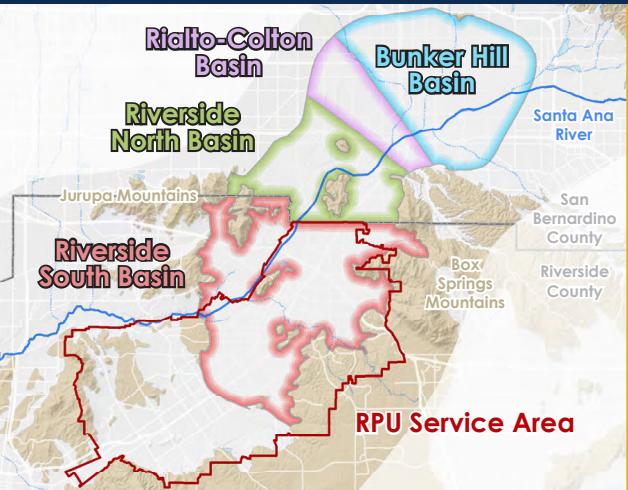


RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES WATER SUPPLY FACT SHEET

UPDATED DECEMBER 9, 2021



Riverside Public Utilities is prepared to meet the City's current water supply needs. However, proactively **Investing In Our Future** is key to ensure adequate and sustainable water supply is available for the City's growth and future generations.

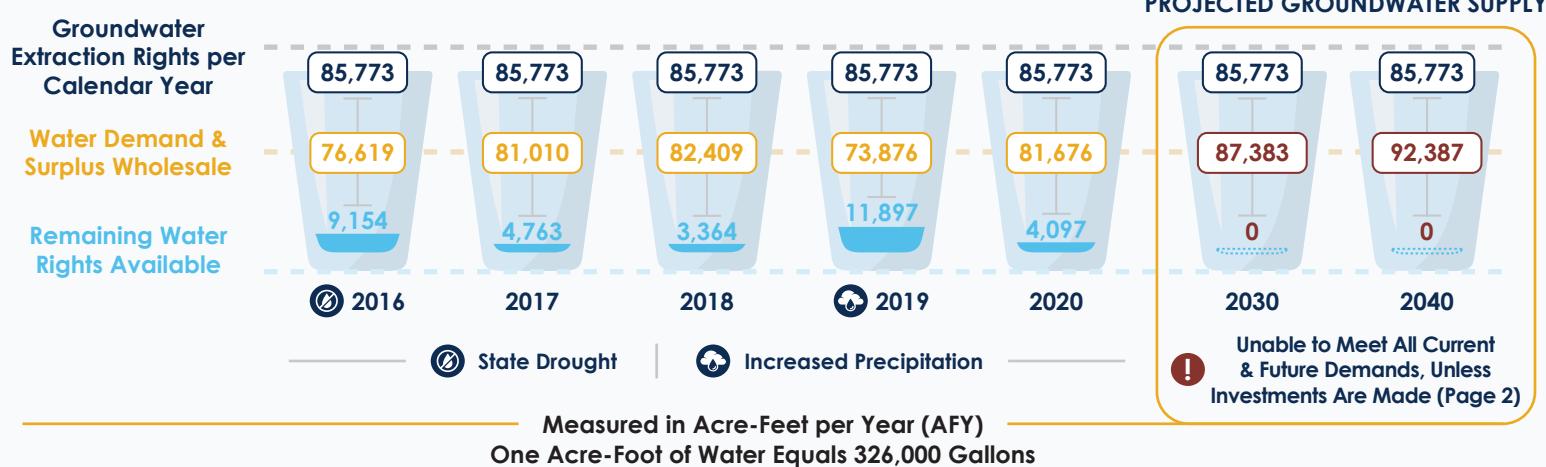
Riverside's Groundwater Resources & Supply

100% of the City's potable (drinking) water has been supplied from local groundwater sources since 2009

Serves Population of
306,140

69K
Service Connections

A 1969 Legal Judgment sets surface water and groundwater rights for the region, including the City of Riverside's annual "use it or lose it" groundwater extraction rights.



Sustainability Challenges to Riverside Requiring Vital Solutions

Water Rights



1969 Legal Judgment is **vulnerable to future modification(s)**, dependent on drought conditions and water levels, that could pose a risk to extraction rights.

Climate Change



Shorter snowpack winters and longer drier summers.

2045 Potable & Recycled Water Demand



Projected to be **26% higher** than current water rights.

Groundwater Conditions



Natural basin recharge from rainfall is **22% below** historical annual average resulting in historical lows of water levels.

City of Riverside Growth



Increase in **population** and associated water needs is **projected to be greater** than Riverside's available water supply sources **within 10 years**.

Water Quality Regulation Challenges

Constantly changing regulations and emerging unregulated chemicals require the **need for water supply** redundancy and the likelihood of **additional treatment facilities**.

Solutions for Riverside's Sustainable Water Future

Riverside must invest locally in basin management and water supply projects in order to:



Protect Existing Water Rights & Expand Water Resources



Maximize Recycled Water Use



Maximize Regional Storm Water Recharge



Maximize Local Storm Water Recharge



Meet City's Strategic Priorities



Develop Strategies for Groundwater Banking



Conserve, protect and restore habitats.

The City of Riverside is committed to investing rate payer & other dollars to provide reliable services to customers for generations to come with the ability to meet and supply the water demand under perpetual water rights.

	Water Security Investments	Estimated Costs	Estimated Additional City Water Rights
1 Now – 2030	A Parks and Tributaries Water Reuse	\$55M	11,000 AFY
	B Enhanced Recharge Projects, Phases 1B and 1C	\$15.2M*	1,000 AFY
	C Active Recharge Projects Phase I	\$16.1M	1,500 AFY
	D Water Loss Reduction Program	\$2.65M	–
	E Regional Advanced Treatment Facility	\$25M	–
2 2030 – 2040	Active Recharge Projects Phase II	\$18M	1,500 AFY
	Riverside North ASR	\$18M	2,000 AFY

*\$9M included in FY 21/22 Budget
Measured in Acre-Feet per Year (AFY)



Benefits

- Diversifies **Riverside's water supply portfolio** options while securing additional perpetual water rights.
- Ensures **water supply reliability** for current and future demand.
- Cost effective** and **environmentally friendly** compared to importing water.
- Creates **partnerships with neighboring agencies** and increases wholesale opportunities to the region.

Next Steps

- Planning & design phases**
- RPU Board & City Council concurrence process**
- Construction of Riverside's sustainable water future**
- Riverside's additional water supply resources **operational**