

Who We Are and What We Do

Rivers and Mountains Conservancy

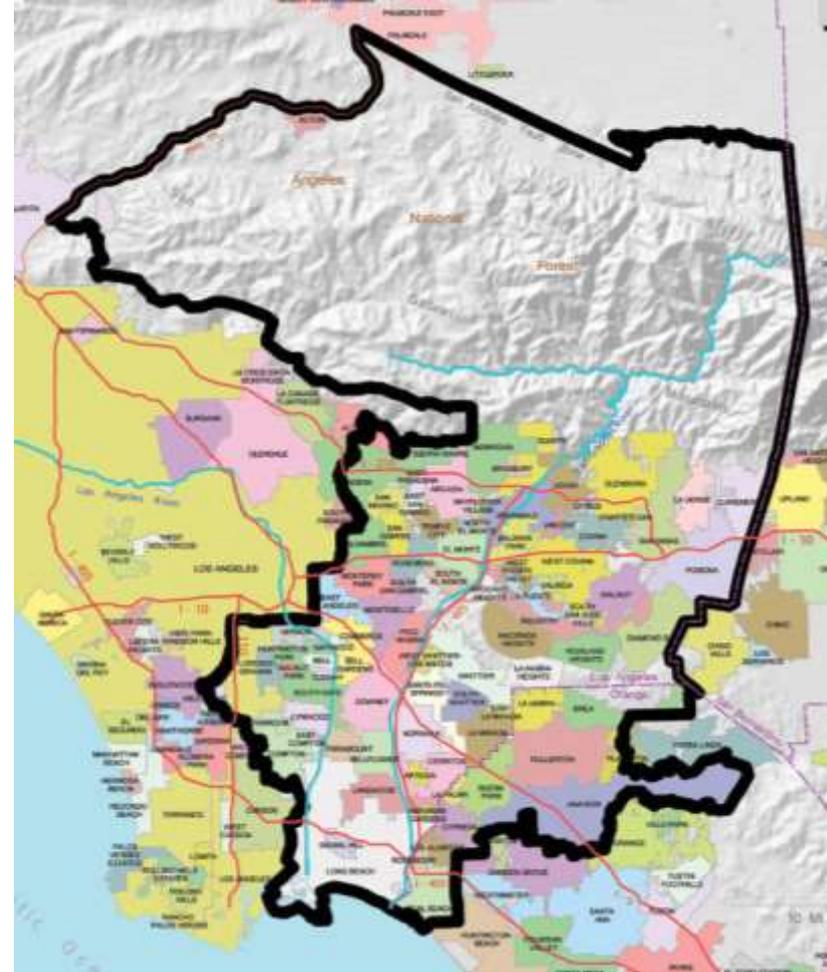
Our mission is to preserve open space and habitat in order to provide for low-impact recreation and educational uses, wildlife habitat restoration and protection, and watershed improvements within our jurisdiction.





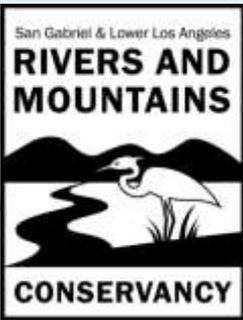
Rivers and Mountains Conservancy

- Created in 1999; 1 of 10 State Conservancies
- Represent 68 cities and portions of Los Angeles and Orange County
- Member of three Joint Powers Authorities
 - Watershed Conservation Authority
 - Los Cerritos Wetlands Authority
 - San Gabriel River Discovery Center Authority



Bringing Nature and Communities Together





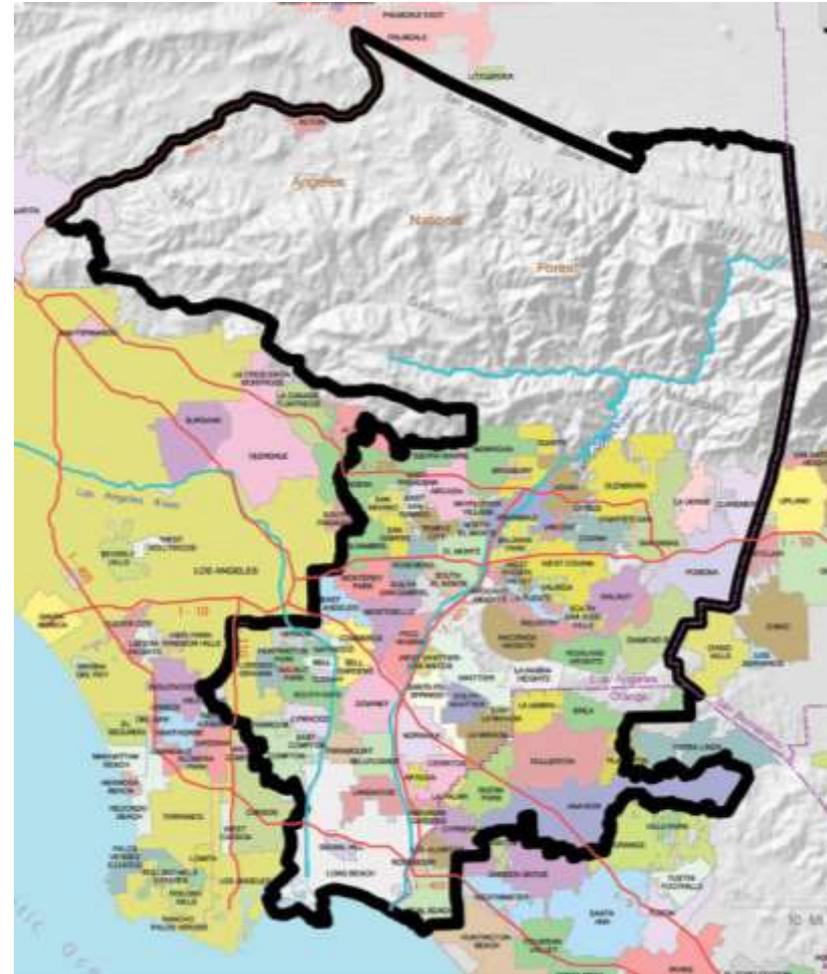
Rivers and Mountains Conservancy Board

RMC is comprised of a 13 member board of elected officials representing the 68 cities within our territory including:

- ❖ California EPA
- ❖ California Natural Resources Agency
- ❖ San Gabriel Valley COG
- ❖ Gateway Cities COG
- ❖ Orange County Division of the League of CA Cities
- ❖ CA Dept. of Finance
- ❖ San Gabriel Valley Water Association
- ❖ Central Basin Water Association
- ❖ City of Long Beach

Ex Officio Members:

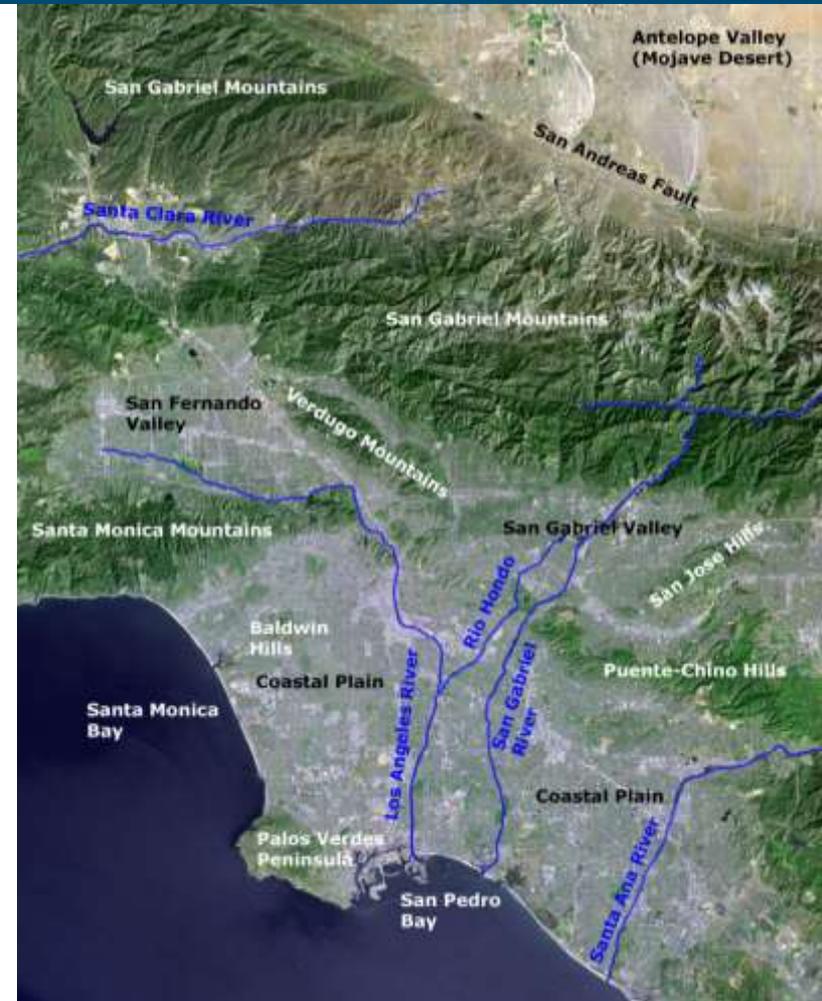
- ❖ Department of Parks & Recreation
- ❖ Wildlife Conservation Board
- ❖ US Army Corps of Engineers
- ❖ OC Public Works Department
- ❖ San Gabriel River Watermaster
- ❖ US Forest Service-Angeles National Forest
- ❖ LA County Department of Public Works





Urban Conservancy

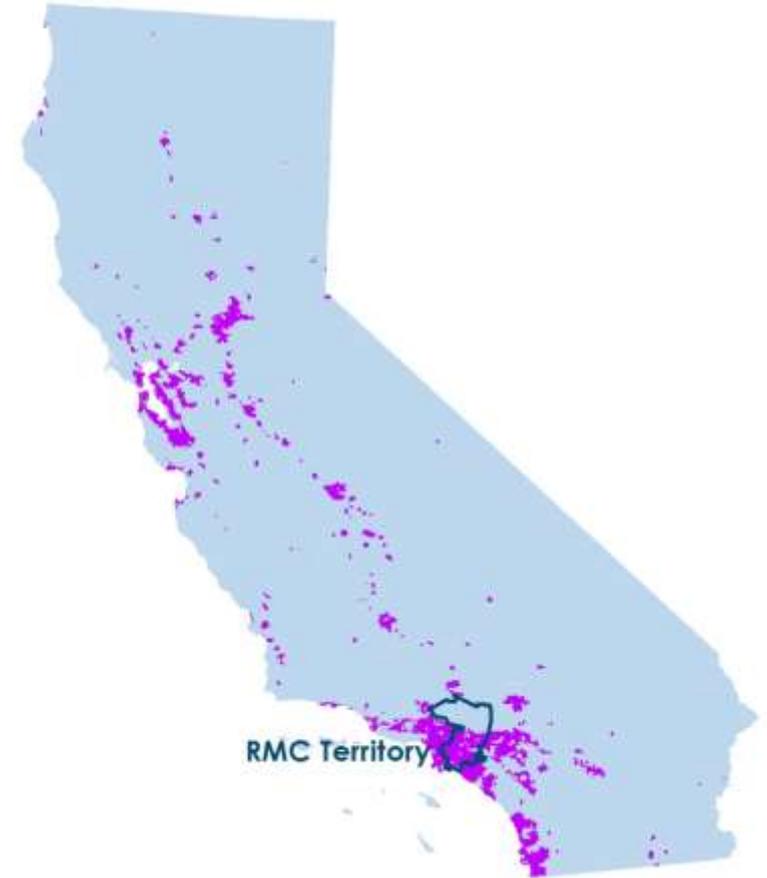
- Territory includes four rivers and tributaries:
 1. Los Angeles River
 2. San Gabriel River
 3. Santa Ana River
 4. Santa Clara River
 5. Rio Hondo
 6. Compton Creek
- A coastline including 1,000 acre Seal Beach National Wildlife Refuge and the Los Cerritos wetlands in Long Beach





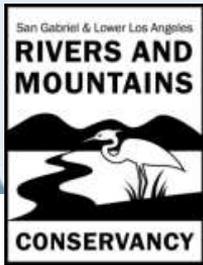
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- Urban Population of 4.8 million residents
- 1 out of 8 Californian's live here
- Territory is <1% of State's geographic area yet contains 13% of State's population
- 1.86 million of the region's residents live in Disadvantaged Communities



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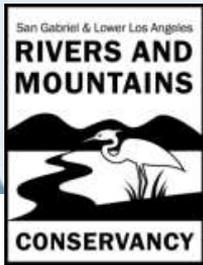




Investing in Our Communities

- Thanks to the CA Legislature and Voters of California \$94 Million in Watershed Improvement Projects and Programs have been invested in our Region (Props 40, 50, 84)
- More than 188 watershed improvement projects have been awarded to Non-Profit Organizations and Local Governments
- 156 projects completed to date





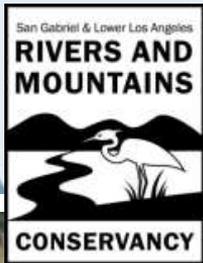
Multi-Benefit Projects with Water Elements

1. Duck Farm, Avocado Heights/Industry
2. Los Cerritos Wetlands, Long Beach
3. Cattle Canyon, Angeles National Forest
4. San Gabriel River Discovery Center, S. El Monte
5. Pine Avenue Park, Maywood



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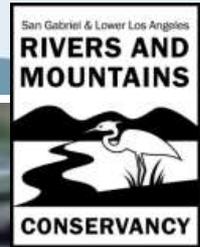


Duck Farm- Reconnecting to Our Rivers



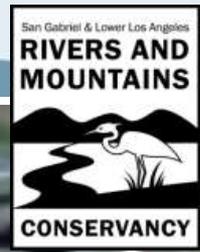
Duck Farm River Park, Avocado Heights

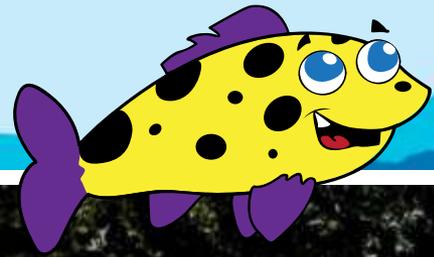
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LOS CERRITOS WETLANDS - EXISTING CONDITIONS

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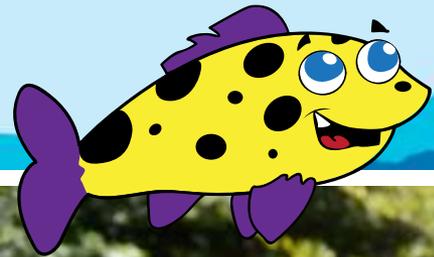




Cattle Canyon High Demands on Natural and Water Resources



Cattle Canyon, Angeles National Forest
Photograph courtesy of the San Gabriel Valley Tribune



Inspiring Future Conservation Leaders



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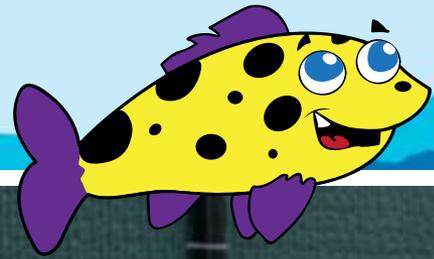


San Gabriel River Discovery Center



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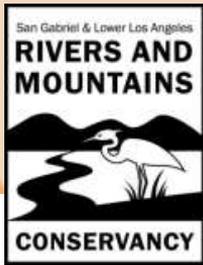


Play and Watershed Interpretation



Pine Avenue Park, Maywood

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Questions??

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