

Safe, Clean Water Program Goals and Policy Review



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SCWP (fourteen) Goals

18.04 - SCW Program Goals.

The Los Angeles Region Safe, Clean Water Program shall be implemented consistent with the following goals:



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- Improve water quality and contribute to attainment of water-quality requirements.
- Increase drought preparedness by capturing more Stormwater and/or Urban Runoff to store, clean, reuse, and/or recharge groundwater basins.
- Improve public health by preventing and cleaning up contaminated water, increasing access to open space, providing additional recreational opportunities, and helping communities mitigate and adapt to the effects of climate change through activities such as increasing shade and green space.
- Leverage other funding sources to maximize SCW Program Goals.
- Invest in infrastructure that provides multiple benefits.
- Prioritize Nature-Based Solutions.
- Provide a spectrum of project sizes from neighborhood to regional scales.

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- Encourage innovation and adoption of new technologies and practices.
- Invest in independent scientific research.
- Provide [disadvantaged community] Benefits, including Regional Program infrastructure investments, that are not less than one hundred and ten percent (110%) of the ratio of the [disadvantaged community] population to the total population in each Watershed Area.
- Provide Regional Program infrastructure funds benefitting each Municipality in proportion to the funds generated within their jurisdiction, after accounting for allocation of the one hundred and ten percent (110%) return to [disadvantaged communities], to the extent feasible.
- Implement an iterative planning and evaluation process to ensure adaptive management.
- Promote green jobs and career pathways.
- Ensure ongoing operations and maintenance for Projects.



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Regional Program

16.05 - D. Regional Program.

Infrastructure Program. This program shall implement Multi-Benefit watershed-based Projects that have a Water Quality Benefit, as well as, either a Water Supply Benefit or Community Investment Benefit, or both.

Infrastructure Program funds (*selected*):

- Shall be programmed, **to the extent feasible**, such that each Municipality **receives benefits in proportion to the funds generated** within their jurisdiction, after accounting for allocation of the one hundred ten percent (110%) return to [disadvantaged communities];
- Shall be programmed, **to the extent feasible**, such that **Nature-Based Solutions are prioritized**;
- Shall be prioritized and spent on **Projects that, to the extent feasible, assist in achieving compliance** with Order No. R4-2012-0175 (as amended...), NPDES Permit No. CAS004003...or successor permits issued by the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board.



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Benefits

16.03 - Definitions

F. "Community Investment Benefit" means a benefit created in conjunction with a Project or Program, such as, but not limited to: improved flood management, flood conveyance, or flood risk mitigation; creation, enhancement or restoration of parks, habitat or wetlands; improved public access to waterways; enhanced or new recreational opportunities; and greening of schools. A Community Investment Benefit also includes a benefit to the community derived from a Project or Program that improves public health by reducing heat island effect and increasing shade or planting of trees or other vegetation that increase carbon reduction/sequestration and improve air quality.

NN. "Water Quality Benefit" means a reduction in Stormwater or Urban Runoff pollution, such as improvements in the chemical, physical, and biological characteristics of Stormwater or Urban Runoff in the District. Activities resulting in this benefit include, but are not limited to: infiltration or treatment of Stormwater or Urban Runoff, non-point source pollution control, and diversion of Stormwater or Urban Runoff to a sanitary sewer system.

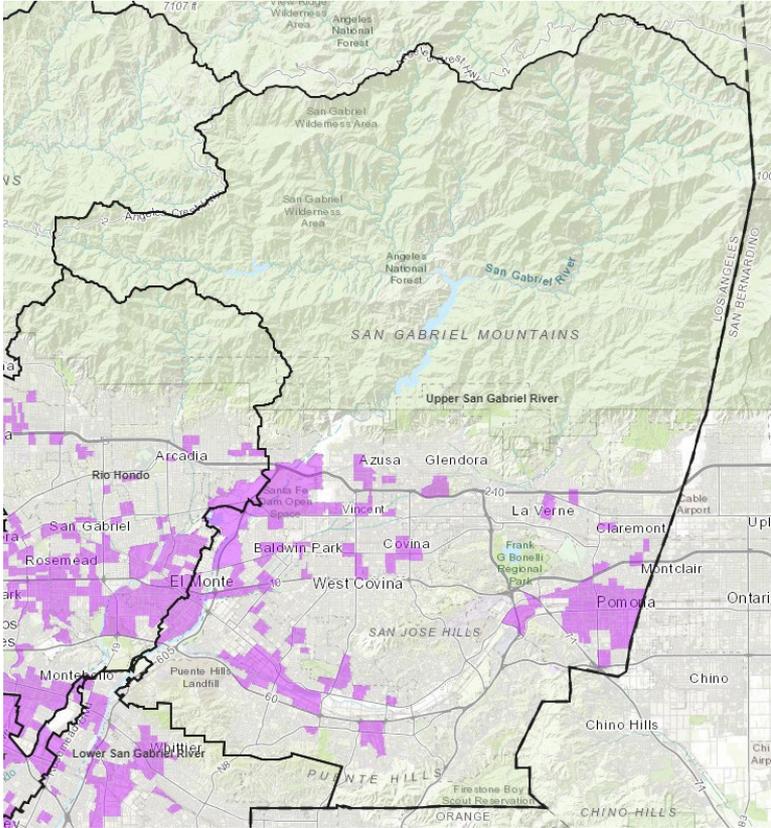
OO. "Water Supply Benefit" means an increase in the amount of locally available water supply, provided there is a nexus to Stormwater or Urban Runoff capture. Activities resulting in this benefit include, but are not limited to, the following: reuse and conservation practices, diversion of Stormwater or Urban Runoff to a sanitary sewer system for direct or indirect water recycling, increased groundwater replenishment or available yield, or offset of potable water use.



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Questions and Discussion



LA County Flood District Code Chapter 16

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LA County Flood District Code Chapter 18

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SCWP Digital Spatial Data Library

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