

Santa Ana River Flood Protection Agency

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Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Santa Ana River Flood Protection Agency?

The Santa Ana River Flood Protection Agency (SARFPA) is a joint powers agency formed on November 25, 1974 to support authorization and appropriations for the Santa Ana River Mainstem Project and related projects such as the Westminster Watershed Study. The agency provides its members with information on the progress of the Santa Ana River and related projects and supports regional flood control improvements to remove current floodplains within its members boundaries.

The Santa Ana River Mainstem Project involves the construction of flood control improvements for the communities within Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties. Its main features include the construction of the Seven Oaks Dam in San Bernardino County and the Lower Santa Ana River Channel Improvements in Orange County.

How does SARFPA support the Santa Ana River Project?

SARFPA collectively and through individual members communicates the importance of the Santa Ana River flood control improvements to its Orange County Congressional delegation. SARFPA also sends its Executive Director to Washington D.C. in support of Orange County Supervisors and County staff in seeking appropriations for the Santa Ana River Mainstem Project.

SARFPA also communicates with the Orange County State Delegation and the State Department of Water Resources to reimburse the OCFCD's for the State's share of the project costs. SARFPA also supports the efforts of the OCFCD to have the 100-year Santa Ana River floodplain amended by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA resulting in the reduction of insurance premiums and, in many cases, the removal of mandatory flood insurance requirements. SARFPA will continue supporting the Santa Ana River Project until its completion.

Who are the members of SARFPA?

SARFPA consists of representatives from the County of Orange, Orange County Flood Control District (OCFCD), Orange County Water District, Orange County Sanitation District, Costa Mesa Sanitation District, and 16 Orange County cities. The agency contracts for the services of an Executive Director.

SARFPA's Annual Budget:

SARFPA's annual budget is between \$25,000.00 to \$30,000.00. Its revenue is derived from annual member dues of \$1,100.00.