



FREEMAN DIVERSION WATER REDUCTION IMPACTS ON VENTURA COUNTY

Approximately 377,600 people depend daily on groundwater aquifers recharged through United Water Conservation District's Freeman Diversion Facility; that's almost HALF of Ventura County!

The Freeman Diversion operations support an estimated **16,800 jobs.**

An estimated **\$1.08 Billion** of annual crop production in Ventura County is supported by the Freeman Diversion Facility.

The Freeman Diversion operations support an estimated **\$994 Million** in direct and indirect agriculture income.

Ventura County's minority population represents **99%** of all agriculture jobs and will be disproportionately impacted by job losses, as a result of reductions in diversion.

In the cities of Ventura, Oxnard and Port Hueneme, more than **20%** of residents currently have 'unaffordable water bills'.

Reductions in water diversion at the Freeman Diversion Facility will impact cities and business water users by an estimated **\$1 million to \$2.25 million** annually.

Locally, a 10,000 acre feet reduction in water from the Freeman Diversion will result in:

1,500 LOCAL JOBS LOST

\$91.1M FOR LOCAL ECONOMY LOST

PROPERTY VALUE DECLINE

PROPERTY TAX RECEIPTS DECLINE

RESIDENTIAL WATER BILLS INCREASE

COMMERCIAL WATER BILLS INCREASE

WATER SHORTAGES



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