



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO



Natural Resources & Culture Committee

2013 Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan

Discussion Agenda Item No-9

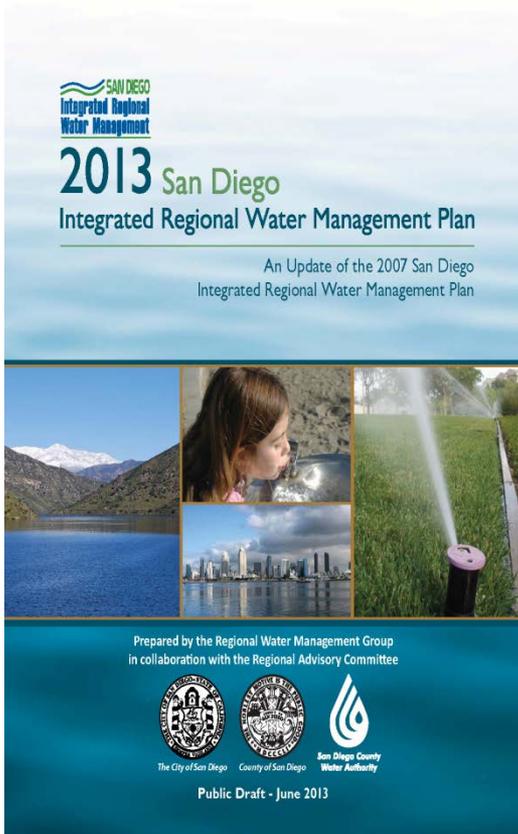
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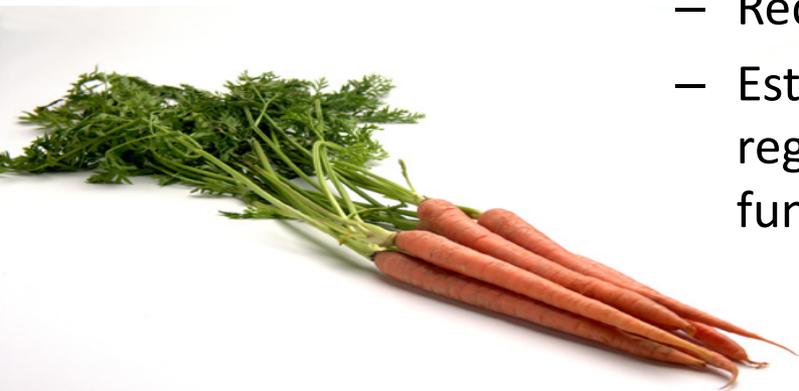
Management of San Diego's Integrated Region Water Management Program

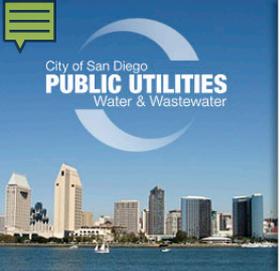


- San Diego's IRWM Program is managed by a Regional Water Management Group (RWMG), consisting of:
 - City of San Diego (Public Utilities Department)
 - County of San Diego
 - San Diego County Water Authority
- 2013 IRWM Plan updates 2007 IRWM Plan
 - Update is required to remain eligible for future IRWM grant funding from the State
 - Governing bodies of all three RWMG agencies must approve IRWM Plan by October 31, 2013

IRWM Grant Program

- Propositions 50 (2002) and 84 (2006)
 - Established \$1.5 billion grant funding for IRWM projects statewide
 - \$90 million is established for the San Diego region
 - Three rounds of grant solicitations have achieved regional project awards or pending awards of \$43 million to date
 - Round 3 grant opportunities estimated to be announced in late 2014 or early 2015
- Importance of San Diego's IRWM Plan
 - Required for IRWM grant funding eligibility
 - Establishes water management priorities for the region, thereby establishing priorities for grant funding

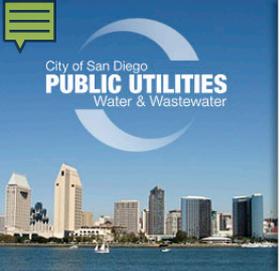




Key to IRWM is “Integration”

- Vision
 - *An integrated, balanced, and consensus-based approach to ensuring the long-term sustainability of the Region's water supply, water quality, and natural resources*

- IRWM Goals
 1. Improve the reliability and sustainability of regional water supplies
 2. Protect and enhance water quality
 3. Protect and enhance our watersheds and natural resources
 4. Promote and support sustainable integrated water resource management



2013 Integrated Region Water Management Plan

- Extensive stakeholder involvement process for IRWM Plan Update
 - 1.5 years of workshops, workgroups, and other outreach efforts
- Public Review Period
 - June 20, 2013 through July 31, 2013
 - Comments received from 16 local agencies, 6 non-governmental agencies, and 4 residents
- Informational Presentation to NR&C
 - July 31, 2013
 - Direction received to expand discussion related to wastewater management and potable reuse

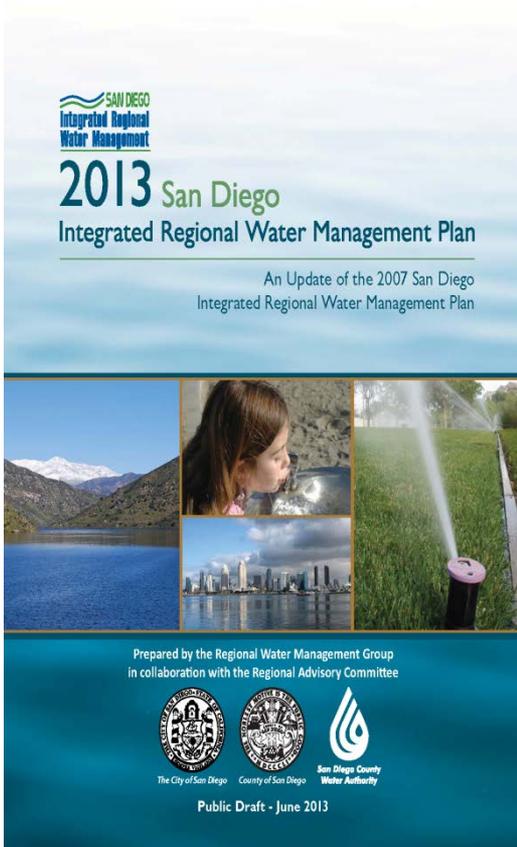


Next Steps



- **September 6, 2013**
 - Revised final draft IRWM Plan issued online
 - Incorporates changes requested by NR&C Committee
- **October 2, 2013**
 - Regional Advisory Committee consideration of the 2013 IRWM Plan
- **October 8, 2013**
 - Tentatively scheduled date for full Council consideration of the 2013 IRWM Plan

Staff Recommendation



- Adopt the 2013 Integrated Regional Water Management Plan



Back-up Slides

IRWM Program's Regional Advisory Committee

- Regional Advisory Committee

- 28 voting and 6 non-voting members
- Representing water supply, water quality, watersheds & natural resources, disadvantaged communities, and others



- August 7, 2013

- IRWM Program's Advisory Committee reviewed and unanimously approved:
 - outline of edits to be made to the draft IRWM Plan to address public comments received, including those received from the Metropolitan Wastewater Commission JPA