

**Santa Ana River, Reach 3** – Reach 3 is that portion of the river that extends upstream from Prado Dam to the Mission Boulevard bridge in Riverside. Reach 3 was placed on the 303(d) list in 1988, however, only the lower segment of Reach 3 (behind Prado Dam) was designated as impaired. After TMDL development activities commenced and monitoring results were generated, the TMDL effort was expanded to include all of Reach 3 because monitoring results indicated that other areas of Reach 3 experienced elevated bacteria levels as well. Reach 3 generally flows from east to west and has a natural, unlined bottom, throughout most of its length; there is an approximately 3.5 mile stretch of the upper segment that has been straightened and has rip-rapped banks.

Baseflow in the Santa Ana River, Reach 3 consists of nuisance runoff, rising groundwater, and discharges from several Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTWs) that occur in Reach 3 or upstream Reaches. These POTW discharges include those from the City of Colton, the City of San Bernardino Rapid Infiltration and Extraction Facility (RIX), City of Riverside Water Quality Control Plant, Western Riverside Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant and the City of Corona Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant.