

PECOS VALLEY ARTESIAN



CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

THE PECOS RIVER:

Lessons Learned

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Discussing Water Rights, A Western Past Time



COMPACT DELIVERY CRISIS



POTENTIAL PRIORITY ADMINISTRATION

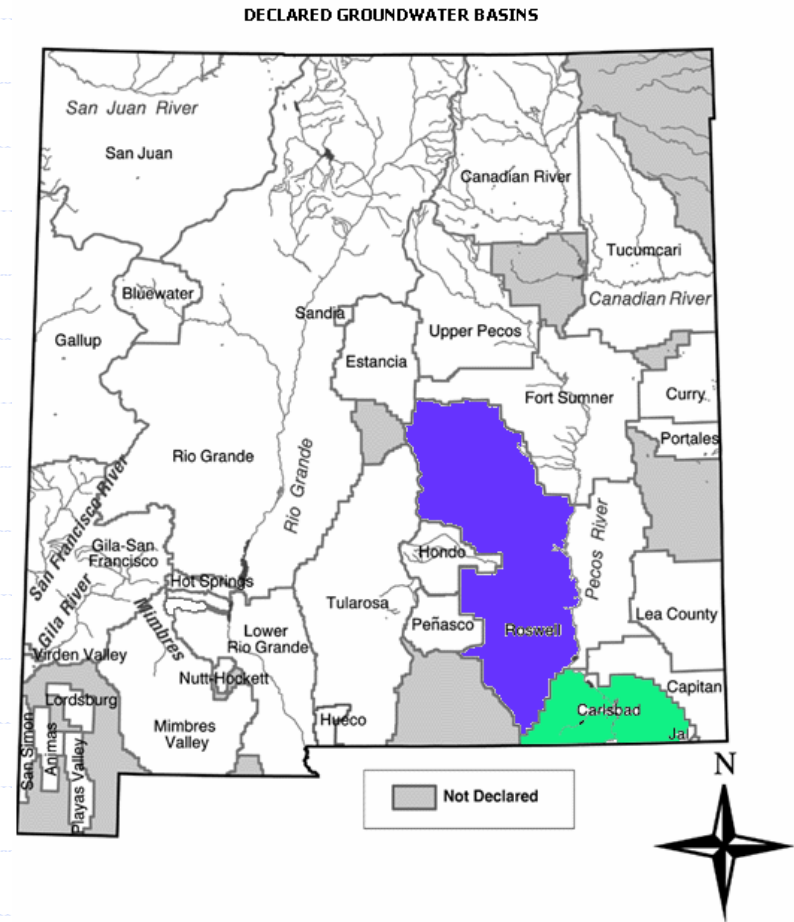
- ◆ ISC appoints ad hoc committee
 - Key water users
 - Political Representatives
 - Economic Representatives
 - State and Federal Government Representatives

PURPOSE

- ◆ Develop a plan to avoid a shortfall to Texas in 2001
- ◆ Develop a plan to achieve long term Compact compliance by New Mexico

Conditions to the Settlement

- ◆ Purchase of Water Rights
 - CID- 6,000 ac
 - PVACD- 11,000 ac
- ◆ Augmentation pumping from PVACD
 - Lake Author
 - Seven Rivers
- ◆ Limitation on Priority Call
- ◆ Withdrawal or settlement of protests



SETTLEMENT



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STATELINE CREDIT

- ◆ If New Mexico's Stateline credit exceeds 115,000 ac-ft, the ISC may offer lands or water rights for leasing or re-sale to the public.



WHY THE SETTLEMENT IS WORKING



INVOLVEMENT OF ALL STAKEHOLDERS

❖ PVACD

❖ CID

❖ FSID

❖ STATE

❖ FEDS

❖ Difficult at times
because of past
history between
entities on the
Pecos River



**STRONG LEADERSHIP
TO KEEP PROCESS
MOVING FORWARD**

GOOD SUPPORTING DATA

◆ Hydrological Data

- Quantities of supply
- Use and demand
 - ◆ RA Basin is the most studied Artesian Aquifer in the world

CATALYST TO GET RESULTS NEEDED

- ◆ Sense of impending doom
 - ❖ Interstate Compact requirements
 - ❖ Possible priority call
 - ❖ Shortages to the Stateline
 - ❖ Devastating economic impact to Region and State

SUPPORT OF LOCAL LEGISLATORS



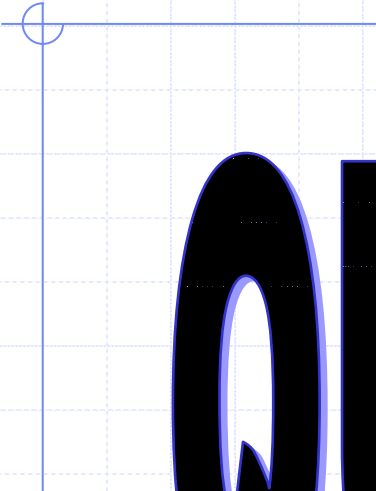
CURRENT STATUS

- ◆ All parties committed to forging ahead.
 - Concessions made by all parties.
 - Accepted as best solution by many hundreds of water users.





With out the commitment of all parties involved the Pecos River Settlement would not have moved forward, leaving the entire region in economic uncertainty.



QUESTIONS?