THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

ORGANIZATION

Authority: The Metropolitan Water District Act (California Statutes 1927)  
Incorporated: Dec. 6, 1928  
First Board Meeting: Dec. 29, 1928  
Mission: To provide Metropolitan’s service area with adequate and reliable supplies of high-quality water to meet present and future needs in an environmentally and economically responsible way  
Imported Water Sources: Colorado River and California State Water Project  
Service Area: About 5,200 square miles in Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura counties  
Population Served: Approximately 19 million  
Member Agencies: 26  
Founding Cities (December 1928): Anaheim, Beverly Hills, Burbank, Colton*, Glendale, Los Angeles, Pasadena, San Bernardino*, San Marino, Santa Ana and Santa Monica  
* Withdrew in 1931  
Subsequent Member Agency Cities: Cities of Fullerton (joined 1931), Long Beach (1931), Torrance (1931), Compton (1931), and San Fernando (1971)  
County Water Authority: San Diego (1946)

GOVERNANCE

Board of Directors: 38. Each member agency is entitled to at least one director; additional directors are based on the agency’s assessed valuation. Board meetings are generally held on the second Tuesday of each month. Check www.mwdh2o.com for meeting times and agendas.

FACILITIES

Colorado River Aqueduct: 242 miles from Lake Havasu to Lake Mathews, Riverside  
Construction: Begun 1933, completed 1939; CRA and regional distribution system operational 1941  
Capacity: 1.3 million acre-feet† annually  
Pumping Plants (east to west): Whitsett Intake (lift 291 ft.); Gene (303 ft.); Iron Mountain (444 ft.); Eagle Mountain (438 ft.); Julian Hinds (441 ft.); Total lift 1,617 feet  
Siphons: 144, totaling 29 miles  
Tunnels: 29, totaling 92 miles  
Canals: 63 miles  
Conduit and Pipeline: 58 miles

†Acre-foot = 325,851 gallons

Water Treatment Plants: Joseph Jensen, Granada Hills (capacity 750 million gallons per day); Robert A. Skinner, Winchester (630 mgd); F.E. Wymouth, La Verne (520 mgd); Robert B. Diemer, Yorba Linda (520 mgd); and Henry J. Mills, Riverside (220 mgd)
**Reservoirs:** Diamond Valley Lake, Hemet, capacity 810,000 AF; Lake Mathews, Riverside, 182,000 AF; Lake Skinner, Winchester, 44,000 AF; Copper Basin, Gene, 24,200 AF; Gene Wash, Gene, 6,300 AF; Live Oak, La Verne, 2,500 AF; Garvey, Monterey Park, 1,600 AF; Palos Verdes, Rolling Hills, 1,100 AF; and Orange County, Brea, 212 AF

**Total Reservoir Storage Capacity:** 1,072,000 AF

**Distribution System:** 830 miles of pipelines and tunnels; about 400 connections to member agencies

**Hydroelectric Plants:** 16; nameplate capacity 131 megawatts

**State Water Project:** Metropolitan has rights to use SWP facilities under the State Water Contract

**SUPPLY, DELIVERIES AND SALES**

**Average Daily Delivery:** 5,000 AF (5-year avg. as of Dec. 31, 2015)

**Record Daily Delivery:** 9,872 AF on June 28, 1994

**Record Annual Sales:** 2.5 million AF in 1990

**Unit Price (full service):** Effective Jan. 1, 2016, rates are $942 per AF for treated water, and $594 per AF for untreated water. Effective Jan. 1, 2017, rates are $979 per AF (treated) and $666 per AF (untreated), and effective Jan. 1, 2018, rates are $1,015 per AF (treated) and $695 per AF (untreated)

**Budgeted Sales Assumption:** 1.70 MAF for FY 2016/17 and 2017/18

**FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

**Water Revenue Bond Ratings:** Standard & Poor's AAA; Moody's Aa1; Fitch AA+

**Budget:**
- July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017: $1.649 billion
- July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018: $1.695 billion

**Capital Projects:**
- $200 million (FY 2016/17)
- $200 million (FY 2017/18)

**Employees:** 1,886 budgeted regular employees in FY 2016/17 and FY 2017/18

**Fund Sources:** Water rates and charges, 77%; fund withdrawals, 9%; taxes, 6%; hydroelectric sales and miscellaneous income, 2%; other, 6% (biennial budget FY 2016/17, 2017/18).

**Uses of Funds:** State Water project payments, 30%; operations & maintenance, 21%; debt service, 17%; construction, 10%; fund deposits, 11%; demand management programs, 4%; supply programs, 4%; and Colorado River power, 3% (biennial budget FY 2016/17, 2017/18).

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