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U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Awards Rancho Water \$2 Million for Well Construction

Temecula, Calif. – The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) announced the award of \$2 million in grant funding to the Rancho California Water District (Rancho Water/District). The funding will be used to construct a new well in the Rancho Water service area.

Rancho Water's project was one of 13 that were selected in Reclamation's 2022 Drought Resiliency Project Grant Program. The program is part of [WaterSMART](#), which works to implement actions to increase water supply through investments that modernize existing infrastructure. It supports a proactive approach to drought by providing water managers assistance to implement projects to build long-term resiliency to drought and climate change.

"Rancho Water is proud to work hand-in-hand with Reclamation for these important water supply projects," said Robert Grantham, Rancho Water General Manager. "We share Reclamation's goal of leveraging creativity and innovation to create a legacy of conservation stewardship that will secure water supplies for future generations."

With the \$2 million in grant funding, Rancho Water will construct a well in the Upper Valle de Los Caballos (VDC) area. This is the fourth well that Reclamation has helped to fund through this grant program, and the \$2 million award is the largest thus far. With this new grant, a total of \$5 million has now been committed by Reclamation for construction of wells. Once complete, these wells are anticipated to extract approximately 5,000 acre feet per year of recharged groundwater for use by Rancho Water's customers.

For more information about Rancho Water's construction projects and grant management, visit RanchoWater.com.

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About Rancho California Water District: *The mission of Rancho Water is to deliver reliable, high-quality water, wastewater, and reclamation services to its customers and communities in a prudent and sustainable manner. Rancho Water is a local, independent Special District, organized on August 16, 1965, servicing approximately 150 square miles and about 45,000 service connections in Temecula, Murrieta, and parts of unincorporated Riverside County.*

