### Sustainable Water Futures-Opportunities at Water and Wastewater Utilities

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# Agency Overview

- Regional wastewater service provider and distributor of wholesale water and recycled water
- Serving 800,000 people over 242 square miles of the Chino basin – one of the most rapidly growing regions in the U.S.
- Wastewater treatment is approximately 60 MGD
- Electric demand is approximately 13 MW
- Agency's 3 products: Renewable energy Biosolids compost -Recycled water



Wastewater Utility Goals

Three Products:
Recycled Water
Biosolids / Composting
Renewable Energy



# Water Utility Goals

Statewide Drought Colorado River State Water Project – Delta Issue Local Supplies Stormwater Groundwater • Recycled Water



### Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA)



# **IEUA Water Recycling Facilities**

### Four Water Recycling Facilities

- Regional Plant No. 1 Ontario
- Regional Plant No. 4 Rancho Cucamonga
- Regional Plant No. 5 Chino
- Carbon Canyon Water Recycling Facility Chino
- Influent Flow Levels
- Water Quality
- Recycled Water Demand







# IEUA's Energy Strategy

- Since 2001, goal has been to maximize renewable energy, optimize energy usage
- Significant investments made in biogas generation, energy efficiency, green building (first platinum LEED)
- Go "100% Renewable" by 2020
- Pursue New Renewable Technologies







### IEUA Innovations to Address Energy Needs

Maximize Efficiency

Constructed the nation's first platinum LEED-rated headquarters by a public agency (2003).





Sustainability and Diversification

Biogas production from anaerobic digesters.

Installed a total of 16.5 acres of solar panels in 2008 on four Agency's sites.

Energy Intensity of Water Supplies

Total energy requirements for marginal (e.g. imported) supplies of water in Southern California are 3,519 kWh/acre-foot (0.01 kWh/ gallon).



## Electricity Use for Water System Components in Southern California





### State Water Project Pumping Facilities



### State Water Project Pumping Energy



# Energy Intensity of Water Supplies for IEUA



## IEUA's Expanding Energy Project Portfolio

Renewable Energy Programs

- Three-Phase Thermophilic Digestion
- Digester Optimization
- Combined Heat and Power
- Food Waste Additions
- Flared Biogas Recovery (conversion to pipeline quality gas)
- Solar Power
- Wind Power
- Fuel cells
- Algae



### **IEUA Recycled Water Production Cycle**



### Exceptional Recycled Water Quality

### Pre-Treatment Program

- Manages Significant Industrial Users (SIU)
- No Drugs Down the Drain Program
- Industrial & Brine Export to NRWS
- Longstanding Treatment Facility Performance
  - Outstanding NPDES & T-22 Compliance Record
    - 100% Compliant for 2008
  - Exceptional Nitrogen and TOC Removal
  - No Issues with Emerging Constituents of Concern



### Recycled Water Usage Actual and Planned



# **Recycled Water Use**

#### FY08/09

Projected FY11/12
 (3-Year RW Business Plan)



# Groundwater Recharge

- Recharge Sites
  - 19 Sites throughout Chino Basin
- Sources of Water
  - Stormwater & Local Runoff
  - Imported Water (MWD)
  - Recycled Water



- Natural Soil Aquifer Treatment (SAT)
- Confidence of Regulators
- Recharge Basin Operations & Maintenance (O&M)

### **Different Systems for Separate IEUA Sites**

Tracker T-0 •Area rqmts: 5 acres for 1MW •Energy production 23% greater than fixed-tilt

#### Fixed T-10

 High density coverage: 10.5Watts/SqFt. Good for constrained areas

Tracker T-20

All modular system - no inground foundations
Tilted single-axis provides energy production 30% greater than fixed-tilt
Lowest cost per kWh

technology

#### : 5 MW duction r than





### Zero to 1 MW Solar in 4 Months!



### Solar System at IEUA Water Recycling Plant (Went live 11/28/08 at 1300 hours)



# Solar Project Numbers

Facility Type	Туре	Capacity	Projected Annual Production	Area	Completion Date
		[KW-AC]	[MWH]	[Acres]	
Water Recycling Plant RP 1 Area 4	T-0	694	1 0	4.0	Dec 2008
Water Recycling Plant RP 1 Area 5		137	1.0	4.0	Nov 2008
Water Recycling Plant RP 5	T-20	1,000	2.4	7.0	Nov 2008
Recycling plant CCWRF	T-10	625	1	1.5	Dec 2008
Composter Plant IERCF	T-10	335	2	4.0	Nov 2008
	T-10	665			

Total	3.5 MW	7.2	16.5



# Solar Summary

- 3.5 MW of Solar installed at 4 sites in just 4 months
- Financing Power Purchase Agreements
   (PPA) used No capital burden on Agency
- No maintenance responsibilities for IEUA
- Great Environmental Benefits



### **RP-5** Load Profile



### IEUA Biosolids Management

- Existing IEUA Composting Facility
- Decommissioned in 2006







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IERCF



# **Facility Description**





# Wind Power

- Minimum cut-in wind speed 8 mph for turbine power generation
- Local area wind speed averages 13 mph



National Renewable Energy Laboratory Map



IEUA in Class 3 Area (Avg. speed 13 mph)

# Wind Speed to Energy

-Relative Turbine Power Output vs. Wind Speed-Cut-out Wind Speed Power Output – % of Rated Power -18% Turbine Output @ avg. 13 mph Wind Speed – MPH

# **Potential Sites**

#### IEUA Headquarters RP-5 Complex



### RP-4/IERCF Complex

#### Considerations

- Suitability of site
- Environmental Esthetics
- Permitting



**RP-1** Facility



# Wind Power – Next Steps

- Options
  - Pursue demonstration project at RP5 site to gain first hand experience with wind power permitting, procurement, operation and maintenance
  - Evaluate actual performance and output
  - Evaluate other sites



# Fuel Cells

- Is an electrochemical process that generates electricity, water and heat.
- Can utilize hydrogen from any hydrocarbon fuel
  - Digester Gas, Natural gas, methanol, gasoline
- Relies on chemistry and not combustion
  - Low emissions



# Fuel Cells Benefits

- Low air emissions
- High Efficiency
- High Reliability/High Quality Power
- Fuel Flexibility (Digester Gas and/or Natural Gas)
- Quiet Operation



# Water Assets of the Chino Basin

- Groundwater
  - 5-7 Million Acre-feet of Storage one of the largest groundwater basins in southern California
     1 million acre-feet of unused storage capacity currently
     Safe Yield of 140,000+ Acre-feet per year with capacity to

  - increase
  - Over 800 Active Wells
- High quality Recycled Water
   Over 90,000 Acre-feet of water available for reuse
- Storm Water Capture
  - Region now loses over 40,000 acre-feet per year on average of water that historically recharged the Chino Groundwater Basin
- Opportunities for Water Efficiency

- 'Över 60% of water use within région is for outdoor irrigation
- Regional Partnerships
  - Outstanding collaboration and cooperation among local governments and agencies providing water services

Water Resources Capital Improvement Program \$350 Million in Capital Projects

- Chino I/II Desalters
  - 25,000 AF/Yr yield
  - \$68 Million
- Recharge Master Plan
  - 23,000 AF/Yr Storm water
  - 20 40 AF/Yr Recycled Water
  - 80 120,000 AF/Yr Imported Water
  - \$40 \$50 million

- MWD Conjunctive Use
  - 100,000 ÅF, 33,000 AF/yr yield
  - \$28.5 million
- Recycled Water
  - 90,000 AF/Yr
  - \$200 million
- Conservation
   25,000 AF/Yr
  - \$10 million



### Projected Chino Basin Imported Water Demands

Without the Integrated Water Management Strategy, the need for expensive imported water is expected to increase from 60,000 acre-feet to over 150,000 acre-feet

With the implemented of the planned water initiatives, the region will significantly reduce it need for imported water and during dry years almost completely roll off imported water supplies

