



Centennial Water Collaborates with Castle Pines North

Centennial Water & Sanitation District, which serves Highlands Ranch, earlier this year, entered into a milestone agreement with the Castle Pines North Metropolitan District (CPN) that will provide significant benefits for both parties. The basic arrangement is for Centennial Water to provide CPN with capacity in its water delivery system, only when it is not needed for serving Highlands Ranch customers. This allows CPN to capture water to which it is entitled from the South Platte River. Centennial Water will be compensated with both funds through a fee and rate structure and also a portion of the water delivered through its system. CPN will be able to use water it currently owns, as well as future sources, but is unable to divert and deliver without using Centennial Water's infrastructure.

This collaborative effort demonstrates cooperation between two water providers who have worked together for years through the Douglas County Water Resource Authority (DCWRA) and the South Metro Water Supply Authority (SMWSA) to develop specific regional coordination efforts.

Centennial Water sincerely appreciates patience and tolerance in support of these collaborative efforts with local water providers to address regional water challenges in efficient and innovative ways.

Project Overview

- Centennial Water is providing only off-peak capacity in its water system to move CPN's groundwater return flows and other water they own from Chatfield Reservoir to a connection point near a Centennial Water storage tank site in southeastern Highlands Ranch.
- The water delivered to CPN will be provided exclusively from CPN's water rights. A portion of the deliveries will be conveyed to Centennial Water, adding to Centennial's water supply portfolio. This operation will not impact Centennial Water's ability to serve Highlands Ranch customers.
- Specific delivery capacity will be four million gallons per day (mgd) on a year round basis through 2012, followed by long-term deliveries of up to eight mgd seasonally from October through April. During the period from May through September, usage will be available only at times approved by Centennial Water.
- Centennial Water is being paid for this service. Centennial Water's operations and maintenance costs will be covered, as well as an administrative charge. Both charges will be reviewed and adjusted as necessary during Centennial Water's annual budget process. New facilities, such as pumps and pipelines necessary for the project will be paid for by CPN.
- The initial agreement term runs through 2059. Renewals for three consecutive 10-year periods may be made by mutual agreement.
- This agreement will result in net positive revenues that will accrue to the benefit of Highlands Ranch customers.

More Information

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