

Landscape Evaluation/Audit Program Manager

The Chino Basin Water Conservation District (CBWCD), which assists in replenishing the ground water in the Chino Groundwater Basin utilizing their eight basins to capture storm water, receive imported and recycled water, and provides public information and education programs, has hired Juan Zamora to manage the Landscape Evaluation and Audit Program (LEAP). The LEAP program provides onsite irrigation system evaluations to identify landscape water saving opportunities for commercial, industrial, and institutional properties within its service area in the Chino Basin.

For the past ten years Juan has worked as a consultant to WaterWise Consulting providing training to landscape professionals through the Metropolitan Water District's Protector Del Agua program in both English and Spanish. He also provided support to successfully implement other MWD water conservation programs.

Zamora began his water industry career in 1990 with the Vista Irrigation District in North San Diego County. Juan was instrumental in establishing water use budgets for all of the Vista Irrigation District's customers. He has performed over eight hundred indoor and outdoor home water conservation surveys and numerous large landscape audits. Juan has been a Certified Landscape Irrigation Auditor (CLIA) through the Irrigation Association since 1991. He is an AWWA Water Conservation Practitioner and also holds certificates from Cal Poly in Landscape Water Management and Basic Soil, Plant and Water Relationships.

"I am very pleased and excited to bring my experience and enthusiasm for conserving water to the Conservation District," said Zamora. "We are facing a severe water shortage due to the drought. I want to be able to help large property owners reduce the amount of unnecessary water they use on landscape irrigation."

Juan and his wife, Alma, reside in Temecula.