

SOUTH REGION CDC HEALTH SURVEY



The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is working with the County of San Diego to learn more about **health concerns and impacts from sewage and pollution in the Tijuana River Valley**. This will be done through a survey called a **Community Assessment for Public Health Emergency Response, or CASPER**.

WHAT IS A CASPER?



CASPER stands for Community Assessment for Public Health Emergency Response. It is a type of household survey developed by the CDC.

- It is a way to quickly gather information about the needs of an affected community.
- It is a point-in-time survey.

HOW IS A CASPER DONE?



CASPER is done by interviewing people face-to-face in their community.

- A CASPER uses a two-stage sampling method designed to pick just the right number of households to interview. First, 30 blocks (clusters) are selected, then 7 households are selected in each block. A total of 210 interviews will be conducted.
- Representatives from the County and CDC will visit randomly selected homes in the South Region. They will ask about health concerns, experiences, and impacts from sewage and pollution in the Tijuana River Valley.
- If your home is randomly selected, the in-person survey will take about 15 minutes of your time. Participation is voluntary and anonymous.

WHAT WILL THE DATA BE USED FOR?



There has been a long history of cross-border flows containing untreated sewage, sediment, and trash entering the Tijuana River Valley. This impacts local recreation, damages sensitive habitats, threatens public health, and causes beach water contact closures.

Your input will help us better understand the health status, experiences, and needs in the South region of San Diego County related to sewage and pollution in the Tijuana River Valley.



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