



“Regional collaboration to ensure an ample, high-quality water supply”

Water Focus Areas

- Water Supply
- Conservation and Education
- Cost of Water

Key Challenges

- Limited nature of water resources
- Need for drought resiliency planning
- Need for conservation information and improved marketing around conservation education
- Aging and failing infrastructure
- Lack of funding for preventative maintenance and replacement
- Supply concerns to meet future needs
- Balancing the water needs among user types; industrial, commercial, municipal, and agricultural

Top Strategies

- Determine need for alternative regional water supply
- Develop a regional plan to address drought response
- Develop regional forum for advocacy around water policies/issues
- Develop and implement effective conservation education programs with models of successful incentives/disincentives/programs for each user type
- Develop water rate models and best management practices tailored to individual needs that promote revenue sustainability with conservation and drought condition strategies, including phased-in conservation
- Develop asset inventory model that includes age/condition to understand repair/replacement costs
- Develop best practice information on benefits of “full-cost pricing” and examples of use and success with other utilities.

Plan Deliverables

- Water conference
- Water education videos around good lawn irrigation practices
- Water directory tool
- Best Practices around drought plan elements, proactive/preventative maintenance/planning and asset management, and the influence, impact and role of a regional coordinating structure

Questions?

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