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AGENDA

- Introduction
- Gail Griffin
- Board Members
- System Summary
- Questions



Arizona State Senator, District 17

Chairman, Natural Resources, Energy and Water Committee



Board Members

- Courtney Adcock
- Gary Fehr
- Terry Berke
- Fred Zamora
- John Hart

MEETING TOPICS



What is a Regional Water System?



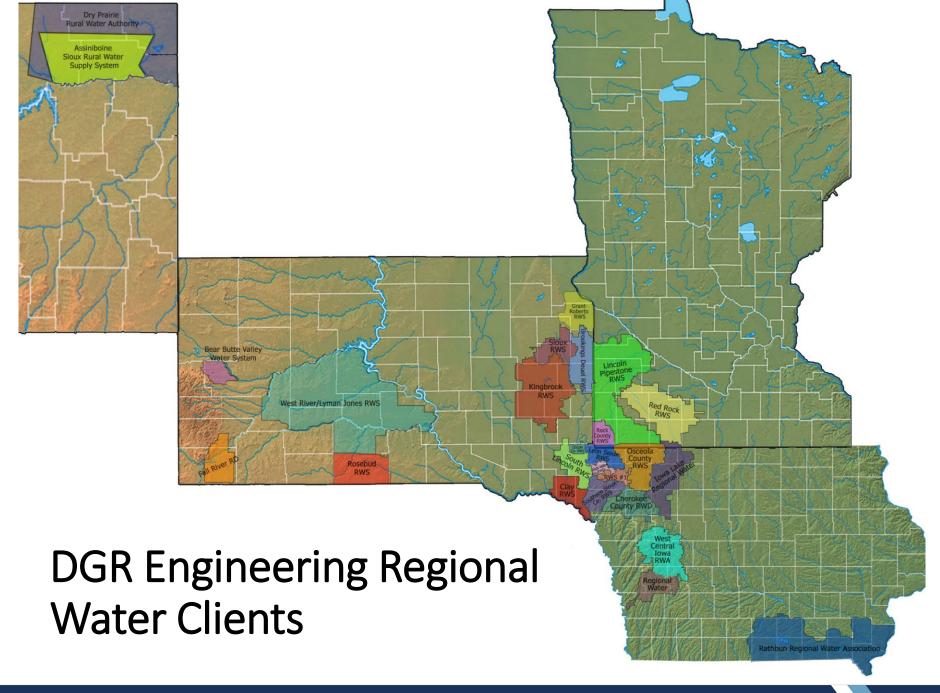
What is proposed in Cochise County?



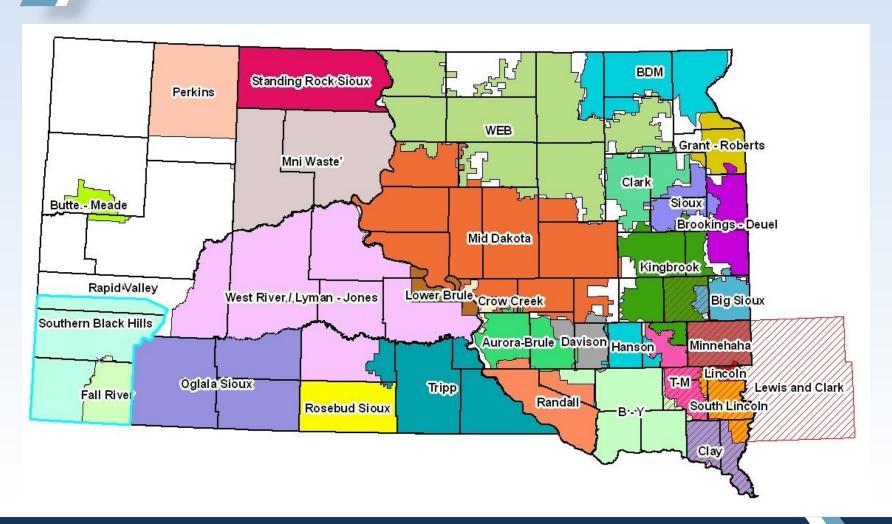
What are the costs?



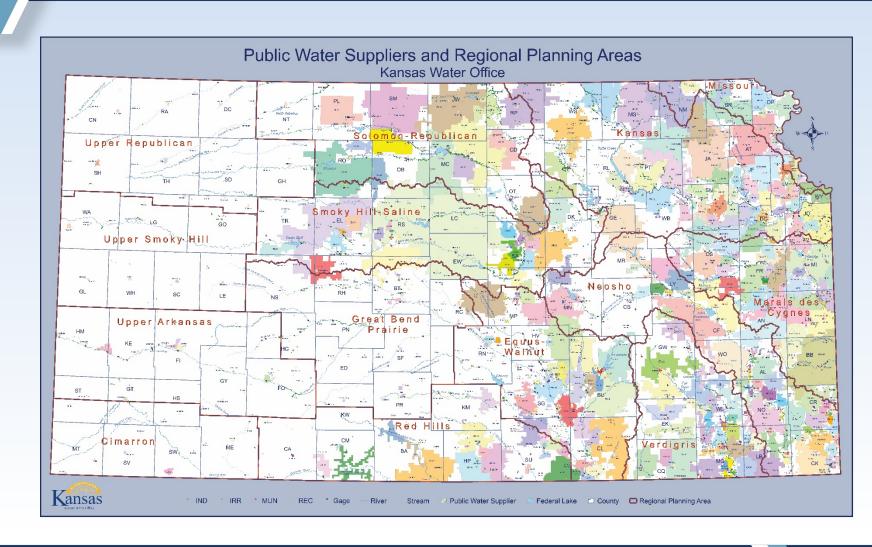
How can you participate?



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DGR Regional Water Clients

Number of services & miles of pipe



<u>System</u>	Meters	Miles
Bear Butte Valley Water	315	141
Rock Valley RWS	883	368
Rural Water System No. 1	1,350	550
Sioux RWS	1,703	800
Cherokee County RWD	1,930	904
Grant-Roberts RWS	1,948	719
Southern Sioux County RWS	2,032	863
Lyon & Sioux RWS	2,147	840
South Lincoln RW	2,161	740
Regional Water	2,237	793
SEAZWD	<mark>2,360</mark>	<mark>300</mark>
Lincoln County RWS	2,384	259
Red Rock RWS	2,515	1,528
Brookings-Deuel RWS	2,564	1,035
West Central IA RWA	3,192	1,544
West River/Lyman-Jones RWS	3,538	3,673
Osceola RWS	3,973	1,444
Iowa Lakes Rural Water	5,251	1,463
Kingbrook RW	5,405	2,663
Lincoln-Pipestone RW	5,586	3,148
Rathbun RWA	20,977	5,702

- Rural System
 - Residential needs
 - No fire protection
 - 1,000's of feet between users
 - Small diameter pipe





























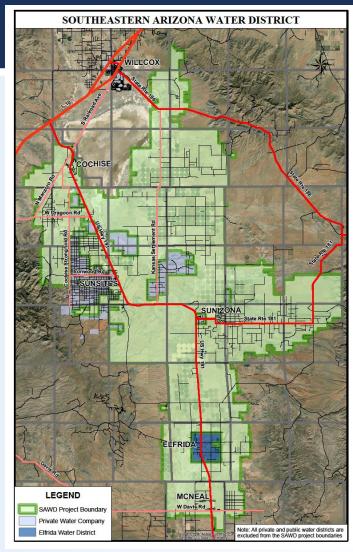


Why Regional Water?

- Water is always available
- Trained and certified professional staff providing continuous maintenance
- Better water quality than alternatives
- Regulated sanitary and contaminant monitoring
- Lower consumer capital cost
- Better reliability

Southeastern Arizona Water District Project Concept SOUTHEASTERN ARIZONA WATER DISTRICT SOUTHEASTERN ARIZONA WATER DISTRICT

- Design for domestic use
- 2360 rural residences identified
- 7700 vacant parcels
- 300 plus miles of pipeline
- 450 square miles land area
- Conceptual initial facilities
 - wells (2)
 - reservoirs (2)
 - pump stations (5)



Member Governed Utility District

- Established by county commission pursuant to petition
- Initial Board of Directors named by the petition
- Board responsibilities:
 - Set policies for district operations
 - Hire a manager or management company
 - Set budgets and rates
 - Retain consultants and professionals including legal, engineering, and finance
 - Monitor and approve capital improvements
 - Monthly or quarterly meetings
- The county has no active role in district governance or operations

District Operation

- Policy and vision set by directors
- Rates and budget set annually by directors by June 30
- Operations and management by hired or contracted staff
- Staff Responsibilities
 - Monitor operations
 - Assure regulatory compliance
 - Interact with customers
 - Handle monthly billing and collections
 - Repairs and Maintenance
 - Capital Improvements planning and recommendations

Project Funding

- USDA Rural Development loans and grants
 - Project area eligible for up to 55% grant
 - Low interest 30- to 40-year loans
- State loan and grant programs
- Potential donations



Costs to the Consumer



Monthly water bill

- Approximately \$50 minimum monthly bill
- Total average monthly bill \$70 to \$95 for a household



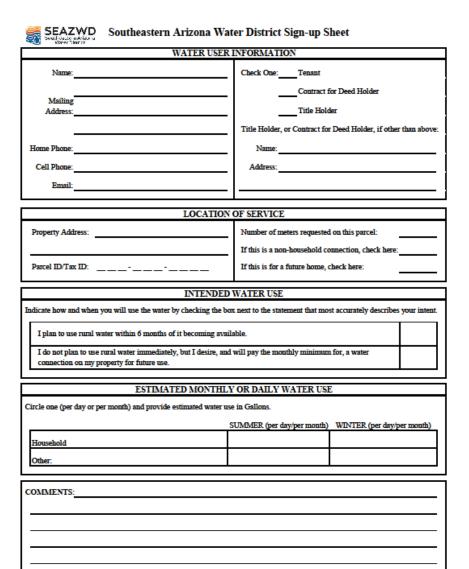
Funding agencies
will partially control
the ultimate costs
using grants, principal
forgiveness and
low interest loans

The Road to Completion

- Conceptual Project
 - Interested parties and individual leaders
 - Concept Budget
- Formal Organization
 - Developmental steering committee
 - Public information and meetings
 - Feasibility study
 - Report on Project Cost and project funding
- Final signup and final design
- Rights of way will be an important consideration
- Construction
- Initial Operation

Interest Form

- Will be used to assess interest and design system
- Name and location of service
- Desired level of service
 - Connection to household and immediate service
 - Facility on site but connection deferred



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