



CALIFORNIA OVERALL FACT SHEET

The U.S. International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) is responsible for applying the boundary and water treaties between the United States and Mexico.

- ✓ Flood Control: USIBWC maintains more than 500 miles of levees, 700 hydraulic structures, 100 gaging stations, and 20,000 acres of floodplain.
- ✓ Water Delivery: Ensure compliance with 1906 Convention and 1944 Water treaty for the Rio Grande and Colorado River.
- ✓ Dams and Hydroelectric Power Plants: Manage two international dams (Falcon and Amistad) with hydroelectric power plants and 5 diversion dams.
- ✓ Sanitation: Three international wastewater treatment plants: San Diego, CA; Rio Rico, AZ; Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas.
- ✓ International Bridges and Boundary Demarcation: Maintain two international bridges (El Paso TX-Juarez, Chih., and Ft. Hancock

SOME MAJOR ONGOING USIBWC PROJECTS ALONG THE CALIFORNIA-MEXICO BORDER:

- South Bay International Wastewater Treatment Plant rehabilitation and expansion in San Diego, CA
- Follow up on Minute 328 projects in Tijuana to reduce transboundary wastewater flows
- Tijuana River and Canyons Water Monitoring Program to characterize water, sediment quality, and trash and estimate how often they reach the Pacific Ocean. Project awarded in Sept. 2024.
- Manage Tijuana River flood control system
- Minutes 323 and 330 Colorado River drought management and water conservation projects in Mexico, undertaken with \$96.5 million USD from partners in the United States
- Numerous Colorado River binational work groups in place under Minutes 323 and 330, including hydrology, salinity, environment, flow variability, projects and desalination.
- Binational Technical Committee to review water quality and sanitation projects in Mexicali and the New River. Water quality study of the New River meets every two weeks.
- Asset management and capital plan for all field offices.

USIBWC STAFFING AND BUDGET AT 12 OFFICES IN THE BORDER REGION AND WASHINGTON D.C.:

- FY24 Salaries and Expenses appropriation: \$64.8M
- Y24 construction appropriation: \$156M
- 300 total positions
- FY 2010 - 2020 average construction budge

FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT:

- Equipment replacement in all field offices \$36M.
- Facilities Renovation \$31M is needed for 61 facilities.

FLOOD CONTROL PROGRAM:

Rio Grande Flood Control Program: \$958M is needed for 158 miles of levees

- High Priority - \$91M needed for 14 miles of levees and levee gap repairs for FEMA certification and flood control protection in urbanized areas and where high levee failure risks exist.
- Medium Priority – \$73M needed for 16 miles of levees and levee gaps repairs based on value/benefit, complexity/constraints, and risk/safety.

Tijuana River Levee Rehabilitation:

- High Priority – \$115M is needed for 4 miles of levee construction to comply with FEMA certification and sediment removal; \$5M needed for O&M.

OTHER UNFUNDED CRITICAL CAPITAL PROJECTS

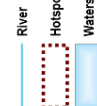
- American Canal Middle Reach \$155M-\$174M
- Nogales Wastewater Treatment Plant Redundancy \$20M
- Sediment Removal Program

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