

Regional Coordination of the Safe, Clean Water Program & Watershed Coordinators



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- **Task 1: Develop (coordination of) Watershed Coordination**
 - Interviews with key stakeholders
 - Identify & augment digital library tools
 - Develop & document coordination program
 - Technical Assistance outreach materials
- **Task 2: Support WASC and District with regional coordination**
 - Attend WASC meetings, support WASC and District
 - WASC education (re: watershed management & coordination)
 - Onboard selected Watershed Coordinators
 - Convene monthly watershed coordinator meetings
 - Develop leverage resource tracking tool
- **Task 3: Project Management**





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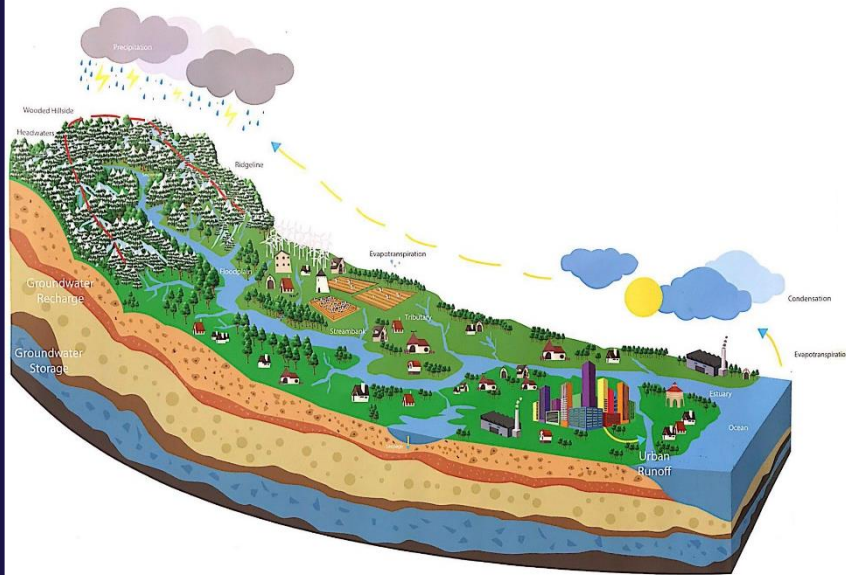
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Principals of Watershed Management



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- Water, land, and the relationship between
- Water where it flows, regardless of political boundaries
- Interdependence
 - Resilience anywhere is resilience everywhere
- Inclusive of all communities
- Adaptive Management
 - Plan, implement, monitor, assess, repeat...

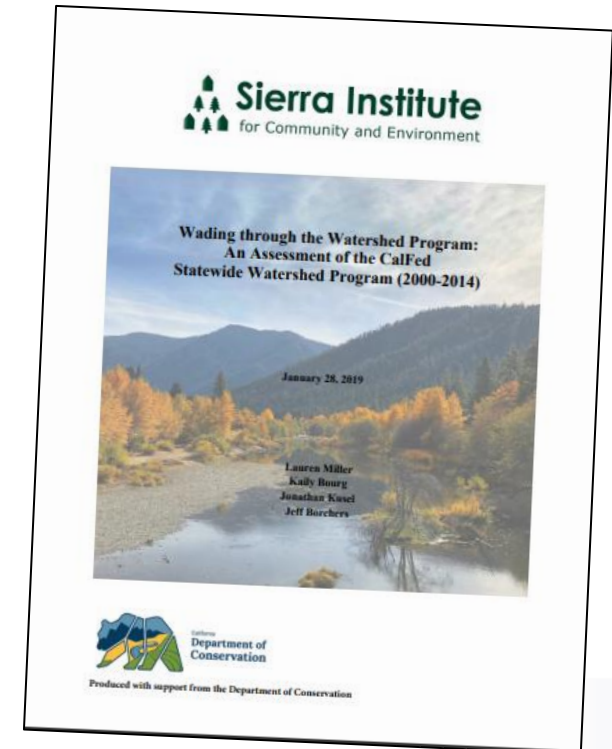


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Watershed Coordination in CA

- 2000 – 2014
 - CalFED, then Department of Conservation
 - Watershed Program Grants
 - Projects: about \$64M
 - Coordinators: about \$28.5M
- Today:
 - Forest Health Watershed Coordinators
 - Safe Clean Water Program
 - Others...

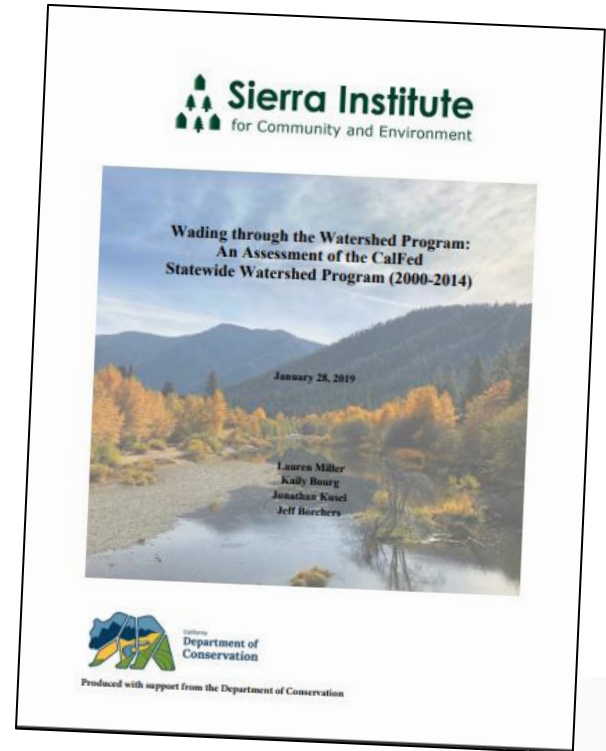


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Watershed Coordination principles

- Capacity Building
 - Watershed education
 - Information sharing
 - Grant-writing / funding development
- Facilitate partnerships
 - Coordination among decision-makers, managers, and stakeholders
 - Mediate conflicts
 - *Situational awareness*
- Watershed planning & assessment
 - Project & program development
 - Performance tracking



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Watershed Coordinators in SCWP

- “Consultants” to Flood Control District
- Non-voting member(s) of the WASC
- Funded by Regional allocation in each Stormwater Investment Plan
- Part of Technical Resources Program

Table 2. Watershed Coordinator Breakdown

Watershed Area	Total Population*	Watershed Coordinators
Central Santa Monica Bay	1,757,708	2
Lower Los Angeles River	895,933	1
Lower San Gabriel River	903,045	1
North Santa Monica Bay	71,764	1
Rio Hondo	744,634	1
Santa Clara River	286,114	1
South Santa Monica Bay	1,003,438	1
Upper Los Angeles River	2,969,577	3
Upper San Gabriel River	1,015,552	1

Per the program, the number of WC listed is a minimum, a WASC could decide to fund additional positions

*These figures are based on the 2016 US Census and will be updated periodically.



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Watershed Coordinators in SCWP

- **Technical Resource:**
 - Work with TA teams to bring resources to applicants and projects
 - Identify and help leverage non-SCWP funds
- **Project Development Facilitator:**
 - Daylight project concepts / opportunities
 - Coordinate multi-party activities
- **Educator / Communicator:**
 - Provide stakeholder outreach education
 - Convey community goals to decision-makers



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Questions for the Committee

- What do you know about the watershed that you think others might not know?
- Do you know of any plans that are relevant to the question you have before you?



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Watershed Context

Switch out of PowerPoint into
GIS to review Watershed Area



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