



DESERT WATER AGENCY

About DWA: Desert Water Agency was founded as a groundwater management agency in the western Coachella Valley in 1961 and started providing water service to customers in Palm Springs and Cathedral City in 1968. DWA is one of only 29 state water contractors in California. This gives our agency the ability to import water, which is used to recharge our groundwater basin (the main source of water in our desert).



Service Area
325 square miles



Population Served
98,000 (plus seasonal)



Retail Connections
24,000



Imported Water
100% from State Water Project

WHY ARE THE STATE WATER PROJECT AND DELTA CONVEYANCE PROJECT IMPORTANT TO DESERT WATER AGENCY?



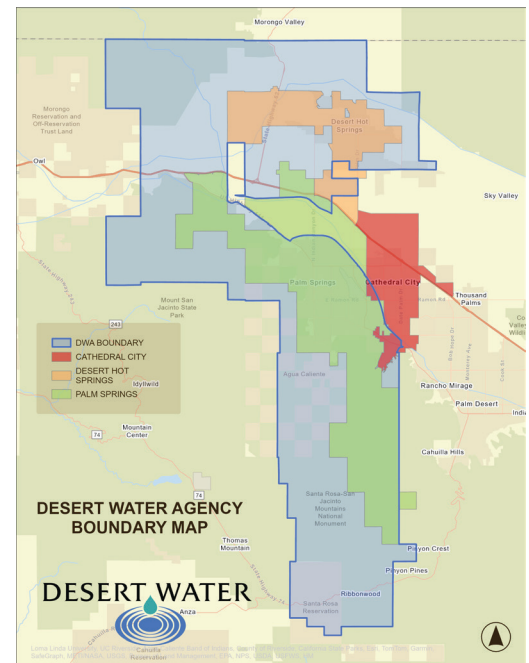
“Water supports our economy and community. We are in an arid region and a reliable water supply is key. We are lucky to be on top of a large groundwater basin that Desert Water Agency helps keep healthy with replenishment. That wouldn't be possible without the State Water Project. Our businesses and families rely on the continued success and reliability of it.”

Nona Watson, CEO, Palm Springs Chamber of Commerce



“Just like we maintain and upgrade our groundwater wells and water mains, we must invest in maintaining the State Water Project's aging infrastructure. Having a functional statewide system is critical to helping our desert community weather climate extremes.”

Steve Johnson, General Manager, Desert Water Agency



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Modernizing California's Water Infrastructure

The Delta Conveyance Project (DCP) is a proposal to modernize water infrastructure in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta by creating an additional point of diversion along the Sacramento River coupled with conveyance facilities in the Delta. The DCP is intended to restore and protect the reliability of State Water Project (SWP) and to ensure California's largest supply of clean water is climate resilient.