

## Workshop #1 Oct. 10, 2017

## 📕 Agenda

TOPIC: OBLIGATION TO SERVE See document(s): LOS 1.1 - Obligation to Serve.docx TOPIC : RIGHT TO SERVE See document(s): LOS 1.2 - Right to Serve.docx

## Topics

**OBLIGATION TO SERVE** 

 Services that MUST be provided Water Production Regional transmission Storage At Level of Service
Reasonable timeliness is important

Meeting demands when they are needed

At negotiated time

Planning for growth

There may be lessons for how this was managed at the WRA

Important to determine planning horizon

Regional group should be better at planning for demand

Buffer Availability regardless of location Proposed in paper ~ For the purpose of delivering drinking water Withdrawal of source waters from any surface or groundwater sources Store the source water Treatment of the source water Transmission and pumping Finished water storage At what Level of Service? Maximum Day Demand Agreed upon pressure State and Federal regulatory requirements Meeting these requirements Permits: Water allocation permit

**Operations Permit** 

Distribution

What is the connection between permits? No denial of service to members See also: <u>Reasonable timeliness is important</u> Proportional curtailments

Positive to show everyone making the same sacrifice

Adequate and reasonable cost

Regional board would set the wholesale rate for water production then each entity would set the retail rates.

Services that CAN be provided Services that WILL NOT be provided Proposed in the paper Local distribution Retail metering Retail customer services Geography Within the current and future political boundaries of its members **RIGHT TO SERVE** Required Rights Proposed in Paper Related to services defined in the obligation to serve Within the geography defined in the obligation to serve See also: Geography For all current and future drinking water demands Current and future political boundaries of members Question about pass through customers that are outside of the political boundaries - thought that this could be OK Do members have the right to buy rural water Exclusive service provider Members will not Alter flows or quality of source water that goes in to regional entity's intake Alter flow in transmission or storage system Acquire or contract for drinking water supplies From any party outside of regional entity Exceptions Engage in demand management practices to reduce demand Apply for new water use allocation permits or expand existing permits Exception ASR storage permits Construct new or expand existing drinking water treatment facilities Protect existing capacity What about reducing capacity? Exceptions Members who currently own and operate water production facilities within own distribution system

Want to make sure can reinvest in system to maintain existing capacity

West Des Moines Altoona Ankeny

Discussed

Coptional Rights

Rights Not Included

## 🛸 Parking Lot

Financing Options Paying back for purchasing capacity today Passing on various cost functions Handling purchased capacity and cost Permits Form of meeting regulatory requirement Demand management Adding new members What if a member is not in and wants to join? Timing?

