

Middle Santa Ana River Watershed Fact Sheet

The tributary drainage area to the Middle Santa Ana River Watershed is 480 square miles. Major tributaries to the Santa Ana River (Reaches 3 and 4) include: Temescal Creek (Reaches 1-6), Day Creek, San Sevaine Channel, Box Springs Channel, and Anza Channel.

The Stormwater and Water Conservation Tracking Tool (Geodatabase) located here:
<http://rivco.permitrack.com/>

MS4 Permittees: RCFC&WCD, County of Riverside, and Cities of Riverside, Corona, Norco, Eastvale and Jurupa Valley.

Landuse Data:

Population (2010 census data): 586,598 people

Percent Approximate Land Use by Category: Open (Forest Service, Parks, Open Space)- 55% , Commercial/Industrial-7%, Residential (Rural, Urban)-35%, Agriculture-3%

Regional Imperviousness Approximate Percentage: 42 % impervious, 58% pervious

Waterbodies: Santa Ana River, Day Creek, Temescal Creek, Coldwater Canyon Creek, Bedford Canyon Creek, Dawson Canyon Creek, San Timoteo Wash, Little San Gorgonio Creek, Anza Channel, Sunnyslope Channel, Tequesquite Arroyo (Sycamore Creek), Chino Creek, Mill Creek, Cucamonga Creek, Lake Evans, Lake Mathews, Lee Lake, Lake Norconian, and Mockingbird Reservoir

Habitat Areas: Refer to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Critical Habitat, Western Region Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (WRMSHCP) Potential Survey Areas, and Stephens Kangaroo Rat Habitat Conservation Plan (SKRHCP) layers in the Geodatabase (<http://rivco.permitrack.com/>).

Groundwater Basins: Refer to the Groundwater Data layers in the Geodatabase (<http://rivco.permitrack.com/>)

Development requirements: Follow the October 22, 2012 WQMP guidelines locate at <http://rcflood.org/NPDES/SantaAnaWS.aspx#SAdocs>

Drainage Channels: Refer to the Stormwater Data layer for District facilities and City Storm Drains in the Geodatabase (<http://rivco.permitrack.com/>)

Beneficial Uses: Refer to the Santa Ana Region Board website for updates to Beneficial Uses (http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/santaana/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/index.shtml)

| Watershed Management Areas | Beneficial Uses |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| Santa Ana River, Reach 3, | AGR, GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD, RARE, SPWN |
| Santa Ana River, Reach 4 | GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD, RARE, SPWN |

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| Day Creek | MUN, PROC, GWR, REC1, REC2, COLD, WILD |
| Cucamonga Creek, Reach 1 | GWR, REC2, LWRM, WILD |
| Mill Creek (Prado Area) | REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD, RARE |
| San Timoteo Wash Reach 3 | GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |
| Little San Gorgonio Creek | MUN, GWR, REC1, REC2, COLD, WILD |
| Anza Park Drain | MUN, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD, SPWN |
| Sunnyslope Channel | MUN, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD, RARE, SPWN |
| Tequesquite Arroyo (Sycamore Creek) | GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD, SPWN |
| Chino Creek, Reach 1A | REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD, RARE |
| Chino Creek, Reach 1B | REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD, RARE |
| Temescal Creek – Reach 1a | REC2, WARM, WILD |
| Temescal Creek – Reach 1b | REC2, WARM, WILD |
| Temescal Creek – Reach 2 | AGR, IND, GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |
| Temescal Creek – Reach 3 | See Lee Lake |
| Temescal Creek – Reach 4 | AGR, GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD, RARE |
| Temescal Creek – Reach 5 | AGR, GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD, RARE |
| Temescal Creek – Reach 6 | INTERMITTENT - GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |
| Coldwater Canyon Creek | MUN, AGR, GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |
| Bedford Canyon Creek | INTERMITTENT - GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |
| Dawson Canyon Creek | INTERMITTENT - MUN, GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |
| Lake Evans | REC1, REC2, WARM, COLD, WILD |
| Lee Lake | AGR, IND, GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |
| Lake Mathews | MUN, AGR, IND, PROC, GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD, RARE |
| Mockingbird Reservoir | AGR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |
| Lake Norconian | REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |

2010 303(d) Impairments

(http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/santaana/water_issues/programs/tmdl/docs/303d/2010_303d.pdf):

| Waterbody | Pollutants | Potential Sources |
|--|--|---|
| Chino Creek Reach 1A (Santa Ana River R5 cnfl to just downstream of confl with Mill Creek) | Nutrients Pathogens | Agriculture; Dairies Agriculture; Dairies; Urban Runoff/Storm Sewers |
| Cucamonga Creek Reach 1 (Valley Reach) | Cadmium Coliform Bacteria Copper Lead | Source Unknown Unknown Nonpoint Source Source Unknown Source Unknown |

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| | Zinc | Source Unknown |
| Mill Creek (Prado Area) | Nutrients Pathogens Total Suspended Solids (TSS) | Agriculture; Dairies Dairies Dairies |
| Santa Ana River, Reach 3 | Copper Lead Pathogens | Source Unknown Source Unknown Dairies |
| Santa Ana River, Reach 4 | Pathogens | Non-point Source |
| Temescal Creek, Reach 1 | pH | Source Unknown |
| Temescal Creek, Reach 6 | Indicator Bacteria | Source Unknown |

Approved TMDLs:

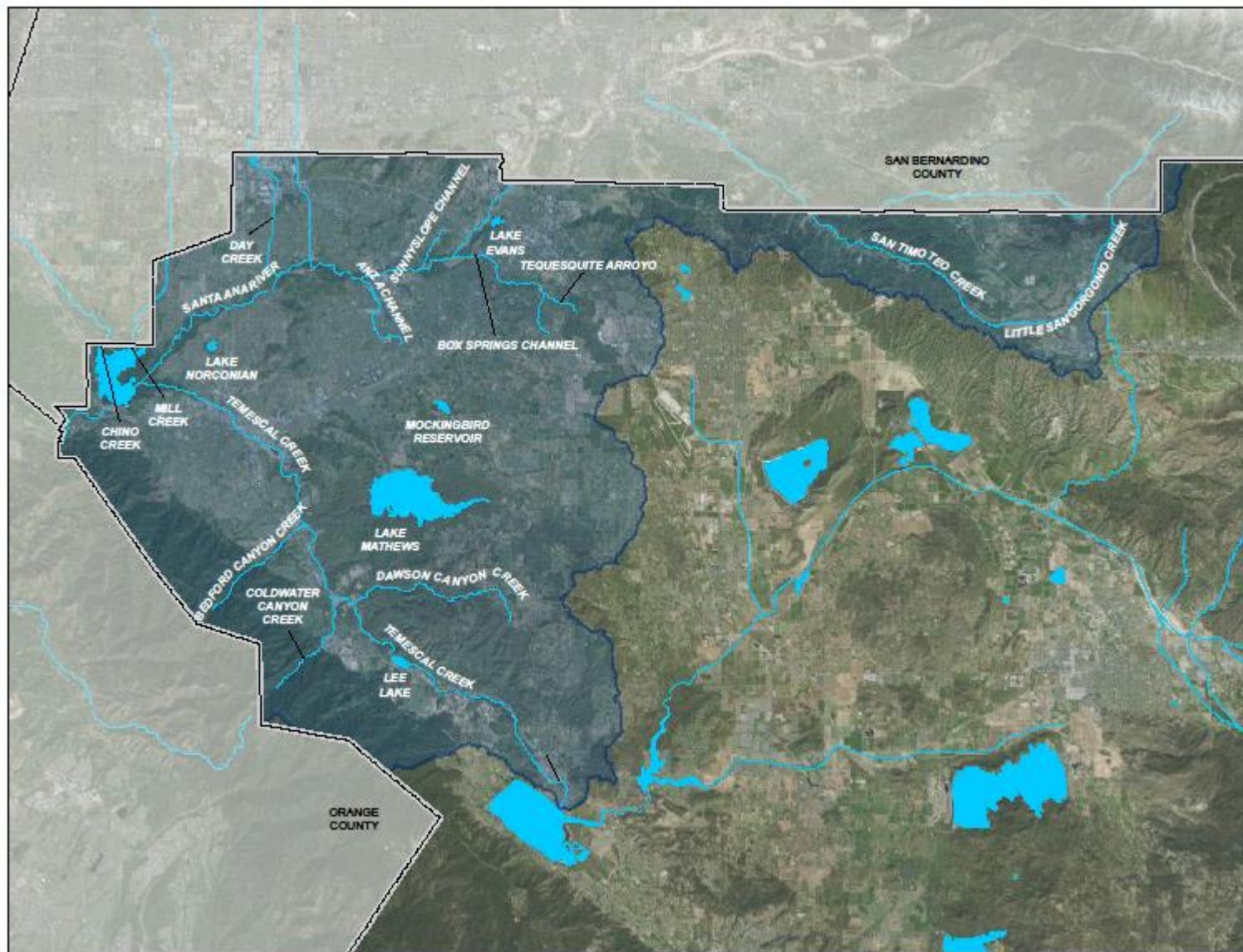
- **Santa Ana River, Reach 3:** Bacterial Indicators

A Comprehensive Bacteria Reduction Plan (CBRP), has been developed for the TMDL listed above and is located here: http://rcflood.org/downloads/NPDES/Documents/SA_Other/CBRP.pdf

Water Quality Objectives (mg/L): Refer to the Santa Ana Region Board website for updates to Water Quality Objectives (http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/santaana/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/index.shtml)

| | Total Dissolved Solids | Hardness | Sodium | Chloride | Total Inorganic Nitrogen | Sulfate | Chemical Oxygen Demand |
|--|------------------------|----------|--------|----------|--------------------------|---------|------------------------|
| Santa Ana River Reach 3-Base Flow ¹ | 700 | 350 | 110 | 140 | 10 ² | 150 | 30 |
| Santa Ana River Reach 4 | 550 | --- | --- | --- | 10 | --- | 30 |
| Day Creek | 200 | 100 | 15 | 4 | 4 | 25 | 5 |
| Little San Geronio Creek | 230 | 125 | 50 | 40 | 3 | 45 | 5 |
| Yucaipa Creek | 290 | 175 | 60 | 60 | 6 | 45 | 15 |
| Chino Creek Reach 1A-Base Flow ³ | 700 | 350 | 110 | 140 | 10 ⁴ | 150 | 30 |
| Chino Creek Reach 1B | 550 | 240 | 75 | 75 | 8 | 60 | 15 |
| Coldwater Canyon Creek | 250 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Lake Norconian | 1050 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Lake Evans | 490 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Lake Mathews | 700 | 325 | 100 | 90 | --- | 290 | --- |
| Mockingbird Reservoir | 650 | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |

1. Additional Objectives: Boron 0.75 mg/l
2. Total nitrogen, filtered sample
3. Additional Objective: Boron 0.75 mg/l
4. Total nitrogen, filtered sample



San Jacinto River Watershed Fact Sheet

The 780 square mile watershed is regulated by several lakes and reservoirs including: Lake Elsinore, Canyon Lake, Lake Perris and Mystic Lake. Major tributaries include Bautista Creek, Poppet Creek, Potrero Creek, Perris Valley Drain and Salt Creek.

The Stormwater and Water Conservation Tracking Tool (Geodatabase) located here:

<http://rivco.permitrack.com/>

MS4 Permittees: RCFC&WCD, the County of Riverside, and Cities of Beaumont, Canyon Lake, Hemet, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Perris, and San Jacinto.

Landuse Data:

Population (2010 census data): 421,328 people

Percent Approximate Land Use by Category: Open (Forest Service, Parks, Open Space)- 67% , Commercial/Industrial-3%, Residential (Rural, Urban)-25%, Agriculture-5%

Regional Imperviousness Approximate Percentage: 27 % impervious, 73% pervious

Waterbodies: San Jacinto River, Bautista Creek, Strawberry Creek, Fuller Mill Creek, Stone Creek, Salt Creek, Logan, Black Mountain, Juaro Canyon, Indian, Herkey, Poppet and Potrero Creeks, Lake Elsinore, Canyon Lake, Lake Hemet, Lake Fulmor, and Lake Perris

Habitat Areas: Refer to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Critical Habitat Western Region Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan (WRMSHCP) Potential Survey Areas, and Stephens Kangaroo Rat Habitat Conservation Plan (SKRHCP) layers in the Geodatabase (<http://rivco.permitrack.com/>).

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Development requirements: Follow the October 22, 2012 WQMP guidelines locate at <http://rcflood.org/NPDES/SantaAnaWS.aspx#SAdocs>

Drainage Channels: Refer to the Stormwater Data layer for District facilities and City Storm Drains in the Geodatabase (<http://rivco.permitrack.com/>)

Beneficial Uses: Refer to the Santa Ana Region Board website for updates to Beneficial Uses (http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/santaana/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/index.shtml)

| Watershed Management Areas | Beneficial Uses |
|--|--|
| San Jacinto (San Jacinto River reaches 1 and 6) | INTERMITTENT - MUN, AGR, GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |
| San Jacinto (San Jacinto River reaches 3-5) | INTERMITTENT - AGR, GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |
| San Jacinto (San Jacinto River reach 2) | See Canyon Lake |
| San Jacinto (San Jacinto River reach 7) | MUN, AGR, GWR, REC1, REC2, COLD, WILD |
| Bautista Creek | MUN, AGR, GWR, REC1, REC2, COLD, WILD |
| Strawberry Creek and San Jacinto River, North Fork | MUN, AGR, GWR, REC1, REC2, COLD, WILD |

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| Fuller Mill Creek | MUN, AGR, GWR, REC1, REC2, COLD, WILD |
| Stone Creek | MUN, AGR, GWR, REC1, REC2, COLD, WILD |
| Salt Creek | INTERMITTENT - REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |
| Other Tributaries: Logan, Black Mountain, Juaro Canyon, Indian, Herkey, Poppet and Potrero Creeks, and other Tributaries to these Creeks | INTERMITTENT - MUN, AGR, GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |
| Lake Elsinore | REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |
| Canyon Lake (Railroad Canyon Reservoir) | MUN, AGR, GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, WILD |
| Lake Hemet | MUN, AGR, GWR, POW, REC1, REC2, WARM, COLD, WILD, SPWN |
| Lake Fulmor | MUN, AGR, REC1, REC2, WARM, COLD, WILD |
| Lake Perris | MUN, AGR, IND, PROC, GWR, REC1, REC2, WARM, COLD, WILD |

2010 303(d) Impairments

(http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/santaana/water_issues/programs/tmdl/docs/303d/2010_303d.pdf):

| Waterbody | Pollutants | Potential Sources |
|---|--|--|
| Canyon Lake (Railroad Canyon Reservoir) | Nutrients Pathogens | Non-point Source Non-point Source |
| Lake Elsinore | Nutrients Organic Enrichment/Low Dissolved Oxygen PCBs; Sediment Toxicity Unknown Toxicity | Unknown Non-point Source Unknown Non-point Source Source Unknown Source Unknown Unknown Non-point Source |
| Lake Fulmor | Pathogens | Unknown Non-point Source |

Approved TMDLs:

- **Canyon Lake:** Nutrients
- **Lake Elsinore:** Nutrients

A Comprehensive Nutrient Reduction Plan (CNRP), has been developed for the TMDLs listed above and is located here:

[http://rcflood.org/downloads/NPDES/Documents/SA_Other/Comprehensive Nutrient Reduction Plan for Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake.pdf](http://rcflood.org/downloads/NPDES/Documents/SA_Other/Comprehensive_Nutrient_Reduction_Plan_for_Lake_Elsinore_and_Canyon_Lake.pdf)

Water Quality Objectives (mg/L): Refer to the Santa Ana Region Board website for updates to Water Quality Objectives (http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/santaana/water_issues/programs/basin_plan/index.shtml)

| | Total Dissolved Solids | Hardness | Sodium | Chloride | Total Inorganic Nitrogen | Sulfate | Chemical Oxygen Demand |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|
| San Jacinto River Reach 1 | 450 | 260 | 50 | 65 | 3 | 60 | 15 |
| San Jacinto River Reach 3 | 820 | 400 | --- | 250 | 6 | --- | 15 |
| San Jacinto River Reach 4 ¹ | 500 | 220 | 75 | 125 | 5 | 65 | --- |
| San Jacinto River Reach 5 | 300 | 140 | 30 | 25 | 3 | 40 | 12 |
| San Jacinto River Reach 6 | 250 | 130 | 25 | 20 | 1 | 30 | 12 |
| San Jacinto River Reach 7 | 150 | 100 | 10 | 15 | 1 | 20 | 5 |
| Bautista Creek | 250 | 130 | 25 | 20 | 1 | 30 | 5 |
| Strawberry Creek and SJR North Fork | 150 | 100 | 10 | 15 | 1 | 20 | 5 |
| Fuller Mill Creek | 150 | 100 | 10 | 15 | 1 | 20 | 5 |
| Stone Creek | 150 | 100 | 10 | 15 | 1 | 20 | 5 |
| Logan, Black Mountain, Juaro Canyon, Indian, Hurkey, Poppet and Protrero Creeks, and other Tributaries to these Creeks | 150 | 70 | 10 | 12 | 1 | 15 | 5 |
| Lake Elsinore ² | 2000 | --- | --- | --- | 1.5 | --- | --- |
| Canyon Lake (Railroad Canyon Reservoir) ³ | 700 | 325 | 100 | 90 | 8 | 290 | --- |
| Lake Hemet | 135 | --- | 25 | 20 | 1 | 10 | --- |
| Lake Fulmor | 150 | 70 | 10 | 12 | 1 | 15 | --- |
| Lake Perris | 220 | 110 | 50 | 55 | 1 | 45 | --- |

1. The quality objective for Reach 4 is not intended to preclude transport of water supplies or delivery to Canyon Lake.
2. Lake volume and quality highly variable.
3. The quality objective for Canyon Lake is not intended to preclude transport of water supplies or delivery to the Lake.

