

**Long-term, Basin-wide 404 Permitting Effort (\$150,000 over 3 years)**

**FY 2014/15 \$100,000; FY 2015/16 \$25,000; FY 2016/17 \$25,000**

**O&M: Assumes 50/50 split IEUA \$75,000 and CBWM \$75,000**

A Nationwide 404 Permit was just issued on 2/26/14 by the US Army Corps of Engineers for O&M of 13 Chino Basin Recharge Facilities. Nationwide Permits automatically expire every 5 years and it takes 2 ½ to 3 years for the entire process of re-applying and obtaining a new permit. In the next round, the Corps has encouraged IEUA to apply for an Individual (or Regional General) Permit which can last 15 years. Although the process is more extensive and the up-front cost is greater, the annual cost is less expensive. The project scope includes developing a strategy (which type of permit and which facilities), data collection, biological surveys, compliance with NEPA and Historic Preservation Act, preparation and submittal of permit application, and ongoing coordination and response to comments from the Corps, Flood Control, Fish and Wildlife and Regional Board. As part of the application, full jurisdictional analyses will be submitted for at least 5 recharge facilities which have a high probability of being determined non-jurisdictional and thus eliminating the need for any 404 permits (construction or maintenance) for at least 5 years, with extension possible. This project should be considered part of the O&M costs for the recharge program and thus subject to Section 8.1b of the Peace II Agreement.