

**State of California
California Regional Water Quality Control Board
Santa Ana Region**

July 22, 2022

STAFF REPORT

ITEM: 8

SUBJECT: Human Right to Water Status Report

DISCUSSION:

In 2012, the California legislature adopted Water Code Section 106.3 establishing the Human Right to Water (HRTW) policy which states that every human being has the right to safe, clean, affordable, and accessible water adequate for human consumption, cooking, and sanitary purposes. The State Water Resources Control Board adopted Resolution 2016-0010, identifying the HRTW as a core value and affirmed the State Water Board's commitment to advancing the HRTW in 2016.

In December 2019, the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board (Santa Ana Water Board) adopted [Resolution R8-2019-0078](#), acknowledging the Human Right to Water (HRTW) as a core value. The Resolution directed staff to implement a work plan which includes tasks to ensure that the Santa Ana Water Board programs are equitably and consistently administered and are supportive of the Human Right to Water in all communities.

Santa Ana Water Board staff will provide a summary of the activities completed during 2022 in accordance with the resolution.

As an information item, no voting or formal action will take place.