

Southern Delivery System: Our Future Depends On It

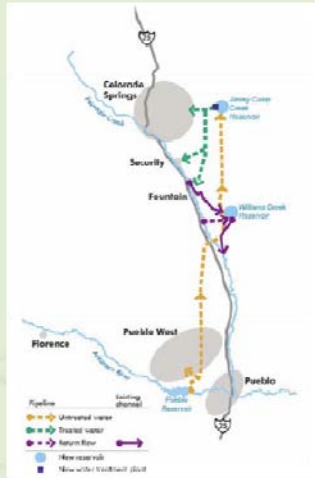
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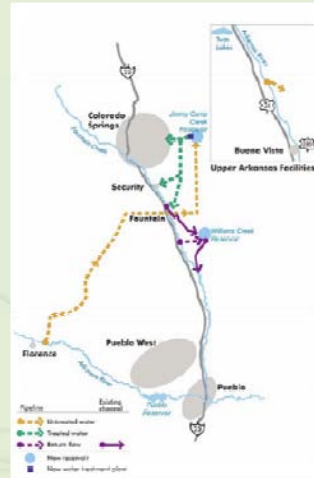
- Our Future depends on it
 - Growing Community
 - Drought Protection
 - System Reliability



Alternative 2: Proposed Action



Alternative 7: Highway 115

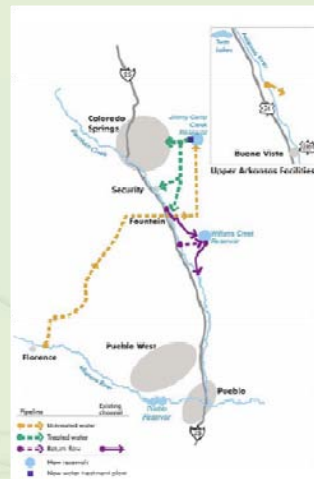


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Four commitments

- Fremont County won't have to help pay for SDS
- We'll restore any land we disturb
- Landowners will be fairly compensated
- We won't harm your water

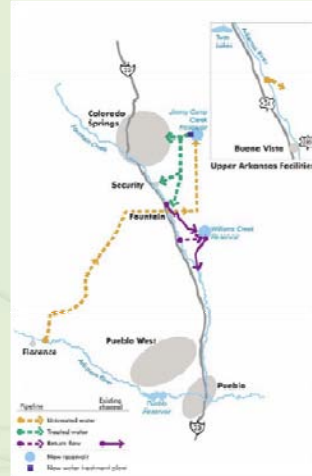
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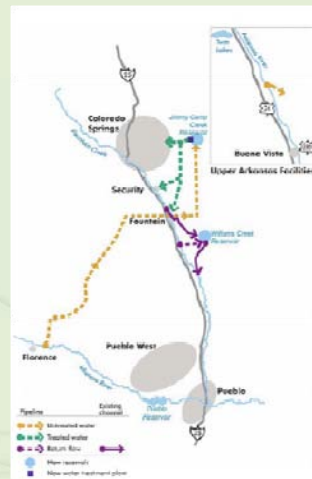
- Fremont County Intergovernmental agreement
 - Well-defined permitting process
 - Reimburse County
 - \$50,000 deposit
 - Covers cost of:
 - Public hearings
 - Legal fees
 - Engineering consultants
 - Any other activities related to SDS permits



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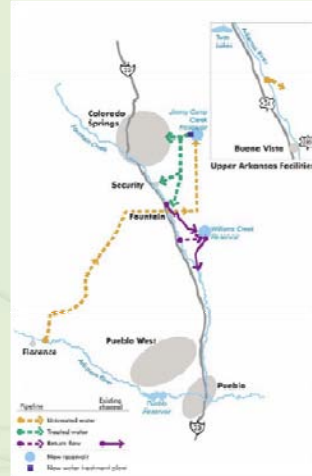
- Mitigate impacts
- Restore land we disturb to preconstruction conditions



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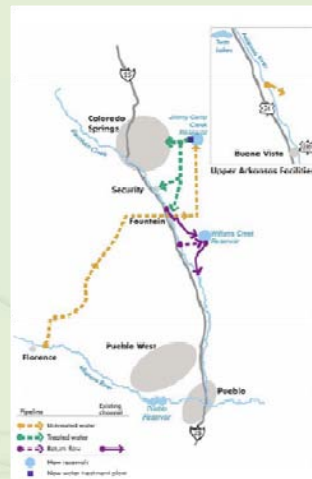
- Have met with many landowners
- Evaluating alignment, tested soil and geological conditions
- Will keep owners informed
- Landowners fairly compensated



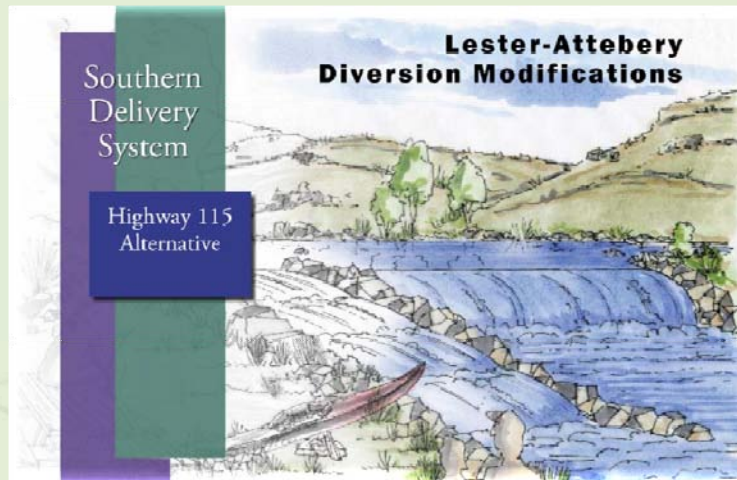
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- Take water downstream from Fremont County communities
 - Won't affect quality of water
 - Won't increase treatment costs
- Upper Arkansas Voluntary Flow Management Program continues
- No return flow to Arkansas River above Pueblo Reservoir



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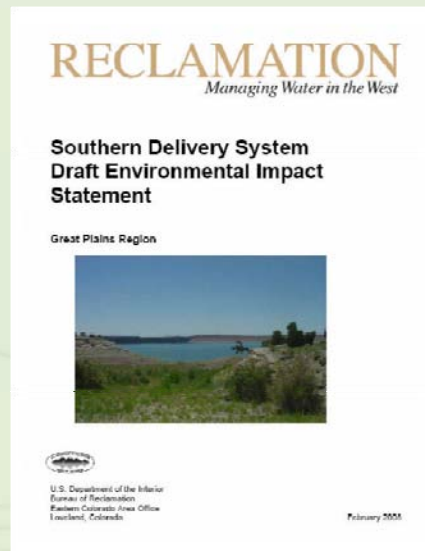


Three Priorities:

- Complete NEPA Process
- Obtain Permits
- Complete Necessary Land-Acquisition Activities



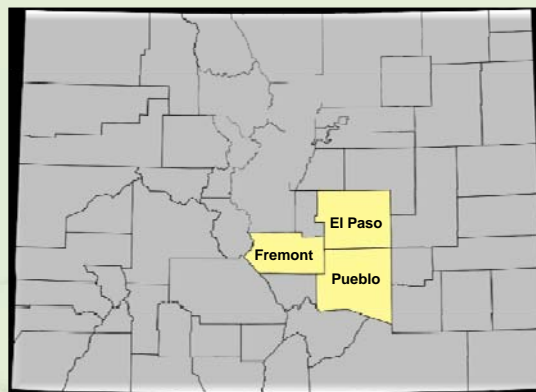
- Public comment period
 - Closed June 13
 - Details: www.sdseis.com
- Final EIS: Late 2008
- Record of Decision: Early 2009



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County Permits

- Actively working on applications
 - Pueblo County 1041
 - Fremont County Special Review Use
 - El Paso County Special Use



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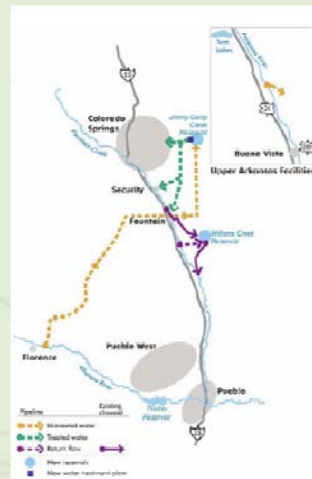
404 Permit

- Required by Clean Water Act
- Separate environmental assessment
- Public comment period



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- We need SDS: Future depends on it
- Recognize you shouldn't pay for it
- Will work collaboratively with you
- Will look for economic and other opportunities to partner with you



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