



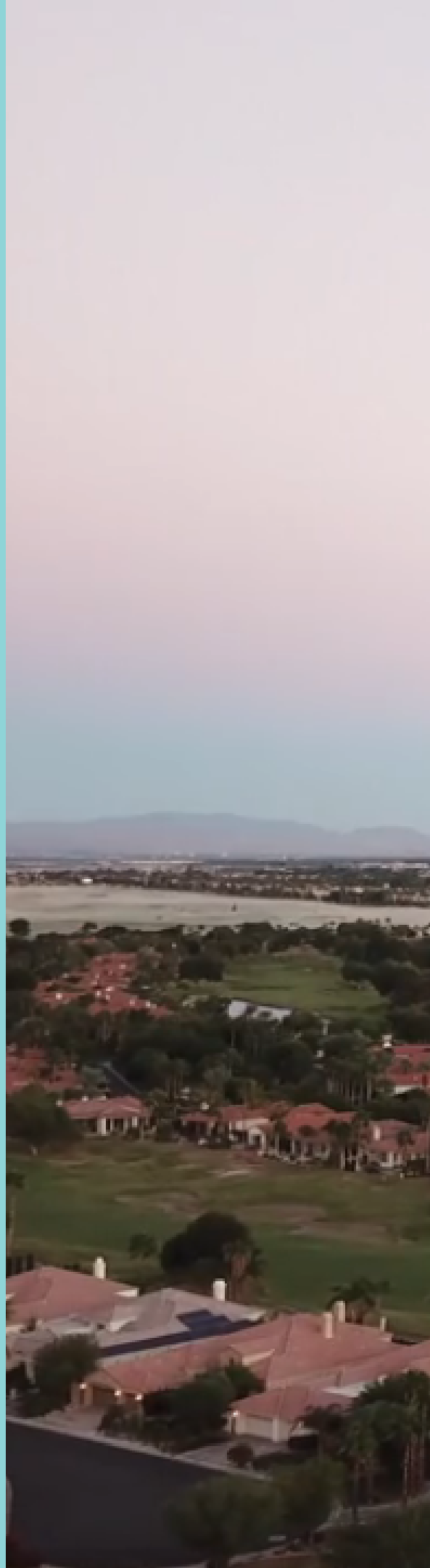
Desert Water Agency Election 2022



Welcome!

Agenda

- Introductions
- DWA overview
- Board member overview
- Election divisions overview
- Board benefits
- Paperwork overview
- Questions & discussions



About DWA

Who: Special district, government, not-for-profit

What:

- Water management
- Tap water
- Wastewater conveyance
- Recycled water

When: 1961 - present

Where: Western Coachella Valley

Why: Ensure that future generations can enjoy water here like we do today

How: 5-member board, 86 employees, community partnership



About DWA

Who:

An independent special district is a local form of government that is created, funded, and overseen by community residents to provide a new or enhanced level of service and infrastructure to a community. Like counties and cities, special districts are an independent form of local government.

Funded by taxes and rates.



About DWA

What:

- Water management
Imported water, Sustainable Groundwater Management, Integrated Regional Water Management
- Tap water
Palm Springs, parts of Cathedral City. +2550 water quality tests a year, no major water quality issues
- Wastewater conveyance
Cathedral City Cove, Dream Homes
- Recycled water
Golf courses, Demuth Park, our campus, medians



About DWA

When:

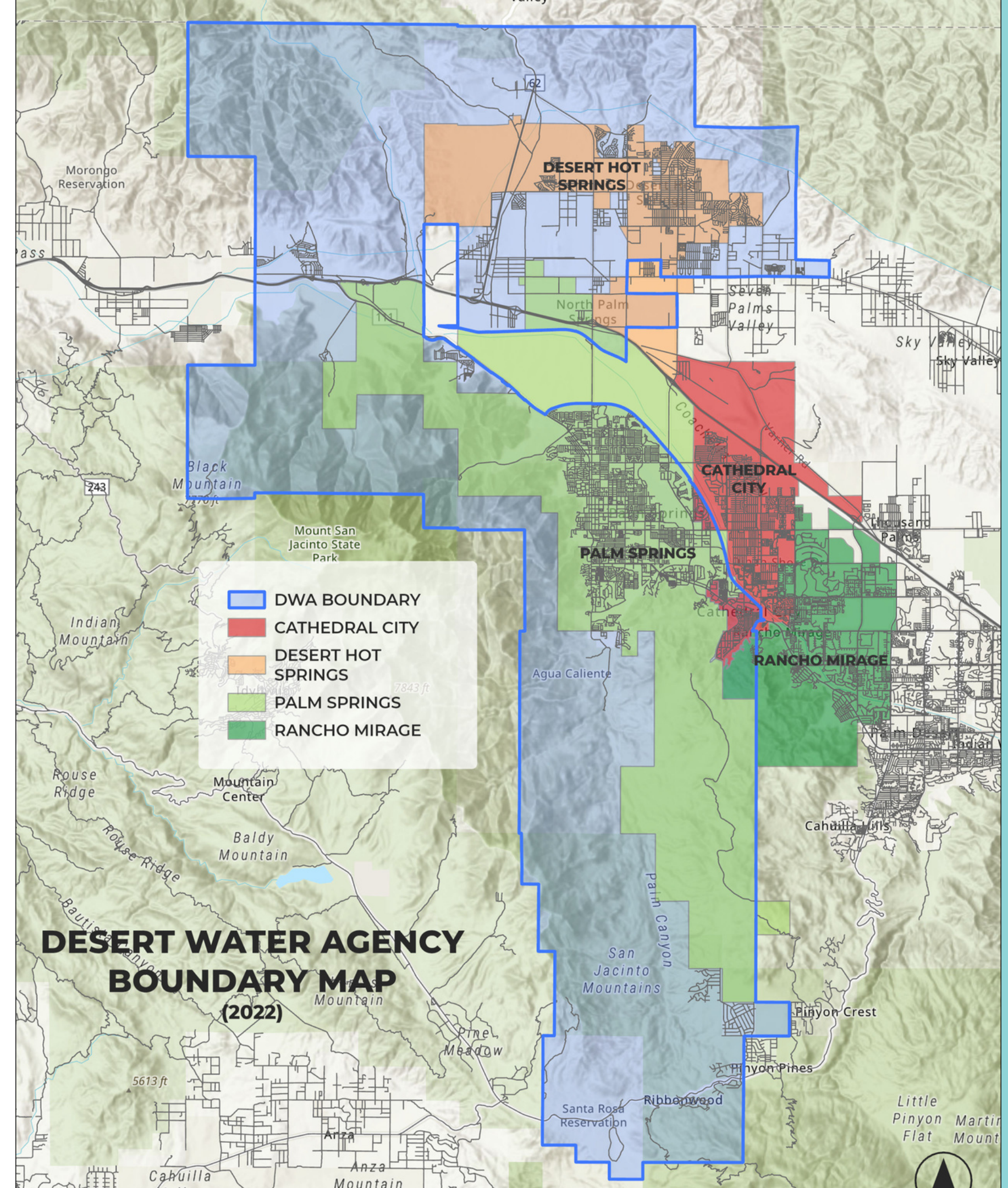
- 1961 - founded by California Senate Bill 1082
- 1962 - DHS annexed into Desert Water Agency by request
- 1962 - water import contract with Department of Water Resources
- 1967 - DWA and Metropolitan Water District sign exchange agreement
- 1968 - DWA purchases PS and CC Water Company to provide tap water
- 1973 - DWA & CVWD begin replenishing groundwater basin
- 1988 - DWA opens recycling facility & begins to recycle wastewater
- 2002 - DWA opens Mission Creek Groundwater Replenishment Facility
- 2005 - DWA opens first solar field at Ops Center
- 2010 - DWA works with partners to develop Water Management Plan
- 2013 - DWA, CVWD & MSWD adopt Mission Creek WMP
- 2015 - DWA becomes Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SGMA)
- 2015 - Emergency drought restrictions
- 2019 - DWA starts transition to election by division
- 2020 - DWA completes Snow Creek Water Filtration Plant
- 2022 - Drought emergency restrictions



About DWA

Where:

- Palm Springs
- Desert Hot Springs
- Portions of Cathedral City
- Portions of Riverside County



About DWA

Why:

Ensure that future generations can enjoy water here like we do today

Help us document mission, vision, direction!



About DWA

How:

Board members - community representatives, meet first and third Tuesday of the month at 8 a.m. plus committee meetings and conferences

General Manager - reports to Board of Directors, manages staff and operations

Team - 86 employees. Engineers, construction crews, accountants, IT, conservation experts, meter readers, planners, human resources, public affairs team, administrative assistants

Operations funded by rates and tax revenue



Board role

- Setting the direction for the Agency
- Establishing and supporting the policies and structure of the district
- Overseeing the financial resources necessary to fund the district
- Guiding employee relations policy, including the hiring and supervising of the general manager who, in turn, operates the district and hires/manages its staff
- Serving as community leaders who communicate effectively on behalf of the agency



Guiding laws/principles

- Federal law
- State law
- California Water Code
- DWA law
- Elections/campaign requirements
- Ethics & sexual harassment training
- Brown Act - communication

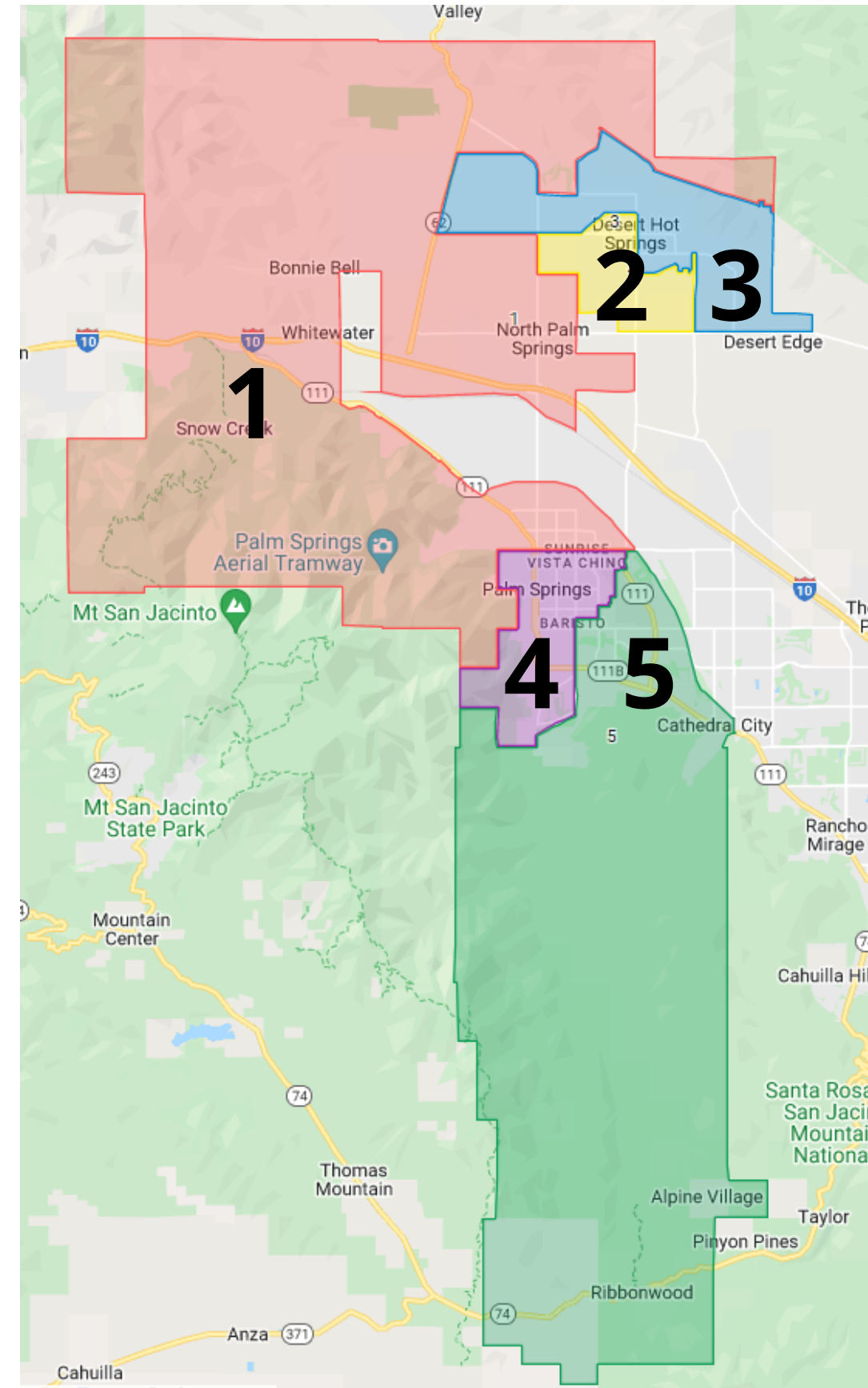


Electoral map



November 2022 election

- Division 1
- Division 2
- Division 3



Board benefits

- \$389.75 per diem for days with meetings (max 10/month)
- Health/vision/dental care coverage options
- Deferred compensation options
- Agency issued cell phone/laptop
- Educational/travel expenses covered (approved water conferences)



Paperwork overview

- Must reside in and be a registered voter within the Division.
- Nomination period: July 18 through August 12, 2022
- Get nomination paperwork by appointment from Sylvia Baca, Asst. Secretary of the Board (sbaca@dwa.org) or the County Registrar's Office.
- It's the candidate's responsibility to confirm receipt of completed nomination materials with Registrar's office by the

filing deadline: 5:00 p.m., Friday August 12

- Registrar of Voters:

2720 Gateway Drive
Riverside, CA 92507-0918
(951) 486-7224
website: voteinfo.net

Monday through Friday
8:00am - 5:00pm, except holidays

Get involved



- File paperwork by 5:00 p.m. on August 12 with the Riverside County Registrar's Office
- Run and/or vote in November

THANK YOU!



One-on-one questions & discussions

DESERT WATER

