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# PERRIS NORTH GROUNDWATER PROGRAM KICKS OFF

EMWD has kicked off its Perris North Groundwater Program with the construction of two groundwater wells in northern Moreno Valley.

The program is a long-term solution to improve groundwater quality in the Perris North Groundwater Basin, located in the Moreno Valley area. The program will not only clean up groundwater that is currently unuseable, but it will also provide safe drinking water for approximately 15,000 households annually.

Last year, EMWD received an agency-record \$44.9 million grant from the State Water Resources Control Board for the program. The grant is funded through the voter-approved Proposition 1 Water Bond of 2014. For more information on this program, visit [emwd.org](http://emwd.org).



## TAP INTO WHAT'S NEW: PAYMENT ASSISTANCE

EMWD is committed to helping our customers get through these challenging times by working together.

*Did you know?* EMWD has implemented a series of payment assistance programs, including Riverside County's Community Action Partnership (CAP) Cares Program, to further assist those that may need help paying their water bill. To see if you are eligible for these programs, and to learn more, visit: [www.emwd.org/payment-assistance-programs](http://www.emwd.org/payment-assistance-programs)



# WATERWISE PROGRAMS AND REBATES

EMWD is doing more to help its customers stay water-wise by providing an array of FREE and low-cost programs.

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[www.emwd.org/waterwise-programs-and-rebates](http://www.emwd.org/waterwise-programs-and-rebates)



## FUNDING INCREASES FOR DESALINATION PROGRAM

EMWD received \$25 million through the Water Resources Development Act, that was signed into law in late December 2020, for its Desalination Program; this brings the total federal funding support for this Program from \$25 million to \$50 million. The payments will be authorized over several years to fund additional infrastructure and technology that will increase local water supply availability and further reduce EMWD's dependence on imported water supplies.

In the past decade, EMWD has received more than \$500 million in direct project funds, grants or low-interest loans to expand its water, wastewater and recycled water programs. This funding helps keep costs low for EMWD's customers. Visit [emwd.org](http://emwd.org) for more information.

### DID YOU KNOW?



Customers may do their part to reduce salinity by eliminating use of self-regenerating water softeners, which discharge large amounts of salt in the sewer system.

Learn more at [emwd.org](http://emwd.org).



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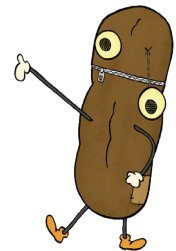
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