

REGIONAL WATER PLAN

- In 1999, the Water Assembly published the Regional Water Budget.
- Bottom line: the region had been consuming 55,000 acre feet more than is renewed annually; some studies say more.
- The water budget projected that continuing on the same course will result in problems meeting downstream delivery obligations, increased aquifer depletion, interference with endangered species protection, and impaired senior water rights.
- The 2004 Regional Water Plan was developed to close that gap.
- Climate change effects are projected to further reduce water supplies for existing and future residents.

What has been accomplished? Come find out what has worked and what more must be done

Join us as we begin the process of updating the Regional Water Plan..... now is a great time to get involved!

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Middle Rio Grande Water Assembly is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization. The Water Assembly's purpose is to assure effective implementation of the Middle Rio Grande Regional Water Plan through an open, inclusive, and participatory process so as to achieve the common interests of the people and stakeholders of the region for a sustainable water future that balances water use with renewable supply in accordance with the stated goals of the Water Plan.

The 13th Annual Middle Rio Grande Water Assembly

Water... Our Future How Far Have We Come? What's Next?



Saturday, October 24, 2009

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Registration, Continental Breakfast
& Poster Sessions
begin at 8:00 a.m.

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In 2004, the Water Assembly completed the Middle Rio Grande Regional Water Plan with lots of community input. Accepted by local governments in Sandoval, Bernalillo and Valencia Counties as well as by the New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission, the Plan contains forty-three recommendations to close the gap between supply and demand.

It's been five years since the Regional Water Plan was accepted. Has the mission of the Plan --"balance use with renewable supply"-- been achieved?

On Saturday, October 24, the Water Assembly will review the reasons for the plan, progress against the plan, and changes that have occurred since then. After considering what's been done, we'll discuss what more might be needed.

Why You Should Attend the 13th Annual Assembly:

- Learn about our water resources and additional anticipated changes
- Hear what watchdog organizations have to say
- Find out what our governments have done
- Discuss whether such action has been enough, and if not, what additional steps need to be taken
- Join your neighbors in planning for our water future

Program

- What's In The Plan?
- What Has Been Accomplished?
- Has It Been Enough?
- What's Changed Since 2004?
- What Should We Do Now?

Join us at the 13th Annual Water Assembly

Speak for your interests!

Advocacy Groups will select their delegates to the Board for the coming year. Join us!

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