

**ATTACHMENT 1**  
**SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY IRWM DROUGHT GRANT PROPOSAL**  
**AUTHORIZATION AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

**Groundwater Management Compliance**

The San Juan Groundwater Basin is located within the San Juan Creek Watershed in the South Orange County WMA. The Basin is managed by the San Juan Basin Authority (SJBA), a joint powers authority consisting of SMWD, City of San Juan Capistrano (CSJC), MNWD, and SCWD in south Orange County, CA. The SMWD serves as staff for the SJBA who manages the San Juan Groundwater Basin. SMWD, MNWD, and SCWD will receive funding from the proposed grant. However, this proposal does not contain any projects that directly affect groundwater levels or quality. The region has limited groundwater supplies, and as a result the SJBA members obtain most of its water supply (about 92 percent of potable demands) from imported water sources. SMWD, SCWD, and MNWD propose projects that include recycled water system expansion by converting domestic to recycled water for existing users in their service areas. The recycled water would offset the demand on imported water supplies for the region, thereby replacing the potable water supply with recycled water supply. There is no direct impact on groundwater levels or quality as a result of these projects.