



**SOUTHWESTERN
WATER
CONSERVATION
DISTRICT**

75 Years: Using the Lessons Learned

Telling the Story of SWCD Leadership

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SWCD / THEN & NOW 75 YEARS LATER

THEN

NOW

Counties	7
Assessed Value	\$26 million
Mill Levy	0.02 mills
Budget	<\$2,000

Counties	9
Assessed Value	\$3.95 billion
Mill Levy	0.33 mills
Budget	\$1.5 million

SWCD / CHARTER BOARD MEMBERS

- **DAN HUNTER** **DOLORES**
- **WILLIAM WAY** **SAN JUAN**
- **ARCHIE TONER** **HINSDALE**
- **WILLIAM FINNEGAN** **SAN MIGUEL**
- **N E CARPENTER** **MONTEZUMA**
- **D W SEXTON** **LA PLATA**
- **HARRY MACHT** **ARCHULETA**

SWCD MOVERS & SHAKERS

- **SWCD BOARD MEMBERS:**

- **DAN HUNTER**

ARCHIE TONER

- **ERNIE SCHUTZ**

IRA KELLY

- **DAILY HOTT**

LEW WILLIAMS

- **FRED KROEGER**

CHARLES PORTER

- **BILL RALEY**

PAUL FURY

SWCD

MOVERS & SHAKERS #2

- **ATTORNEYS:**

- **JUDGE O'ROURKE**

- **WILLIAM MAY**

- **FRANK McELVIE**

- **JUDGE NOLAN**

- **JUDGE EAKES**

- **SAM MAYNES**

- **BARRY SPEAR**



SWCD

MOVERS & SHAKERS #3

- **GOVERNORS:**

- **VIVIAN**

JOHNSON

- **THORNTON**

LOVE

- **McNICHOLS**

LAMM



SWCD MOVERS & SHAKERS #4

- **CWCB EXEC DIRECTORS:**

- **JUDGE STONE**

FELIX SPARKS

- **BILL McDONALD**

CHUCK LILE

SWCD MOVERS & SHAKERS #5

- **CONGRESSMEN:**
- **REP. ASPINALL**
- **REP. EVANS**
- **REP. KOGOVSEK**

SWCD MOVERS & SHAKERS #6

- **BOR PERSONNEL:**

- **HEDDERMANN**

CRABTREE

- **CRANDALL**

COOK

- **BROWN**

GOLD

- **SCHUMAKER**



SWCD MOVERS & SHAKERS #7

- **SWCD STAFF & CONSULTANTS:**
- **ARCHIE TONER = SECRETARY**
- **BESS TONER = MINUTE COMPOSER**
- **NANCY PROBST = OFFICE ASSISTANT**
- **NANCY ANDREWS = OFFICE ASSISTANT**

SWCD MOVERS & SHAKERS #8

- **SWCD STAFF & CONSULTANTS: cont**
- **BOB TYNER = CEO**
- **JOHN BROWN = CEO**
- **BRUCE WHITEHEAD = CEO**

SWCD MOVERS & SHAKERS #9

- **SWCD STAFF & CONSULTANTS: cont**
- **CLIFFORD JEX = ENGINEER**
- **STEVE HARRIS = ENGINEER**
- **CHRISTINE ARBOGAST = LOBBYIST**
- **LARRY HJERMSTAD = WEATHER MOD**
- **OFFICE MANAGERS: ED SEARLE, MARY FENWICK,
LYNN HERKENHOFF, JANE MAXSON & LAURA SPANN**

PROMINENT LEGAL ISSUES

- **UNITES STATES v AKIN (Indian water rights)**
- **RAINBOW BRIDGE (Filling of Lake Powell)**
- **SCHUTZ v STAMM (Operation of the San Juan-Chama Project)**
- **SWCD v MONTEZUMA VALLEY IRR CO (A due diligence case - the basis for the Dolores Project)**

PROJECTS MENTIONED BUT NEVER BUILT

- **EKLOR DITCH EXTENSION = Archuleta Co**
- **BLANCO-COYOTE PARK = Archuleta Co**
- **LITTLE NAVAJO DIVERSION = Archuleta Co**
- **ECHO DIVERSION = Archuleta Co**
- **FOUR MILE DIVERSION = Archuleta Co**
- **PIEDRA MIDDLE FORK = Archuleta Co**
- **OLD SIMPSON SITE = La Plata Co**

PROJECTS MENTIONED BUT NEVER BUILT #2

- **DULCE-NAVAJO PROJECT = Archuleta Co**
- **O'NEAL PROJECT = Archuleta Co**
- **SPECIE DAM = San Miguel Co**
- **WEST PARADOX = San Miguel Co**
- **BESS GIRL = ???**
- **DURANGO RESERVOIR @ Weasel Skin Bridge = La Plata Co**
- **TWIN CROSSING @ Bondad = La Plata Co**

PROJECTS MENTIONED BUT NEVER BUILT #3

- **RED MESA RESERVOIR ENLARGEMENT = La Plata Co**
- **STATELINE RESERVOIR = La Plata Co**
- **UPPER SAN JUAN / 5 Projects / Mill Creek, Devil Creek, Piedra River, Turkey Creek & Lower Box Canyon**
- **SALTADO RESERVOIR = San Miguel Co**
- **PIEDRA FALLS / STOLLSTIEMER CREEK = Archuleta Co**

PROJECTS MENTIONED BUT NEVER BUILT #4

- **SUNDANCE RESERVOIR = ???**
- **HOWARDSVILLE RESERVOIR = An ALP Component**
- **BIG STICK RESERVOIR = An ALP Component**
- **SOUTHERN UTE RESERVOIR = An ALP Component**
- **BALDY RESERVOIR = An ALP Component**



SWCD's GRANT PROGRAM

Aid to Efficient Water Development, Management and Conservation

- **Data is based on the past 30 years (1986-2015)**
- **The list contains more than 550 board actions**
- **Grants were made on behalf of 122 separate projects**
- **Grants total \$8.9 million**

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