projects.

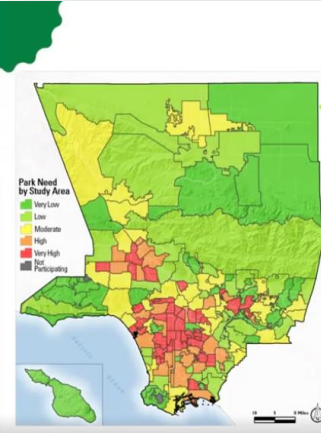
For more information, please contact SafeCleanWaterLA@pw.lacounty.gov.

POLICY HIGHLIGHTS

State Highlights

On January 9, 2026, California Governor Gavin Newsom released the [proposed Fiscal Year \(FY\) 2026-27 budget](#) to the Legislature. The proposed budget will undergo revisions and will be implemented beginning July 1, 2026. The Governor proposed a budget with a deficit of \$2.9 billion due to additional commitments including "constitutional funding requirements, the need for an adequate discretionary budget reserve, and higher program cost." Others, such as the nonpartisan [Legislative Analyst's Office](#), assert that the proposed budget may be based on higher revenues than anticipated, not accounting for factors such as a potential stock market downturn.

The Governor's budget also includes proposed [Climate Bond](#) expenditures for FY 2026-27 (Table 1).



Park Need by Study Area

- Very Low
- Low
- Moderate
- High
- Very High
- Not Participating

"The programs funded under this measure will increase the accessibility of public lands, park facilities, and park amenities to the people of Los Angeles County, especially to those living in high-need and very-high need Study Areas."

MEASURE A

Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks, Open Space, Beaches, Rivers Protection, and Water Conservation Measure of 2016

75%	\$120 M
Voter Approved	Annual Revenue
1.8 CENTS	188
Per Sq Ft of Improved Property	Study Areas

Out-Years	
Nancy Shrodes (the first)	\$1,809
Ryana Fossum (the first)	\$769
	\$814
	\$99
	\$611
Mike Adams (starting)	\$57
	\$199
Marina Vardi	\$249
	\$4,606

to Safe, Clean and accepting

1

SCW District Program – Proactive Leadership & Looking Ahead

Progress & Impact



- Funds allocated across administration, projects, plans, studies, and education programs
- Program Administration and Regional Coordination teams continue to support committees, Watershed Coordinators, guidance development, and provide technical assistance.
- Supports project and program development across all subprograms to advance SCWP goals



FY26-27 Focus Areas

- Expanding Education Programs – workforce partnerships, Generation Earth, Grants Program 2.0, etc.
- Continued enhancements to guidance, dashboards, scoring criteria, municipal support, and monitoring.



Discussion



Agenda Item 9

Ad Hoc Workforce Development Subcommittee

SAFE CLEAN WATER PROGRAM
2026





Discussion

SCW Program Regional Oversight Committee Upcoming Meetings & Locations

October 14, 2026 – Cancelled

November 18, 2026 – City of Los Angeles, Media Center

December – Winter Recess



Thank you

QUESTIONS?

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