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Your SoCal Tap Water Blog and Social Media Report

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## Strategic framework development



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Premium water: It's what's on tap Yet many people don't realize that the water that comes straight from their tap is safe, reliable and cleaner than what they can buy off the shelf.

Let's educate and advocate for the Santa Ana Watershed's own liquid gold and dispel myths that tap water is anything less than the best.

# Objectives

- Build trust in water safety
- Increase consumer confidence through education
- Decrease stigma of recycled water
- Promote efficient usage of tap water to ensure water reliability for the region
- Proactively position SAWPA and the water agencies that provide drinking water within the watershed

#### YOUR WATER: FROM SOURCE TO TAP

Posted on April 28, 2021 By SAWPA in Everything



The Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority (SAWPA) and our water agency partners ensure that accessing safe, reliable H2O is as easy as a turn of the tap. High-quality, potable water (drinking water) is always available to your home or business at any time you need it.

Whether you are turning on your shower for a morning wake-up, setting up the sprinkler to water your garden on a sizzling summer afternoon or guzzling a cold glass of H2O after a challenging workout, water is always there for you. While accessing water is a breeze, your water's journey from source to tap is quite complex. Before it reaches your pipes, your water travels through a labyrinth of treatment and delivery infrastructure. Let's explore how!

Your water is sourced.

### Content-driven engagement

Your SoCal Tap Water Published by Hootsuite @ · August 5 at 12:01 PM · 🔇

Cheers to water quality! A SAWPA's member agencies are continuously investing in improved water infrastructure and supporting public policies that protect water sources. That is something we can all raise a glass of tap to!



# Highest performing blog posts

February 2021: Water Worker Appreciation

#### WE HEART OUR WATER WORKERS



In the spirit of the month of love, we are applauding the people who make it possible for water to flow directly into our homes with a simple turn of the tap. What a luxury water is - whether it's brewing your morning coffee, taking a relaxing bath or doing your laundry, it's always there exactly when you need it thanks to the water workers who keep our water infrastructure running smoothly behind the scenes.

We sat down (virtually) with two water professionals to learn about their expertise and passion for bringing safe, clean and reliable water to California homes and husinesses

Meet Ryan Shaw, Director of Water Resources at Western Municipal Water District (Western) and Joshua Aguilar, Senior Engineer at Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA). Both coincidentally began their water industry journeys 15 years ago. Today, they focus on strategic planning and water resources.

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long-term and stable access to high-quality water for the customers in the communities they serve. Given that we live in a dry region where drought is a reality, their teams and agencies must be innovative, creative and efficient in how they locate and access water all while protecting the natural environment.

"The water we have today is the water we have had since the beginning of time," Aguilar said. "Strategic planning is essential for long-term adaptability and water reliability. Water supply management and planning is a collaborative and continuous effort that is vital to enhancing long-term water resources."

One example of a long-term water supply opportunity and challenge that water workers like Shaw and Aguilar tackle is creating the infrastructure that retrieves water from groundwater aquifers. Below the surface, there are local water sources flowing beneath us. In between the layers of soil, gravel and earth lies a groundwater aguifer where thousands of gallons of local water supplies flow naturally. Through infrastructure projects such as



Ryan Shaw Director of Water Resources at Western Municipal Water District (WMWD)

Western's reestablishment of North Well, operation teams are able to source, treat and test local water to be used for their Murrieta service area customers.

Both Shaw and Aguilar have worked throughout the pandemic, as they are essential workers providing an essential service - water. Many things have changed about their jobs since COVID-19 hit.



# Highest performing blog posts

#### March 2021: Women in Water





At the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, we celebrate our water workers every day. And what better month than Women's History Month to highlight our gratitude for our female water workers who bring clean, safe water straight to our home every single day?

Did you know that women represent just one in five workers in our industry? That number is small but mighty and continues to grow. This month, we're highlighting three all-star female water workers who are passionate about what they do.

Let's dive into water industry work through the experiences of Heather Dyer, Leighanne Kirk and Lyndy Lewis. They encourage other women to tap into the exciting opportunities of the water world - whether it's through environmental science, engineering and project development, operations and field work or administrative assistance, the water industry is flowing with opportunities.

#### Heather Dyer

CEO/General Manager at San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District (SBVMD)

As CEO/General Manager for the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District (SBVMD), Heather Dyer's role involves developing strategies to ensure Southern California can count on a reliable and resilient water supply for the next 50+ years. Shefocuses on long-term planning efforts, especially in the age of climate change.

A Seattle, Wash.-native, her passion for the water industry began when she traveled from Seattle to Alaska to work with a salmon cannery. That's where her hunger to protect natural habitats, species and environmental factors for wildlife was born. Flash



Principal Engineer and Regulatory Compliance at Western Municipal Water District (WMWD)



Lyndy Lewis began her water industry career 16 years ago. She explained that the water industry found her, not the other way around. Today, Lewis works at Western Municipal Water District (Western) as a Principal Engineer with a focus on regulatory compliance.

"When I graduated from college, I met a gentleman who worked at the water and power department of my hometown." said Lewis, "I applied for a position there, not fully aware of the possibilities ahead but it was the door that opened up my whole career."

Lewis' current position is in water compliance. Water compliance teams act like watch dogs and ensure that Western's projects and operations fully comply with state and federal standards so that customers receive safe, reliable, high-quality water 24 hours per day, seven days per week and 365 days per year.

"My team and I work to secure permits and oversee the air quality, drinking water quality, wastewater guality and hazardous waste elements of operations and make sure that everything complies with the ever-changing federal and state standards," Lewis said. "In fact, California has some of the highest standards for drinking water in the world, so I take great pride in helping Western ensure we are always meeting or exceeding these standards for our customers."

Along the way, Lewis has met several women who inspired her, including Jayne Joy. She is a mentor to Lewis and currently is an executive officer at Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board. Both



# Ad campaigns

- Monthly ads and boosted posts to grow Facebook audience
- When you see our ads, please share!



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# Your SoCal Tap Water blog and social media analytics

## Your SoCal Tap Water blog analytics

- Active users: 5,711 (up from 4,178 in 2020)
- Sessions: 6,500
- Views: 14,658
- Engagement rate: 92.43%
- Engaged sessions: 6,036

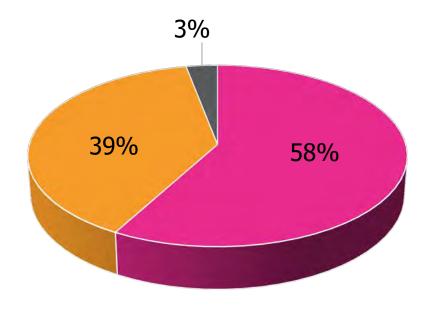


## Blog analytics overview Website Insights FY 20/21

Top five geographic locations for website users

City	Number of users
San Bernardino	733
Los Angeles	557
Rialto	139
Roseville	139
San Diego	137

# What type of device are your users accessing your site on?



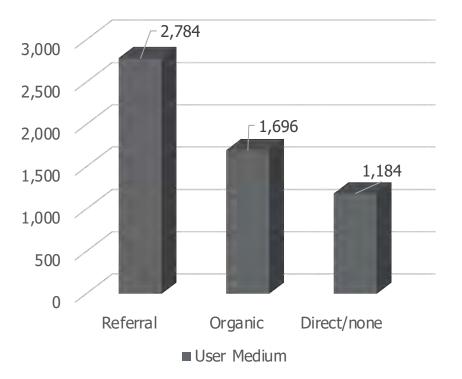
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Top five source/medium for site user

Source/Medium	Users	Sessions	Avg. time per session
m.facebook.com/referral	2,401	2,511	19 seconds
Google/organic	1,418	1,698	52 seconds
Direct/none	1,188	1,491	31 seconds
l.facebook.com/referral	191	232	1 minute 44 seconds
Baidu/organic	135	135	58 seconds

#### **User Medium**



## **Facebook analytics**

• Total Page Likes: 234

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- Total Posts: 134
- Total Reach: 165,793
- Total Impressions: 28,900
- Total Engaged Users: 1,366

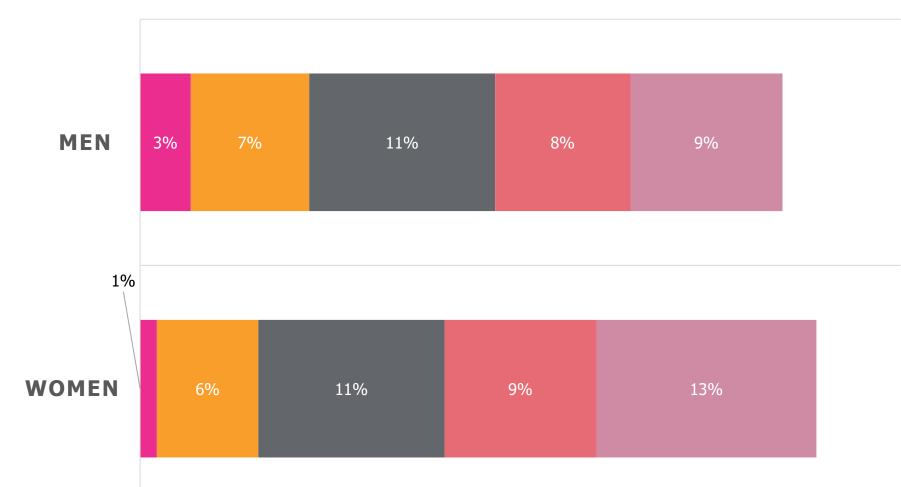
#### Top five geographic locations for Facebook followers

City	Number of followers
Los Angeles	74
Long Beach	9
Anaheim	7
Corona	6
Santa Ana	4

### **Facebook analytics**

#### **FACEBOOK DEMOGRAPHICS**

■ 18-24 ■ 35-44 ■ 45-54 ■ 55-64 ■ 65+



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Save so MULCH water this spring by adding mulch to your flower beds this season. 😪 Mulch helps to reduce evaporation of the water you feed your plants which in turn can save you water usage and lower your next bill.

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Your SoCal Tap Water January 19 . 0 Tap into water to decrease stress! Water is a natural way to nourish your mind and body. Pair a glass of tap water with daily meditation and you are ready to increase your everyday Zen. 💄 Read more at www.yoursocaltapwater.org 656 Boost Post People Reached Engagements O Your SoCal Tap Water, Julia Woods, Gary Lynch and 5 others 2 Shares C Comment Share 



# Facebook weekly post examples

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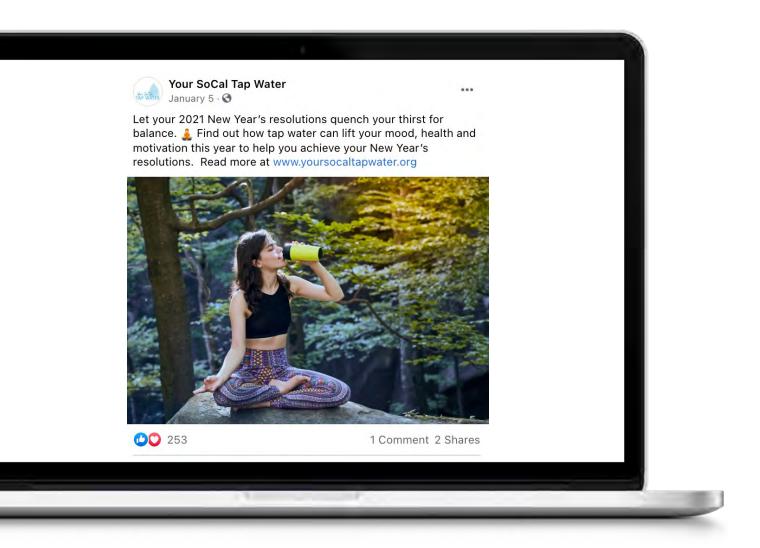
## Your SoCal Tap Water Facebook top post

**Total reactions:** 253

Total reach: 1,981

**Boosted:** Yes, for \$25

Cost per engagement: .08



### Twitter analytics

- Total Page Likes: 1,142
- Total Posts: 134
- Total Impressions: 45,238
- Total Profile Views: 1,125

#### Twitter Highest Performing Months

Month	Tweets	Impressions	<b>Profile Visits</b>
December 2020	13	5,308	134
March 2021	16	7,303	113
July 2021	12	5,111	308

Create your own indoor rain barrel by placing a bucket under your tub or shower head faucet to collect the water often wasted while warming up the shower. The water collected can go on to water house plants and your garden. pic.twitter.com/2bZegcU9iD



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It's fascinating to realize that the tap in your glass and the water that washes our cars and irrigates our crops may have begun as snow. We are thankful for each drop because it is as precious as the snowflakes that created it. Learn more at yoursocaltapwater.org pic.twitter.com/SvNqS2erdL



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Make sure you are picking up after your four-legged friends. **%** Not only is this being a good neighbor, but it's even better for the environment to ensure your pet's waste does not wash down our storm drains and pollute our waterways. pic.twitter.com/B7eMmKtMfB



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# Twitter weekly posting examples

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## Your SoCal Tap Water Twitter top post

**Total impressions:** 1,512

# **Total retweets:** 2

Likes:

#### Top Tweet earned 1,512 impressions

Pro tip! High-efficiency toilets reduce the amount of water and dollars your household flushes down the toilet! I Save H2O and dough by investing in a high-efficiency commode. pic.twitter.com/xQn7QftLHR



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# Social media and website recommendations based on analytics

- Gear specific messaging to the 45-54 age bracket it is the largest demographic following shown on Facebook.
- Continue to boost posts monthly; particularly posts that link to the blog to promote more site visitors.
- Consider purchasing digital media ad space through Google Ads to further boost the website's presence, clicks and visitors.



## 2021/22 Content Development



- 1) Content brainstorm: Let's discuss content ideas for the coming year that you'd like to see covered in the blog and social media.
- Next, we'll develop an updated master content calendar with themes outlined for each month and share with SAWPA and all partner agencies for review and approval.





## Thank You!

Any questions?