

1.0 About Indio Water Authority

Indio Water Authority (IWA) is a joint exercise of powers authority organized and existing under by virtue of the Joint Exercise of Power Act. The City and the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Indio formed IWA on April 19th, 2000. The Housing Authority replaced the Redevelopment Agency in 2012. IWA's mission is to provide the highest quality most reliable source of water, in an effective and fiscally responsible manner.

IWA provides water to a population of approximately 82,400 within its 38 square mile service area, which is located 120 miles east of Los Angeles in the Coachella Valley of Riverside County, California. IWA encompasses the majority of the community of Indio and some of the unincorporated area of Indio Hills. Refer to Appendix A for a map of IWA service area boundaries.

IWA's drinking water is derived exclusively from the Lower Whitewater River Sub basin that lies roughly 500' to 1,300' below the ground surface in Indio. As of January 2019, IWA currently has over 23,000 water service connections. 91% of the water service connections are residential services, which consume approximately 72% of the water produced annually by IWA.