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**Colorado Springs Submits Permit Application to El Paso County:** On Oct. 1, Colorado Springs Utilities began submitting a series of applications to El Paso County for the Approval of Location Permits required for the [Southern Delivery System](#) (SDS).

As part of this process, impacted landowners and those with property adjacent to the project will receive notification letters. In November, SDS project participants will host two public information sessions for El Paso County residents. The El Paso County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing and provide opportunity for public comment, mostly likely in early 2010.

SDS will transport raw water from Pueblo Reservoir and pump it north through a 53-mile buried pipeline to a water treatment plant located just northeast of the Colorado Springs airport and terminal storage reservoir located at Upper Williams Creek just off of east Bradley Road. Approximately 33 miles of raw water pipeline will be constructed within unincorporated El Paso County. In addition to the raw water pipeline, two pumping stations – Williams Creek and Bradley – will be located in El Paso County. The water treatment plant will be constructed on the northeast side of the City of Colorado Springs.

The raw and finished water pipelines, pump stations, and water treatment plant will be constructed as part of Phase I of the SDS project. Phase II of the project will include the construction of a terminal storage reservoir at Upper Williams Creek and an exchange reservoir, including return flow diversion and conveyance, at Lower Williams Creek.

Following are highlights of the construction schedule for key project components:

**Phase I**

**2010:**

- Begin construction of the Pueblo Dam connection.
- Dredge Fountain Creek to restore 100-year flood capacity.
- Improve water quality in Fountain Creek by establishing wetlands and realigning the creek at Clear Spring Ranch.
- Begin construction on treated water pipeline along Marksheffel Road.

**2011:**

- Begin Pueblo West pipeline construction.

**2012-2016:**

- Construct remaining pipelines, pump stations and water treatment plant.
- Startup would begin in late 2015.
- Delivery of water from SDS beginning in spring 2016.

**Phase II**

**Approximately 2020-2025:**

- Construct terminal storage reservoir at Upper Williams Creek and an exchange reservoir, including return flow diversion and conveyance, at Lower Williams Creek.

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