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Marketing Cll Incentives:

If You Feed Them, They Will Come

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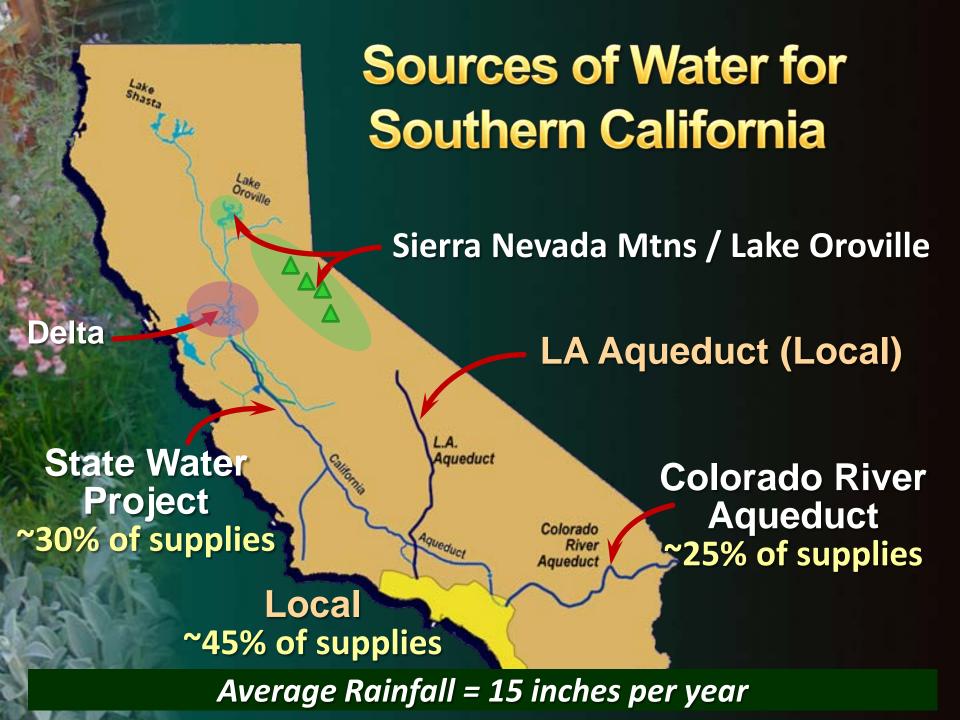




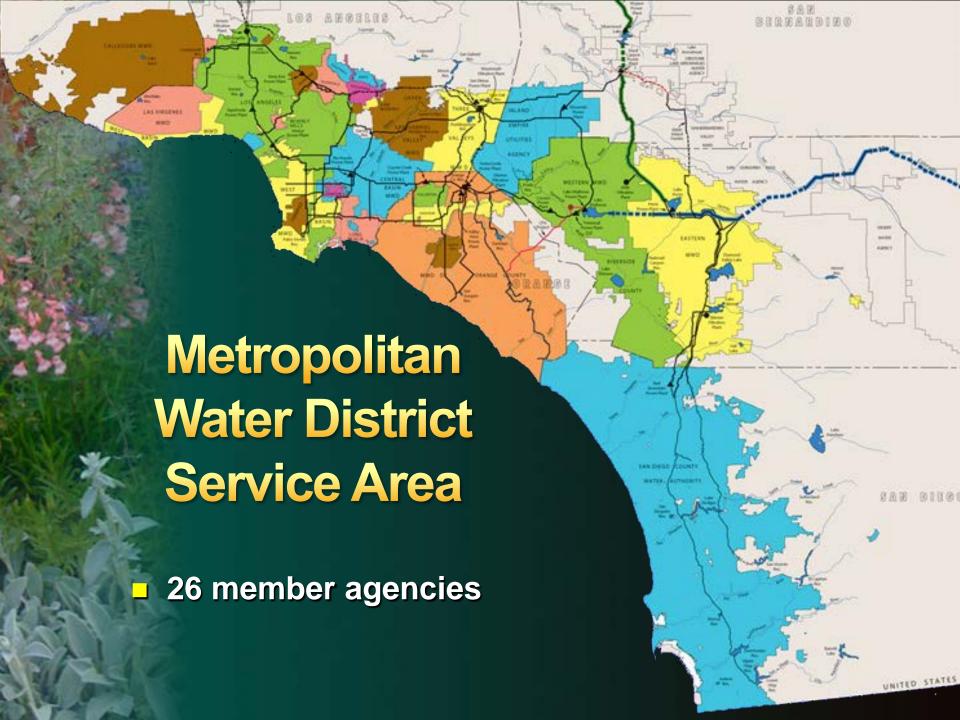












"Lunch n' Learn"

- Established in 2010
- Multiple years without specific marketing
- Significant program changes
- Reengage existing trade allies, gain new ones, and to solicit feedback







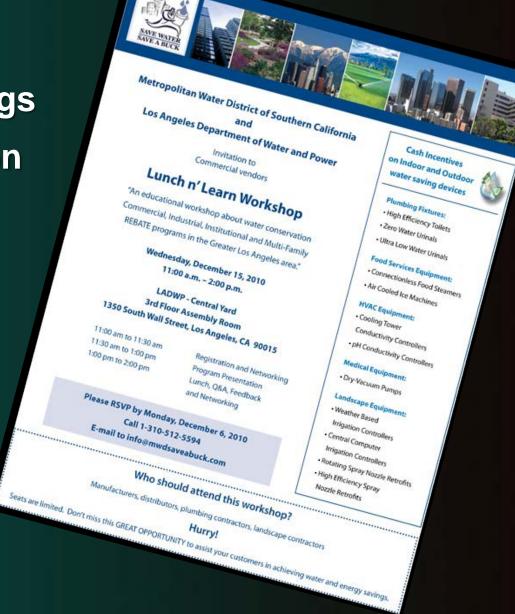






Long-Term Goals

- Achieve water savings
- Increase participation
- Increase program awareness
- Educate customers
- Strengthen ties with professionals



Target Audience

- Contractors
 - Plumbing
 - Landscape
 - HVAC
- Manufacturers and distributors
- "3rd party" vendors, consultants
- Management companies, business owners
- Water industry professionals













General Format

- Local member/retail agency presentation
- Regional (Metropolitan) presentation
- Program overview, processes, policies
- Lunch!
- Q&A and networking





Costs: Inexpensive!

- Site: member agency / local facilities
- Existing handouts & collaterals
- Lunch
- Staff time



Example: MWDOC February 7, 2011

- Location: Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) Board Room
- Focus: landscape equipment incentives
- Presentations
 - Bill McDonnell (MWD)
 - Joe Berg (MWDOC)
 - Elaine MacGilfrey &Tiffany Nguyen (SAB)

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- Rob Edelstein (Bottomline Utility Solutions)
- Attendees: 62 guests + 10 hosts
- 43 organizations represented
- Cost: \$1,318.28



Results

- "New" active contractors identified in SAB
- Decreased contractor calls to CSRs
- Retail agency staff better educated
- Direct effects hard to gauge
 - Increased / decreased activity likely also resulted from changed incentives



Surveys Positive

- What was your perception of the Presentations?
 - "Very informative and to the point"
 - "I thought it was very well done"
- What did you like?
 - "All of it"
 - "Detailed descriptions of how to navigate the website"
- How could we make it better?
 - "More round table type discussion to help the industry"
 - "Reduce the peripheral trivia"



- New program vendor, new marketing strategies
- Plan to continue "Lunch 'n' Learn" with modifications
 - More aggressively target specific sectors
 - Strengthen ties with contractors and industry professionals
 - Increase coordination with other utilities





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