

Types of ICS

2023 ICS Update

Extraordinary Conservation ICS – ICS created through extraordinary conservation measures such as fallowing, canal lining and desalination programs

System Efficiency ICS – ICS created when a contractor makes a capital contribution for use in funding projects designed to improve system efficiencies.

Tributary Conservation ICS – ICS created by leasing or purchasing pre-1929 documented water rights on the Colorado River system tributaries within the contractor's state.

Imported ICS – ICS created by introducing non-Colorado River System water in that contractor's state into the mainstem

Binational ICS – US parties provide funding for conservation projects in Mexico, helping to lower water demand and store more water in Lake Mead

DCP ICS – allows an entity to convert any other type of ICS into a DCP contribution, making ICS a tool that adds flexibility to how mandatory DCP contributions can be made to Lake Mead











