Economics of Water: Solving problems without rate or tax increases Solutions for Efficiency in a Down Economy





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Water Scarcity In The United States



Electricity & Water rates may soon increase by 50%+

In the next few years (by 2013), **36 states** expect water shortages

Cheapest water is your current source

Alternate Source Costs?

Southeast

•Water Wars •Water Stewardship Act •EPA Sanctions •Nutrients & Drugs •Consumptive Use •Water Stewardship is Necessary!

Combined Water and Sewer Rates











Height of the Drought





Do you remember Lake Lanier just a few short years ago?





Lake Norman, NC





U.S. Drought Monitor Southeast

Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4	
Current	26.21	73.79	59.43	39.29	24.34	8.11	
Last Week (02/14/2012 map)	25.86	74.14	59.78	40.41	27.91	10.41	
3 Months Ago (11/22/2011 map)	40.37	59.63	47.52	34.31	23.65	0.00	
Start of Calendar Year (12/27/2011 map)	40.38	59.62	43.05	28.62	18.71	0.00	
Start of Water Year (09/27/2011 map)	42.24	57.76	41.82	31.77	23.48	0.00	
One Year Ago (02/15/2011 map)	6.18	93.82	66.90	22.50	3.35	0.00	

Intensity:

D0 Abnormally Dry D1 Drought - Moderate D2 Drought - Severe

D3 Drought - Extreme

D4 Drought - Exceptional

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.



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Water Conservation is Key . . . GA Strategy: Capture, Control & Conserve





Water Use Cycle



WWTP Energy Usage





Energy and water are interdependent





this is called the "energy-water nexus"

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Energy

Consider both water and energy when looking for efficiencies

According to the EPA...

In many parts of the country, letting your

faucet run for **5 minutes**

... uses about as much energy as letting a 60-watt light bulb burn for 14 hours!

An average person consumes 100 gallons/day Powering favorite appliances requires 250 gallons/day!







Water and energy efficiency work together

Energy and water efficiency improves waterways and our environment while improving the bottom line

■Using less water means:

- Saving your utility plants from having to pump water
- Saving greenhouse gas emissions from your utility plants
- Reducing water being treated at your wastewater facility
- Reducing water loss
- Saving contamination from returning to our waterways
- Expanding your utility services with the same amount of resources
 - Supply more homes while managing rate & tax structures
- reducing operating costs and may save jobs



Water & Energy Improvement Measures

- AMR/AMI (Automated Meter Reading)
- Accurate Meters
- Metering All Usage
- Right size and/or type meter
- Leak Detection
- Tighter system pressure control
- Data Analysis (Business Review Services)
- Finding and correcting errors in the billing system
- WTP & WWTP Improvements
- -Conservation Programs For All

Landscape-Faucets-Toilets-Appliances-HVAC



Common Problems Faced by Utilities

Lost billable revenue from inaccurate water meters

High amounts of Non-Revenue Water (NRW) & aging infrastructure

Current meter reading programs are expensive & inefficient

Facilities, pipe & equipment are failing

- In ground assets
- Motors, pumps, drives, blowers
- Aged & undersized plants

Funding sources are scarce or nonexistent



PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Financial Indicators

NRW as % by volume of Water Supplied:	55.4%
NRW as % by cost of operating system:	19.1%
Annual cost of Apparent Losses:	\$2,886,084
Annual cost of Real Losses:	\$2,028,504

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The danger of being a meter reader

DOGS, ELECTRIC FENCES, SOMETIMES GUNS AMONG JOB'S HAZARDS



Water Infrastructure Funding Sources

Federal Funds

- > ARRA
- ≻ EPA
- Dept of Energy

State Funds

➢ GEFA: Revolving Loans & Grants

>Local Government Funds

- > Capital Budgets / CIP
- Debt Structures (General Obligation Bonds & Revenue Bonds)
- Rates & Tax Payers

> Performance Contracting & Public Private Partnerships



Performance Based Contract

Enabled by GA State Statute . . . Self-Funding Vehicle

Allows improved efficiency to pay for upgrades

Streamlines procurement

Self funding vehicle

- Budget Neutral
- Guaranteed Outcomes

Proven in GA and across the US

Minimizes risk

Reduces Non-Revenue/unaccounted Water

Increases billable usage

Reduces Operations & Maintenance (O&M) costs

Saves Energy and optimizes your water/wastewater facilities



We're making

Questions? Call 431-5200



Self Funded Solutions & Positive Cash Flow for Water Utilities



In these economic times, Performance Contracting is worth consideration

Case Study: City of Tulare, CA

Water Distribution System

- 5,347 new water meter services
- 10,189 new water meters
- Mobile AMR system
- Large water meter typing
- Large water meter set improvements

Facilities

- > HVAC equipment replacement
- Energy-efficient windows and roofs
- Water conservation fixture installation
- Energy-efficient lighting systems

Other

- Energy-efficient street, traffic, & area lighting systems retrofit
- 30 kW photovoltaic system at wastewater treatment plant



Guaranteed Benefits over Term: \$13,900,000



Water Resources

Georgia's State Water Planning Website: http://www.georgiawaterplanning.org/index.php

Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District http://www.northgeorgiawater.com/

GA Water Planning District Councils

http://www.georgiawaterplanning.org/documents/water basin map.pdf

GA Dept of Natural Resources & Dept of Environmental Protection – Water http://www.georgiaepd.org/Documents/index_water.html

GEFA – Water & Wastewater Financing: <u>http://www.gefa.org/index.aspx?page=37</u>

US EPA - Water: <u>http://water.epa.gov/drink/</u>

Georgia Association of Water Professionals (AWWA / WEF): <u>http://gawp.org/</u>

Georgia Rural Water Association: <u>http://www.grwa.org/</u>



Where can I find more information?

http://www.johnsoncontrols.com/WATER





Any Questions?





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