

# Santa Ana River Watershed

## Water Efficiency Budget Assistance

**Project Description:** The Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority is implementing the Water Efficiency Budget Assistance Project to assist a limited number\* of retail water agencies in the Santa Ana River Watershed in developing water efficiency budgets for a sub-set of their **dedicated landscape meter customers**.



Due to Assembly Bill 1668 and Senate Bill 606, known collectively as "Making Water Conservation a California Way of Life", most California retail water agencies will have to develop service area water budgets.

### How Your Agency Can Participate

To participate in the Project, retail agencies will need to commit some of their staffing resources to work with SAWPA and its consultant, Quantum Spatial, over the Project timeline which will be approximately 1.5 years. SAWPA is registering retail agency partners on a first come, first serve basis. What you need to initially participate includes:

1) Attend one of two virtual workshops below, 2) attend initial meeting with SAWPA, 3) submit responses to a questionnaire form, 4) execute a partnership MOU and non-disclosure agreement, and 5) provide a billing query of most recent consumption data.

**Virtual Workshop A**  
May 3, 2021 10am to 12pm

**Register by April 28, 2021 Via Link:**

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/4521975079882000396>

**Virtual Workshop B**  
May 11, 2021 1pm to 3pm

### Dedicated Landscape Meter Customer Common Characteristics



- ⇒ May have multiple meters
- ⇒ May have circulating meters
- ⇒ May cover multiple parcels
- ⇒ May have unique landscape boundaries
- ⇒ May have slopes

\*Due to the anticipated high demand for these limited grant funded services, unfortunately not every retailer in the watershed can be assisted. Funding will initially be apportioned to two retail water agencies per SAWPA member agency.

## Why Dedicated Landscape Meter Customers?

Although the State is providing retail agencies with water budget data for residential customers, they are currently relying on local agencies to develop water efficiency budgets for dedicated irrigation customers (such as parks and HOAs). These water efficiency budgets will then be rolled up annually into the service area wide water budgets objectives.

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**Service Area Wide Water Budget**

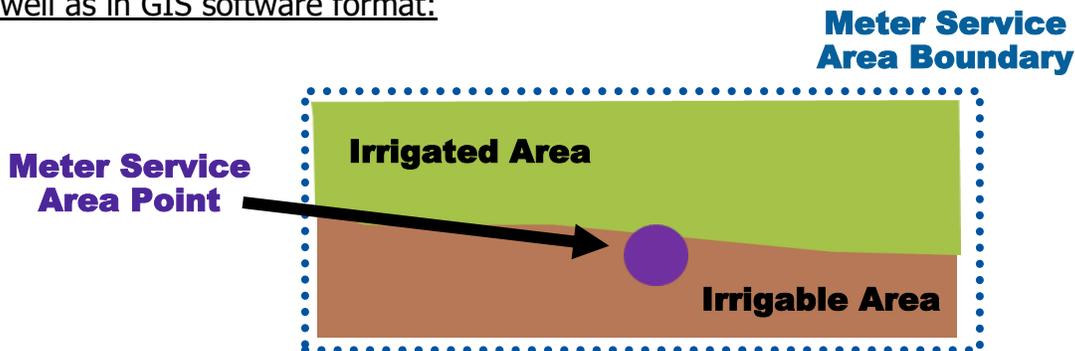
Residential Customers A, B, C ...	Water Used = ___	Budget = ___
<b>Dedicated Landscape Customers A, B, C ...</b>	<b>Water Used = ___</b>	<b>Budget = ___</b>
Approved Variances	Water Used = ___	Budget = ___
Efficient Water Losses	Water Used = ___	Budget = ___
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## Project Deliverables to Retail Agencies:

Through this Project, data will be delivered to retail partners in table format:

Customer Identifier	Meter Service Area	Meter Service Area Point	Irrigated/Irrigable Area	Evapotranspiration Data
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As well as in GIS software format:



By measuring the irrigated/irrigable areas for your selected customers through GIS, and in the field (where necessary), SAWPA and Quantum Spatial will calculate a water efficiency budget by multiplying the amount of landscaping by a water use factor (i.e. evapotranspiration measured by nearby weather stations).

## Questions?



If you have questions, please post them to the Project portal:

<https://forms.monday.com/forms/cb645689585a2d520ee71e04a28155f7?r=use1>

A response will be emailed to you within 48 hours and later posted to SAWPA's website.

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