My Watersheds LESJWA Fast Facts

Riverside

Watershed: (def.) noun Area of land that drains into a lake or river.



City of Lake Elsinore • City of Canyon Lake • County of Riverside e Valley Municipal Water District • Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority

Lake Elsinore & San Jacinto **Watersheds Authority**

Joint powers authority, formed in year 2000 to improve water quality and wildlife habitats in Canyon Lake, Lake Elsinore and surrounding San Jacinto Watersheds.



5 improvement projects -

People impacted -



\$10.5 million spent

Cities involved in lake cleanup efforts -

Canyon Lake

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San Jacinto River Watershed

Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Task Force



Conducts stormwater and lake water quality monitoring, modeling, studies and projects to help meet water quality targets and improvements.



Involved task force agencies: 11 cities, 1 county, 2 water agencies, 1 flood control district, 1 state transportation agency, 1 air force reserve base, 1 redevelopment agency, 1 state fish and wildlife agency and 1 agricultural and dairy coalition

Major lake and watershed projects completed

Recreational lake -



Drinking water reservoir and recreational lake - Canyon Lake





Lake Elsinore Water Replenishment Average runoff flows 1,400 acre-feet/year Recycled water 4,800 acre-feet/year Non-potable groundwater 1,000 acre-feet/year Evaporation water loss 15,200 acre-feet/year Deficit results in unstable lake levels

1 acre-foot of water = 325,851 gallons

Internationally recognized lake experts involved =

Number of lake studies conducted on Lake Elsinore and Canyon Lake since year 2000 =

Years of collaboration to implement projects =

Invasive carp removed from Lake Elsinore =

Amount of sediment removed from Canyon Lake =

20.000 cubic yards **Recycled water delivered** to Lake Elsinore to offset evaporation since 2002 = **58,500** acre-feet or

19 billion gal

Clean up solutions



Increased lake levels Fish harvesting Silt/sediment removal