



OVERVIEW FACT SHEET

The IBWC is responsible for applying the boundary and water treaties between the United States and Mexico.

- ✓ **Flood Control:** Maintain more than 500 miles of levees, 700 hydraulic structures, 100 gaging stations, and 20,000 acres of floodplain.
- ✓ **Water Delivery:** Ensure compliance with 1906 Convention and 1944 Water Treaty for the Rio Grande and Colorado River.
- ✓ **Dams and Hydroelectric Power Plants:** Manage two international storage dams with hydroelectric power plants - Falcon and Amistad - and 4 diversion dams.
- ✓ **Sanitation:** Three international wastewater treatment plants
- ✓ **International Bridges and Boundary Demarcation:** Maintain two international bridges and almost 800 monuments, markers, and buoys that demarcate the U.S.-Mexico border.

SOME MAJOR ONGOING USIBWC PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES:

- San Diego's South Bay International Wastewater Treatment Plant Rehabilitation and Expansion
- San Diego Canyon Collector Improvements
- Colorado River Minute 323 and Minute 330 Conservation Projects in partnership with Reclamation
- Nogales International Wastewater Treatment Plant Biosolids Management
- Upper Rio Grande: Sunland Park Levee, Zaragoza Levee, and American Canal Lower Reach
- Minute 331 Rio Grande Binational Policy, Hydrology, Environment and Projects Work Groups
- Minute 332 Amistad Dam Sinkhole Repairs
- Safety of Dams Projects: Amistad Penstocks 4 and 5, Falcon Spillway, electrical, mechanical and structural upgrades throughout
- Partner with TCEQ on the Texas Clean Rivers Program for the Rio Grande Basin
- Lower Rio Grande: Brownsville Levee and Arroyo Colorado Sediment Removal
- Mercedes, TX Field Office Administrative Building
- Rio Grande and Floodways: Hydraulic Modeling, Sediment Accumulation and Flow Capacity Analysis
- Heavy Equipment Replacement in all field offices
- Asset management and capital plan for all field offices

USIBWC STAFFING AND BUDGET AT 12 OFFICES IN THE BORDER REGION AND WASHINGTON D.C.:

- FY24 Salaries and Expenses appropriation: \$64.8M
- FY24 construction appropriation: \$156M
- 300 total positions
- FY 2010 - 2020 average construction budget \$31M

FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT:

- Equipment replacement in all field offices \$36M.
- Facilities Renovation \$31M is needed for 61 facilities.

FLOOD CONTROL PROGRAM:

Rio Grande Flood Control Program:

- High Priority - \$91M needed for 14 miles of levees and levee gap repairs for FEMA certification and flood control protection in urbanized areas and where high levee failure risks exist.
- Medium Priority – \$73M needed for 16 miles of levees and levee gaps repairs based on value/benefit, complexity/constraints, and risk/safety.

Tijuana River Levee Rehabilitation:

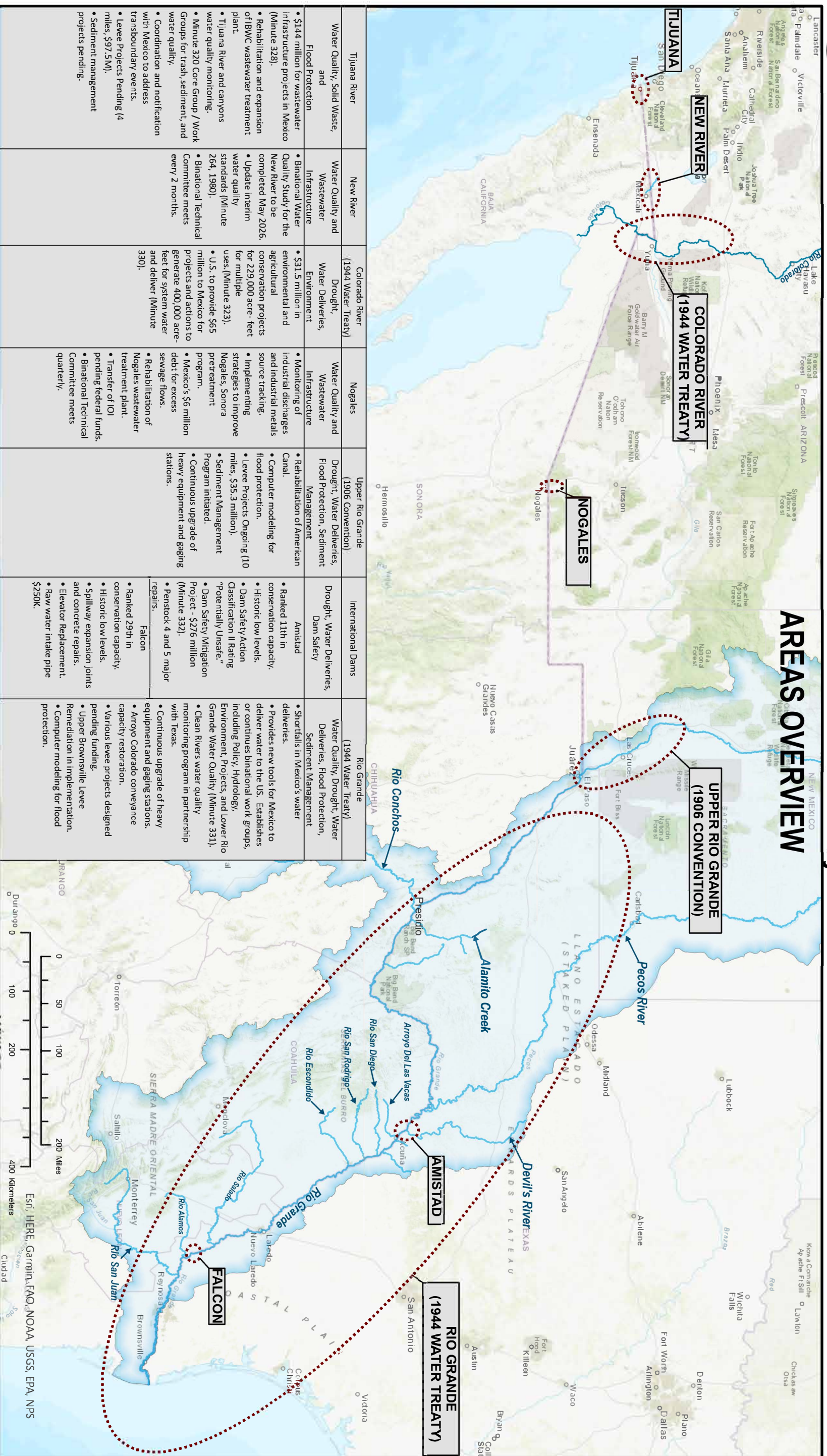
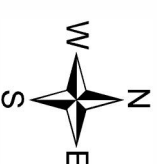
- High Priority – \$115M is needed for 4 miles of levee construction to comply with FEMA certification and sediment removal; \$5M needed for O&M.

OTHER UNFUNDED CRITICAL CAPITAL PROJECTS

- American Canal Middle Reach \$155M-\$174M
- Nogales Wastewater Treatment Plant Redundancy \$20M
- Sediment Removal Program

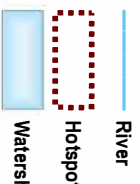


Strategic Priorities and Pending Projects of the U.S. Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission



Tijuana River	New River	Colorado River (1944 Water Treaty)	Nogales	Upper Rio Grande (1906 Convention)	International Dams	Rio Grande (1944 Water Treaty)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water Quality, Solid Waste, and Flood Protection \$144 million for wastewater infrastructure projects in Mexico (Minute 328). Rehabilitation and expansion of BWC wastewater treatment plant. Tijuana River and canyons water quality monitoring. Minute 320 Core Group / Work Groups for trash, sediment, and water quality. Coordination and notification transboundary events. Levee Projects Pending (4 miles, \$97.5M). Sediment management projects pending. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water Quality and Wastewater Infrastructure Binational Water Quality Study for the New River to be completed May 2026. Update interim water quality standards (Minute 264, 1980). Binational Technical Committee meets every 2 months. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drought, Water Deliveries, Environment \$31.5 million in environmental and agricultural conservation projects for 229,000 acre- feet for multiple uses (Minute 323). U.S. to provide \$65 million to Mexico for projects and actions to generate 400,000 acre-feet for system water and deliver (Minute 330). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water Quality and Wastewater Infrastructure Monitoring of industrial discharges and industrial metals source tracking. Implementing strategies to improve Nogales, Sonora pretreatment Mexico's \$6 million debt for excess sewage flows. Rehabilitation of Nogales wastewater treatment plant. Transfer of IOI pending federal funds. Binational Technical Committee meets quarterly. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drought, Water Deliveries, Flood Protection, Sediment Management Rehabilitation of American Canal. Computer modeling for flood protection. Levee Projects Ongoing (10 miles, \$35.3 million). Sediment Management Program initiated. Continuous upgrade of heavy equipment and gaging stations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drought, Water Deliveries, Dam Safety Amistad Ranked 11th in conservation capacity. Historic low levels. Dam Safety/Action Classification II Rating "Potentially Unsafe." Dam Safety Mitigation Project - \$276 million (Minute 332). Penstock 4 and 5 major repairs. Falcon Ranked 29th in conservation capacity. Historic low levels. Spillway expansion joints and concrete repairs. Elevator Replacement. Raw water intake pipe \$250K. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Water Quality, Drought, Water Deliveries, Flood Protection, Sediment Management Shortfalls in Mexico's water deliveries. Provides new tools for Mexico to deliver water to the U.S. Establishes or continues binational work groups, including Policy, Hydrology, Environment, Projects, and Lower Rio Grande Water Quality (Minute 331). Clean Rivers water quality monitoring program in partnership with Texas. Continuous upgrade of heavy equipment and gaging stations. Arroyo Colorado conveyance capacity restoration. Various levee projects designed pending funding. Upper Brownsville Levee Remediation in implementation. Computer modeling for flood protection.

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