

SWSI  
CONSERVATION LEVELS ANALYSIS

SEPTEMBER 24, 2010

# Presentation Overview



- ❑ Project Background
- ❑ Review of Plans on File with CWCB
- ❑ New Framework
- ❑ Ramifications

# Project Background

September 2009 CWCB Board Meeting

Review of SWSI Assumptions and Analyses

Support to SWSI Updates

SWSI “Conservation Levels” Assessment

Establish New Framework

Characterize Passive Savings

# Definitions

## Passive Savings

- Customer Driven
  - ▣ Retrofits
  - ▣ Replacements
  - ▣ Behavioral Changes
  - ▣ Changes to
    - Market
    - Technology

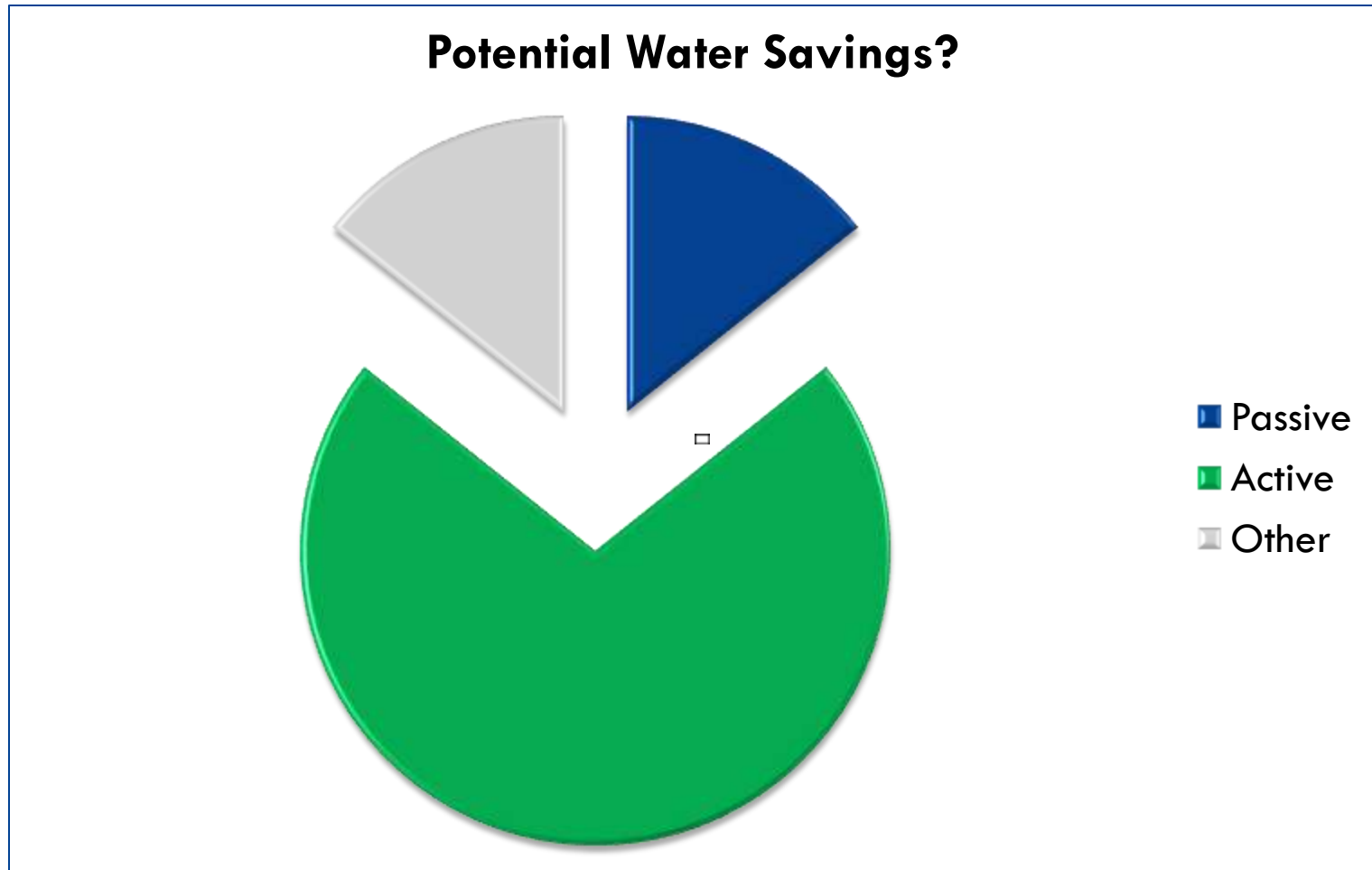
## Active Savings

- Utilities Driven
  - ▣ Metering/Billing
  - ▣ Incentives
  - ▣ Technical Support
  - ▣ Education
  - ▣ Ordinances
  - ▣ Data Collection

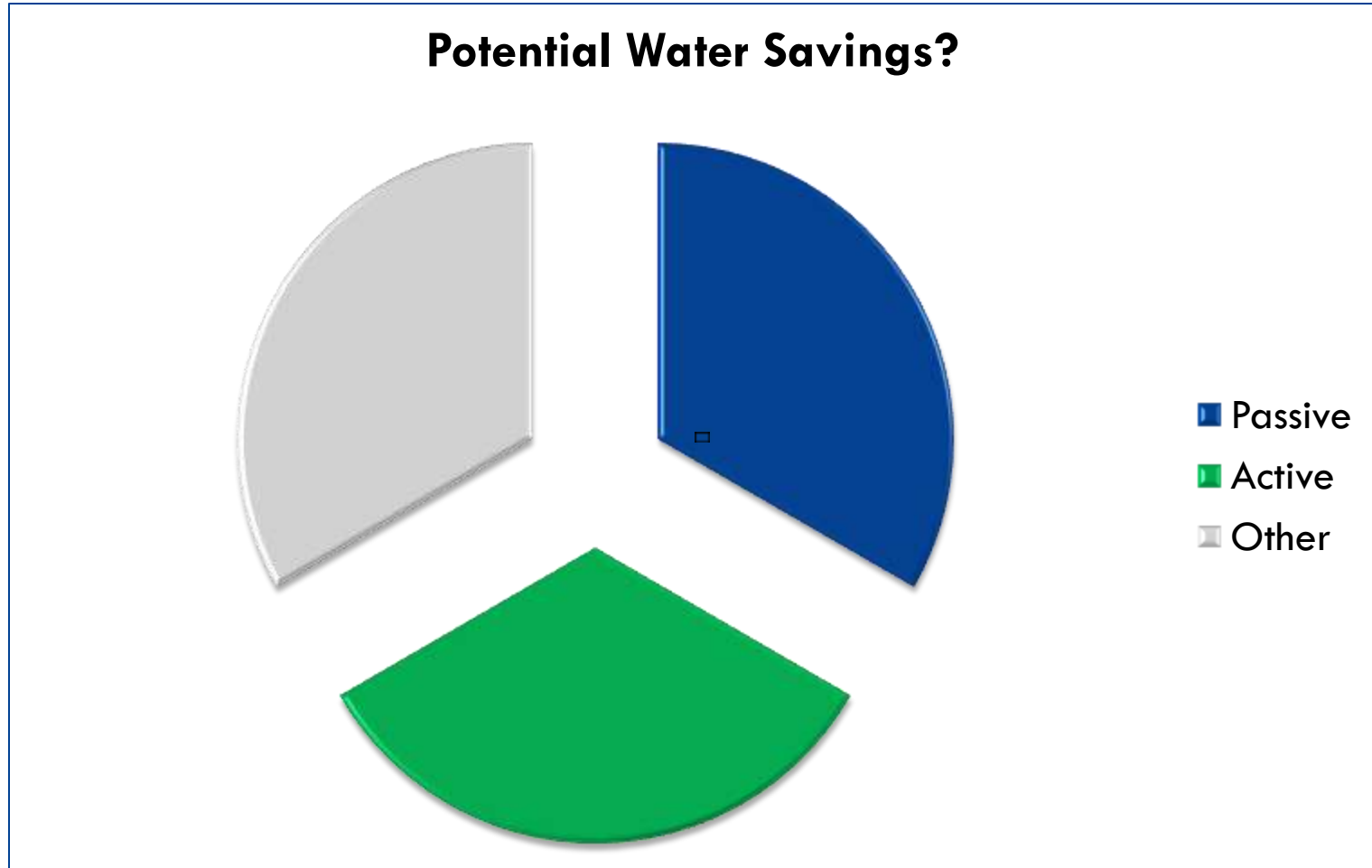
## Other

- Density Changes
- Statewide Regulation

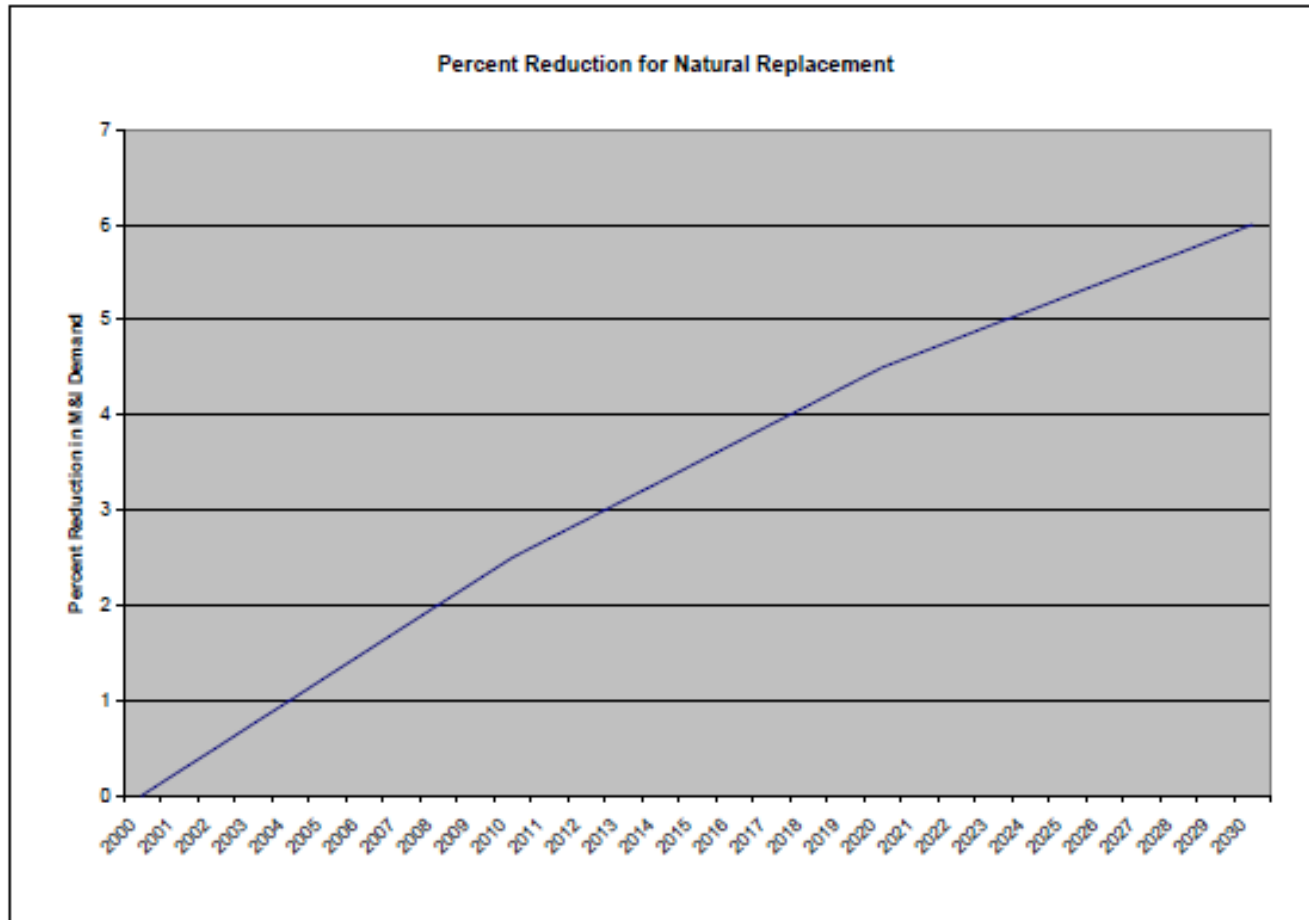
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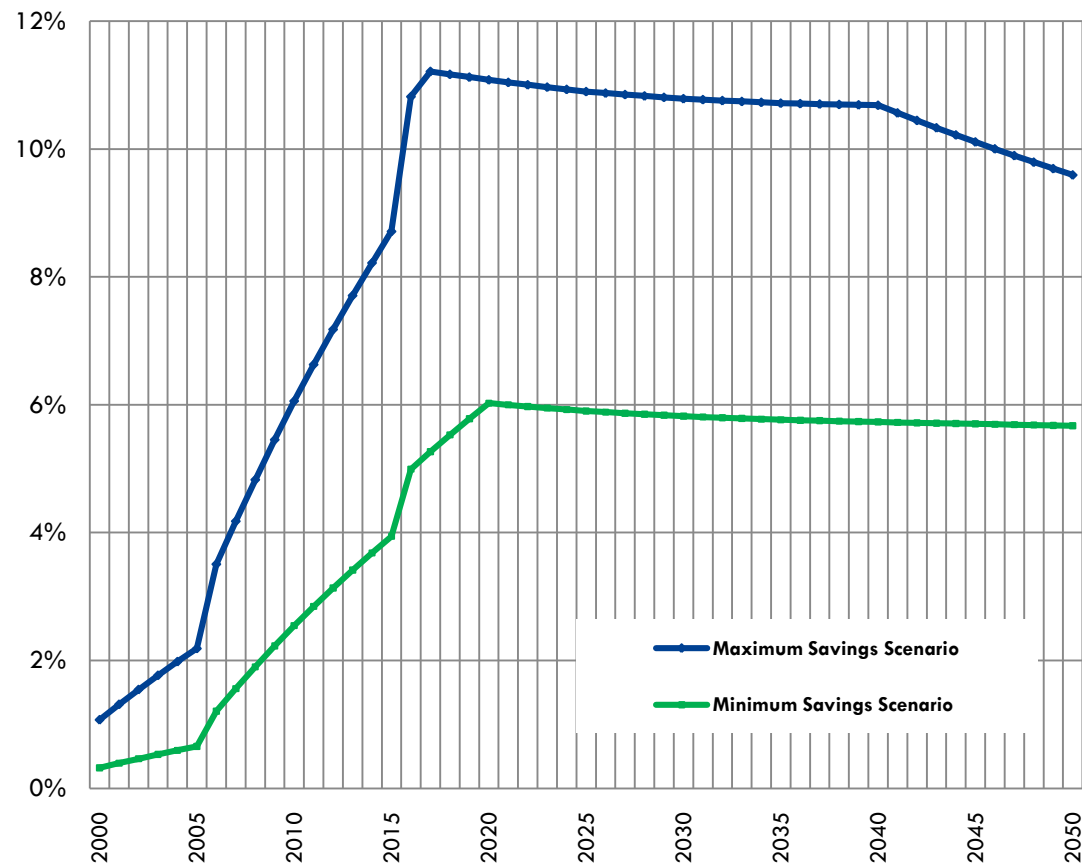
# SWSI | % Reduction Curve 2000 - 2030



**FIGURE 4**  
**PERCENT REDUCTION FROM PASSIVE CONSERVATION**

# Passive Savings % Reduction Curve 2000 - 2050

Figure 7 - Percent Statewide Demand Reduction From Passive Savings



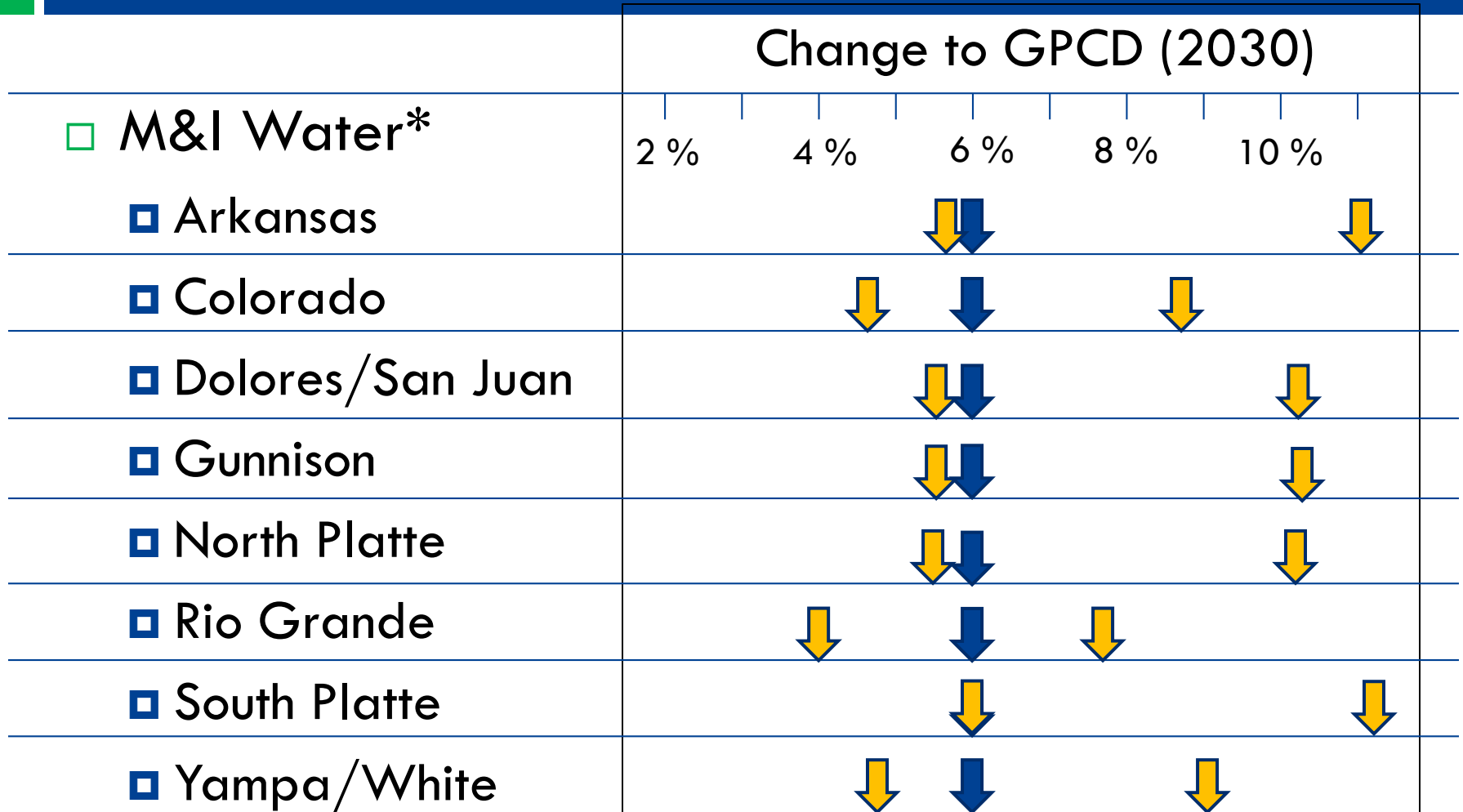


# Comparison of SWSI I to Passive Savings Analysis

	Change to GPCD (2030)				
	2 %	4 %	6 %	8 %	10 %
□ M&I Water*					
▣ Arkansas			↓		
▣ Colorado			↓		
▣ Dolores/San Juan			↓		
▣ Gunnison			↓		
▣ North Platte			↓		
▣ Rio Grande			↓		
▣ South Platte			↓		
▣ Yampa/White			↓		

\* As percent of M&I demand without inclusion of self-supplied water supplies

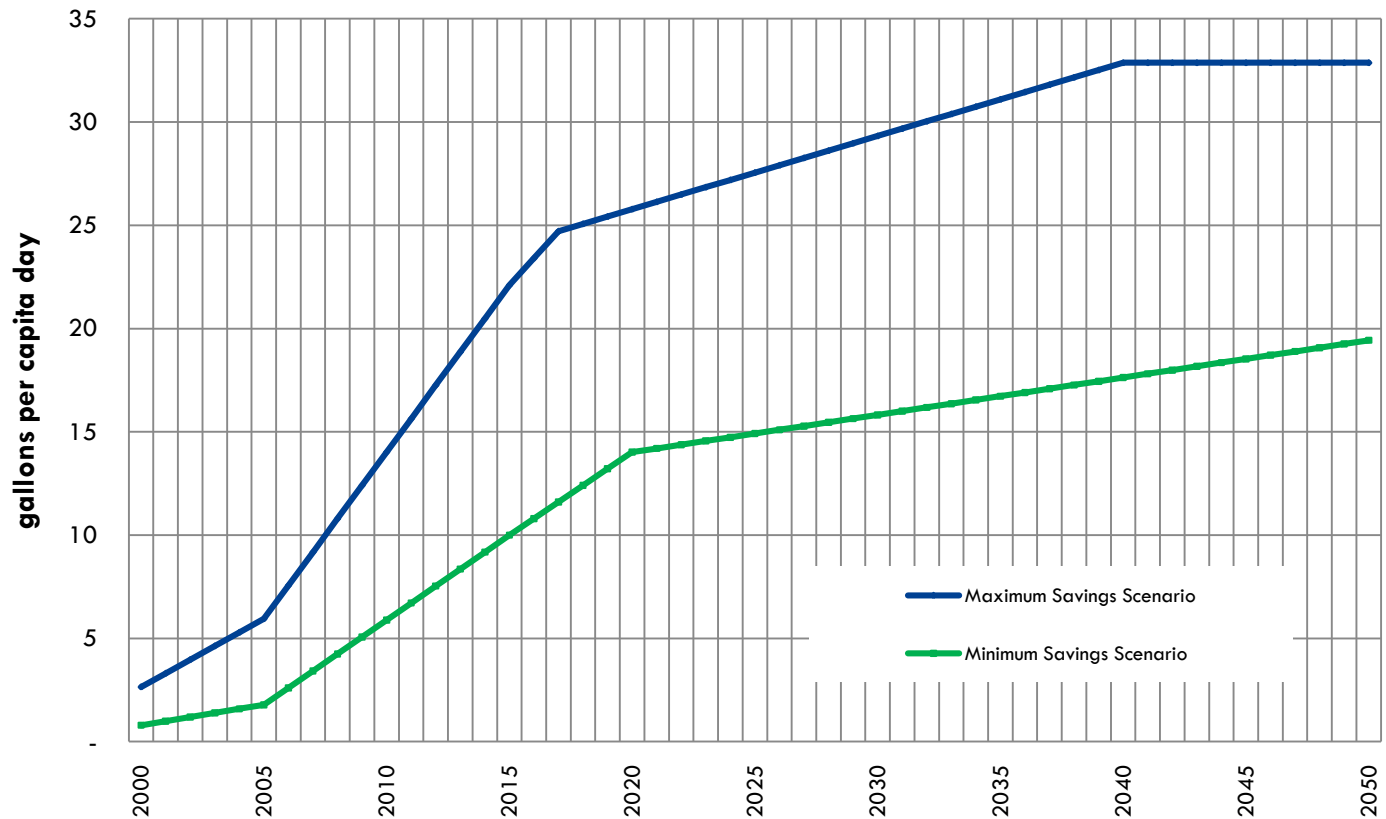
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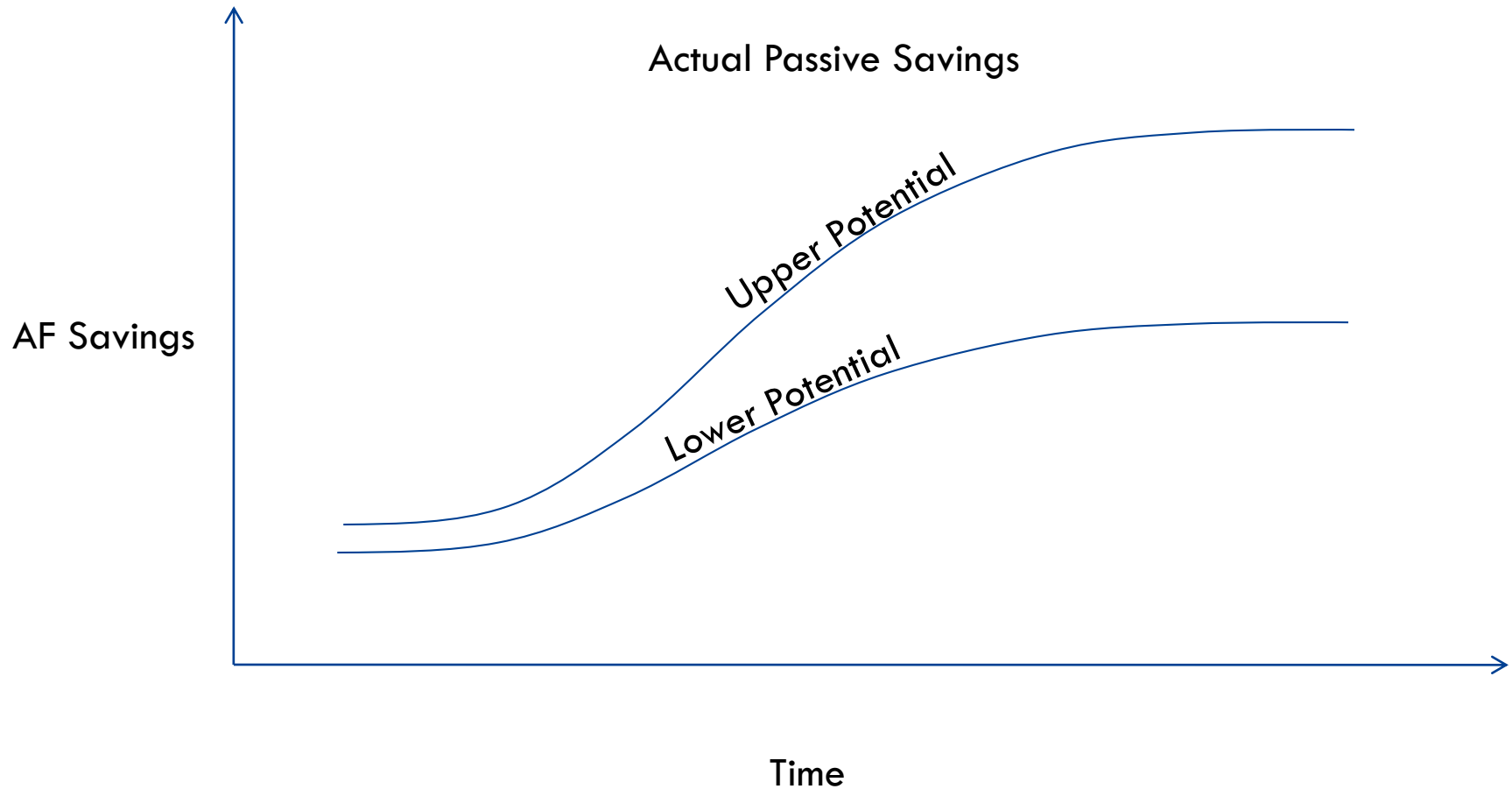
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# GPCD Reduction versus Time

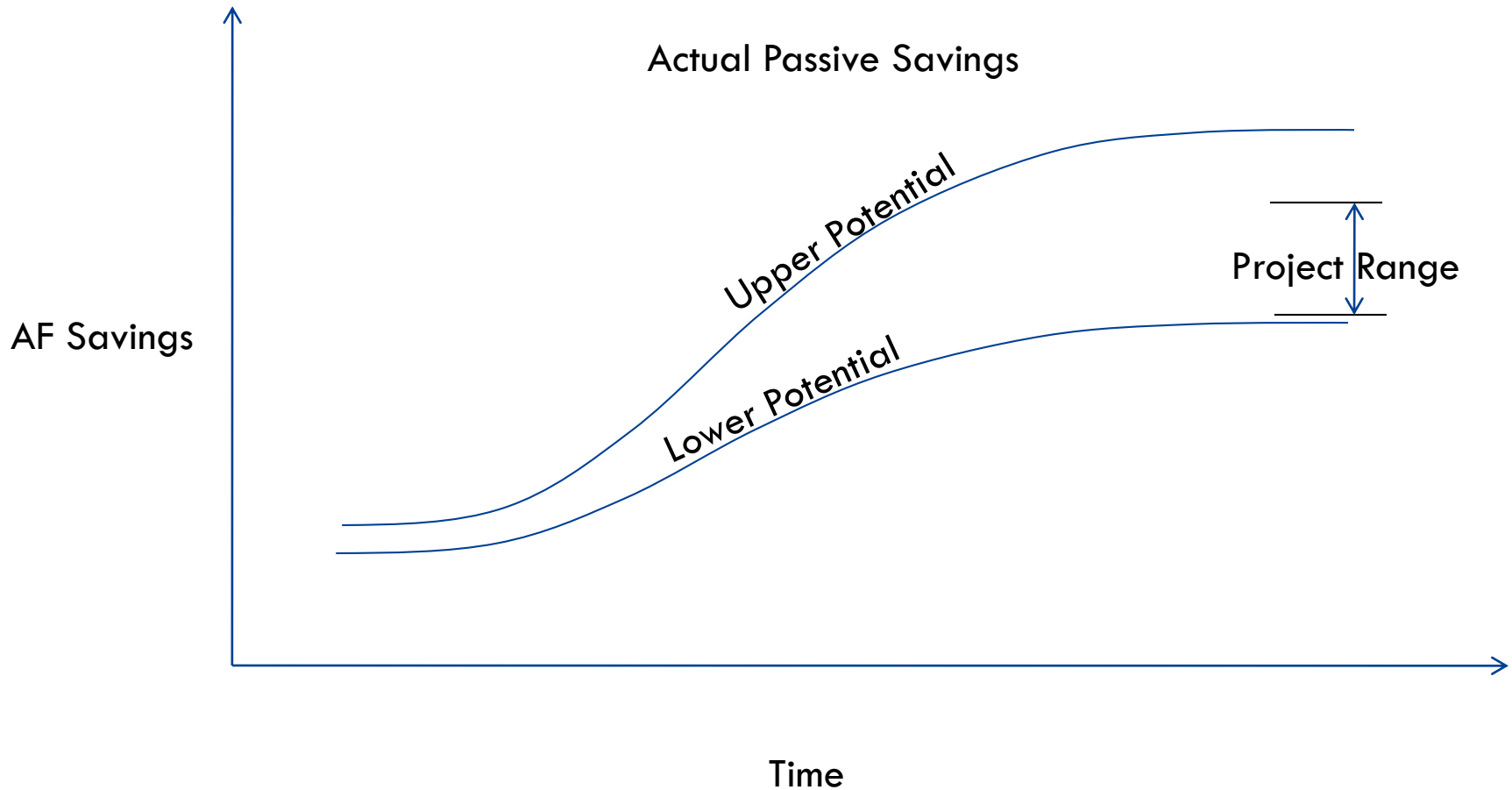
Figure 8 - Reduction of GPCD Due to Passive Savings



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# Summary of AF Passive Savings

Acre Feet Savings for Period 2008 to 2050		
	Minimum	Maximum
Arkansas	19,000	28,400
Colorado	6,600	10,000
Dolores/San Juan	2,200	3,300
Gunnison	2,250	3,400
North Platte	30	40
Rio Grande	950	1,400
South Platte	76,000	106,000
Yampa/White	950	1,450
<b>Statewide<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>102,500</b>	<b>154,000</b>

<sup>1</sup> Statewide totals have been rounded



# Water Conservation Plans

# Water Conservation Plan Review

- 30 Plans (January 2010)
- Evaluated Impact of the Drought on Per Capita Water Use
- Cataloged:
  - Selected Measures and Programs
  - Budgets
  - Predicted Demand Reductions
- Interpreted Positives and Negatives

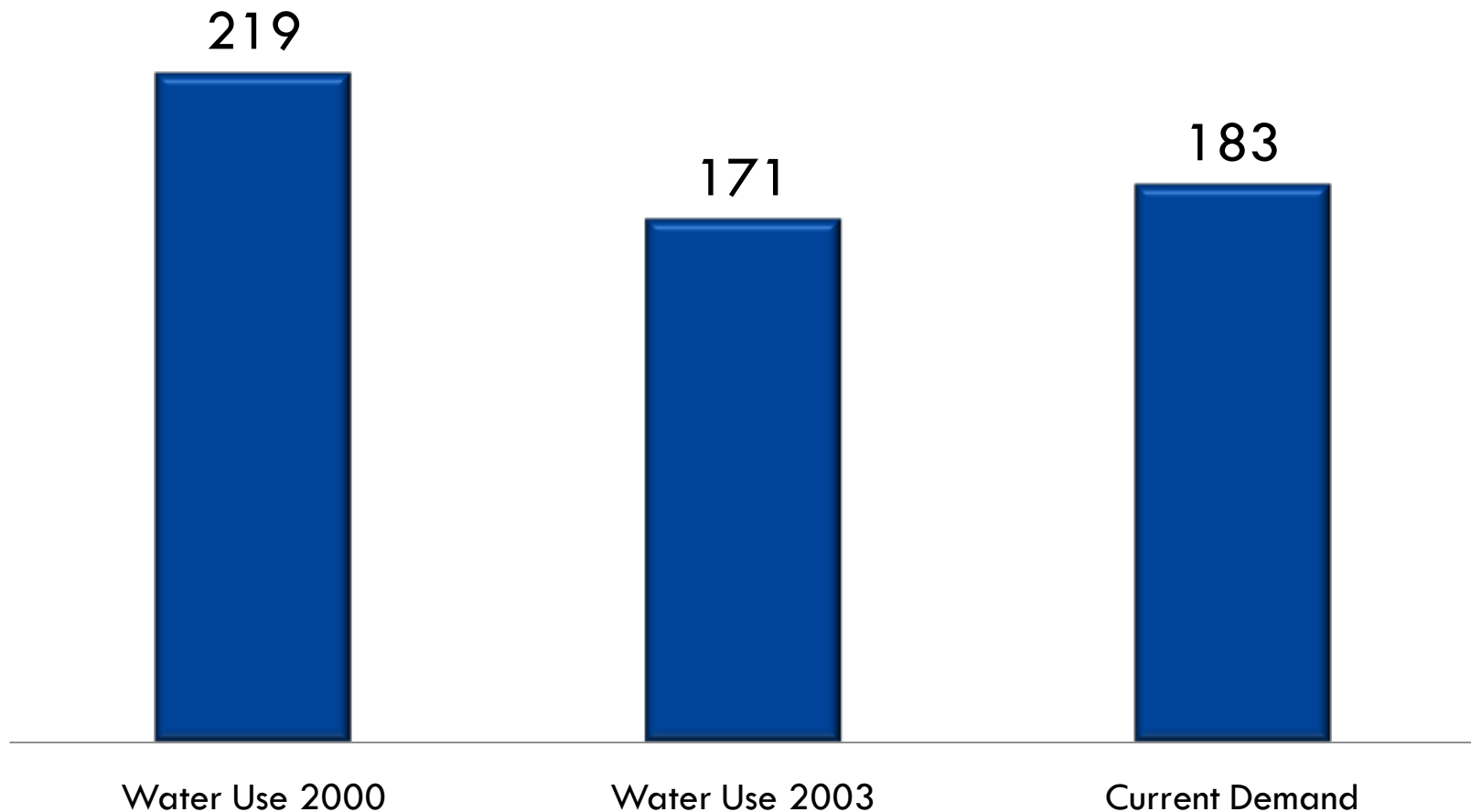


**Table 1 – List of Water Conservation Plans on File with the CWCB**

Alamosa, City of	Fort Collins-Loveland Water District
Arapahoe County WWA	Fort Lupton, City of
Aurora, City of	Fort Morgan, City of
Boulder, City of	Fountain, City of
Brighton, City of	Greeley, City of
Castle Pines North	Left Hand Water District
Castle Rock, Town of	Longmont, City of
Centennial Water and Sanitation	Northglenn, City of
Cherokee Metro District	North Table Mountain
Colorado Springs Utilities	North Weld County
Denver Water	Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation
East Larimer County	Parker Water and Sanitation
Erie, Town of	Rifle, City of
Evans, City of	Salida, City of
Firestone	Windsor, Town of

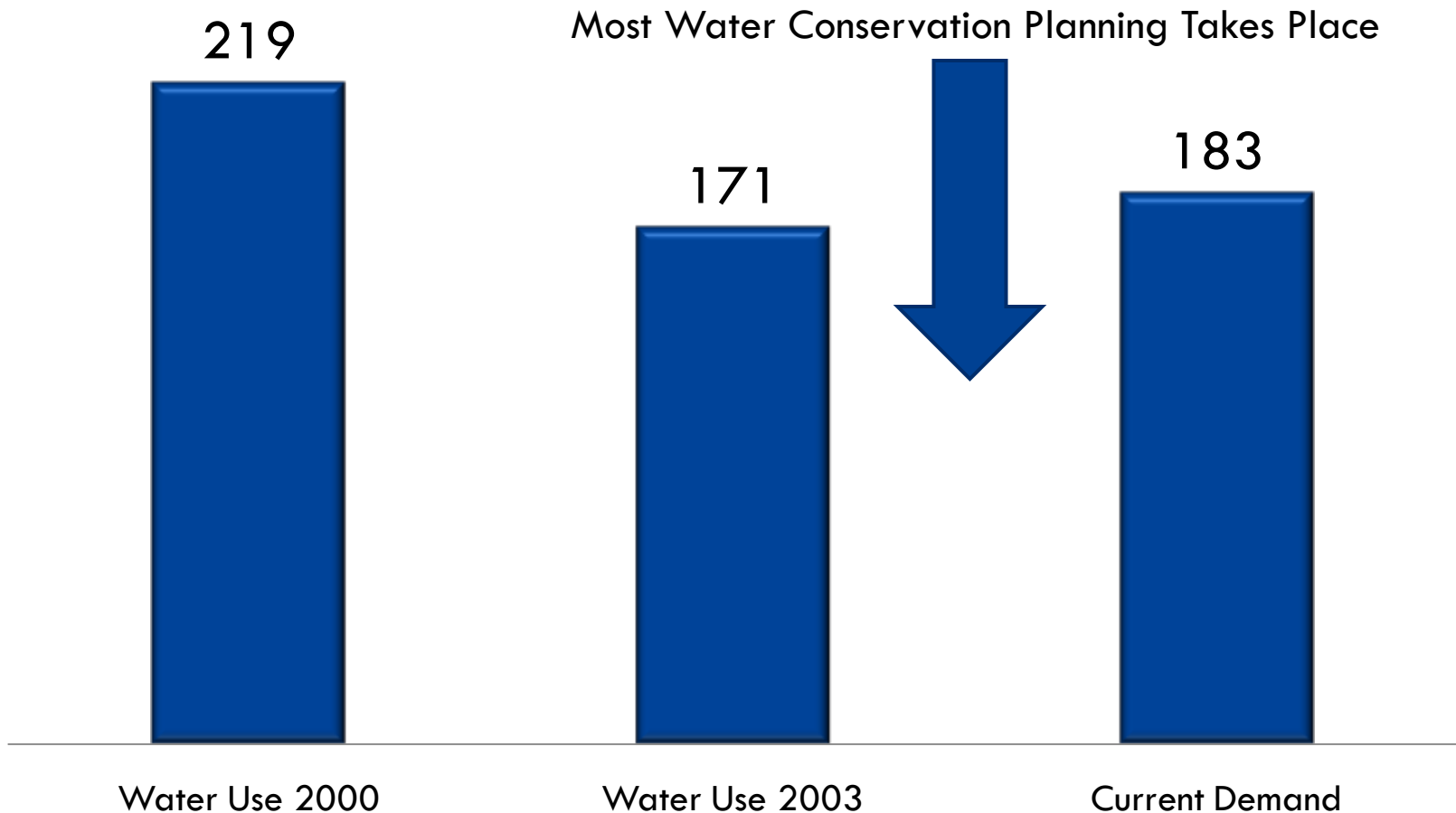
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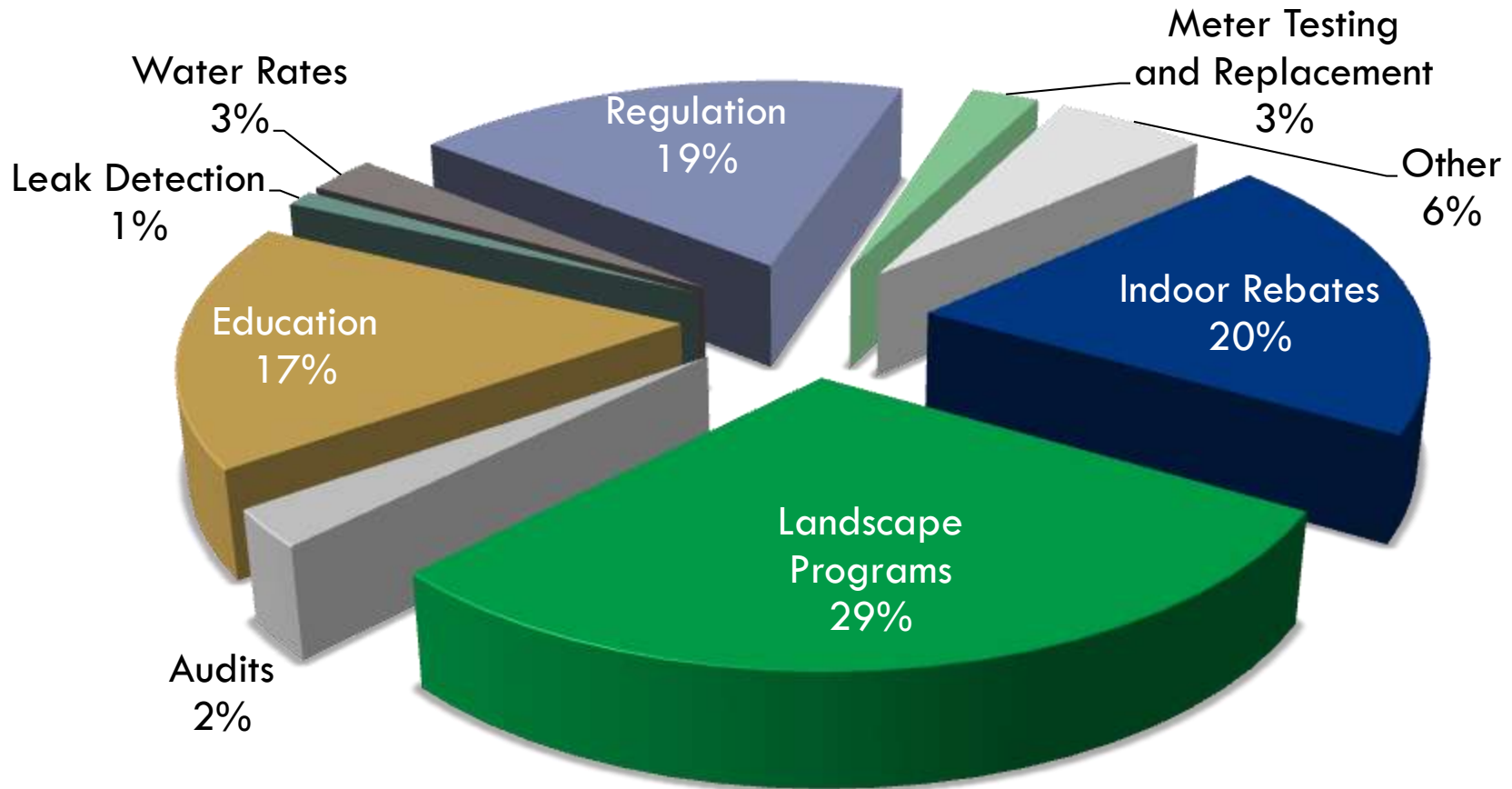


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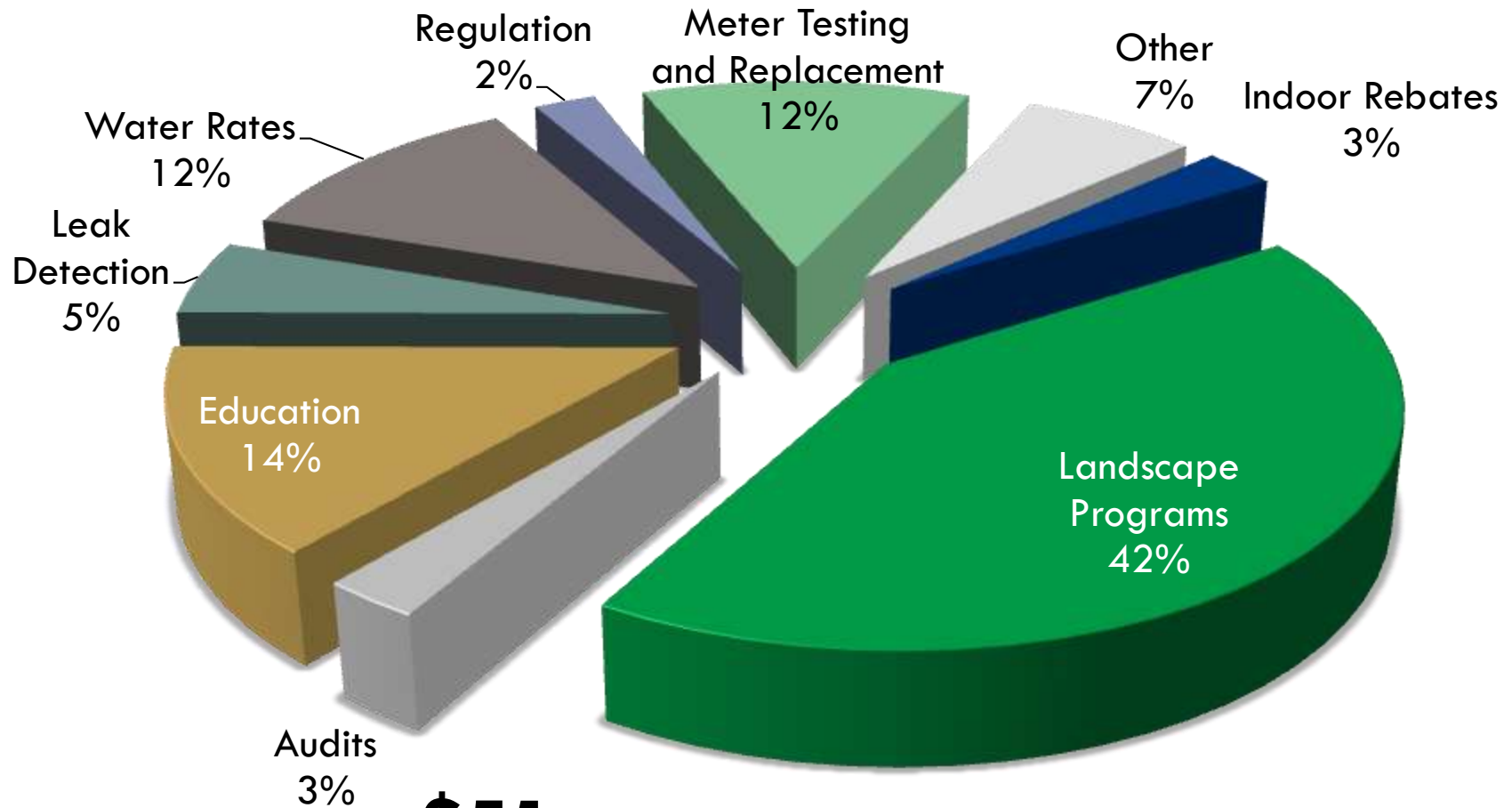


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# Water Demand Reductions

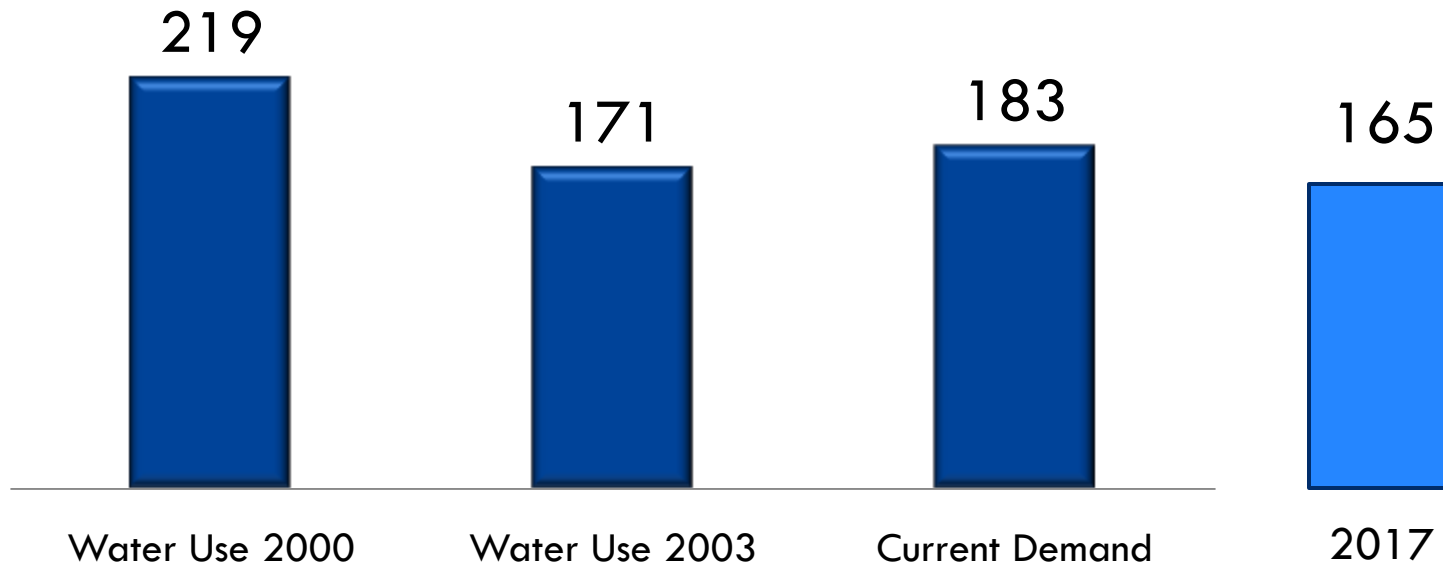
- SWSI I
  - 12% Reduction Statewide by 2030 (2.3 to 13.6% depending on geography) for Combined Passive and Active
  - Passive Savings 51,000 AF by 2030
  - Active Savings 51,000 AF by 2030

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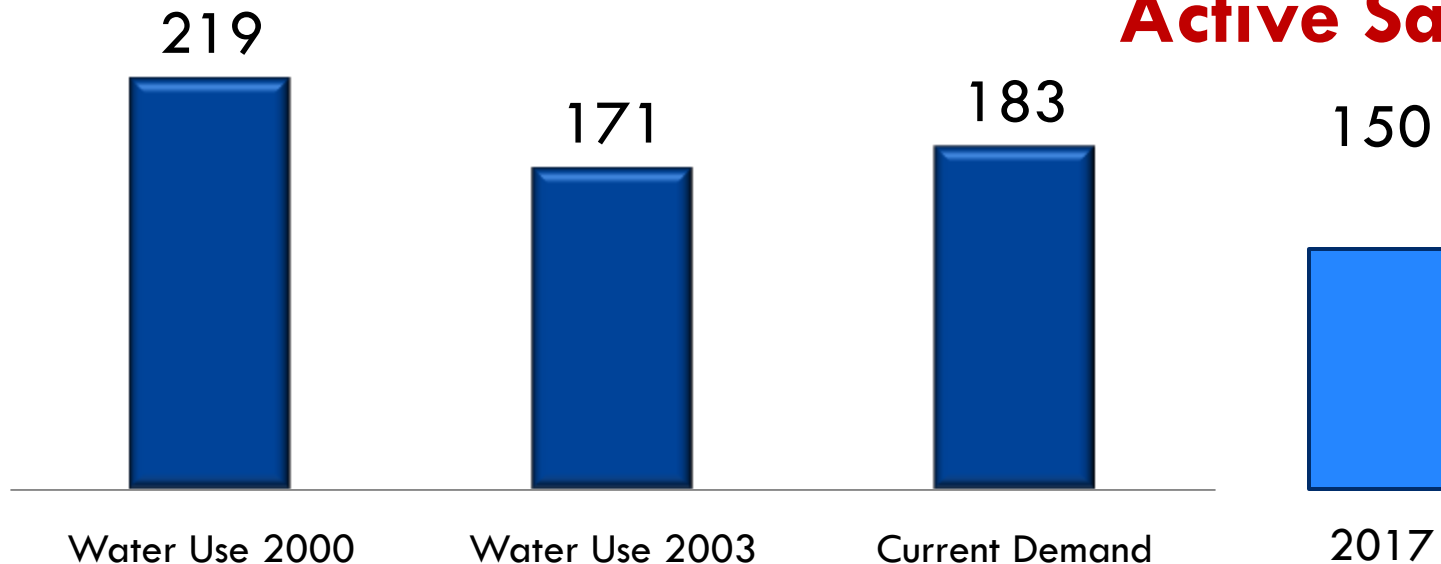
- Monitoring and Verification
  - ▣ Passive vs. Active
  - ▣ Permanency of Savings
  - ▣ Customer Behaviors
- Desire for Water Sales



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**With Passive and  
Active Savings**





# New Framework

## Goals

Better Focus On Utility Planning

Improve Data Collection (Understanding and Verification)

Improve Cost/Benefit Analyses

Identify What Can and Can Not Be Implemented

# Foundational Components - Rates

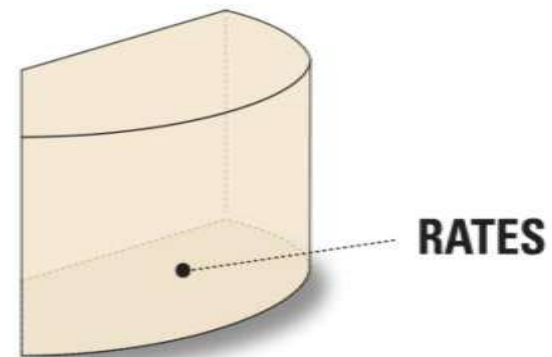
Inclining Block  
Rates

Submetering

Water  
Budgets

Monthly Meter  
Reading and  
Billing

Online Water  
Use  
Information



# Foundational Components - Leaks

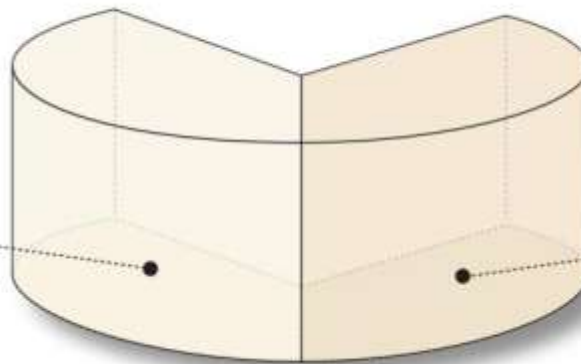
System Wide  
Audits

Metering  
Testing and  
Replacement

Zonal  
Metering

AMR

**LEAK  
DETECTION**



**RATES**

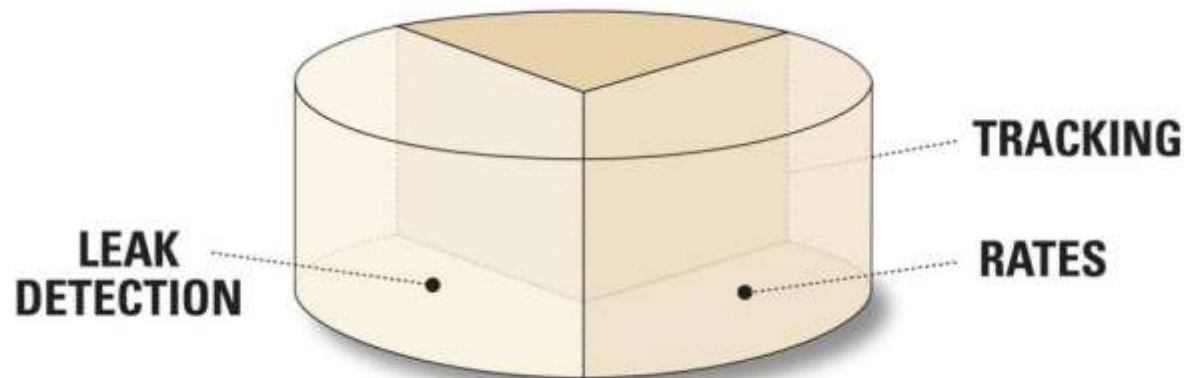
# Foundational Components - Track

Customer  
Categories

High Water  
Users

Total and  
Seasonal  
Demand

Differentiate  
BY NAICS  
Code



# Tiered Programs for Utilities/Districts

Utility/District  
/Municipal  
Demand  
Reductions

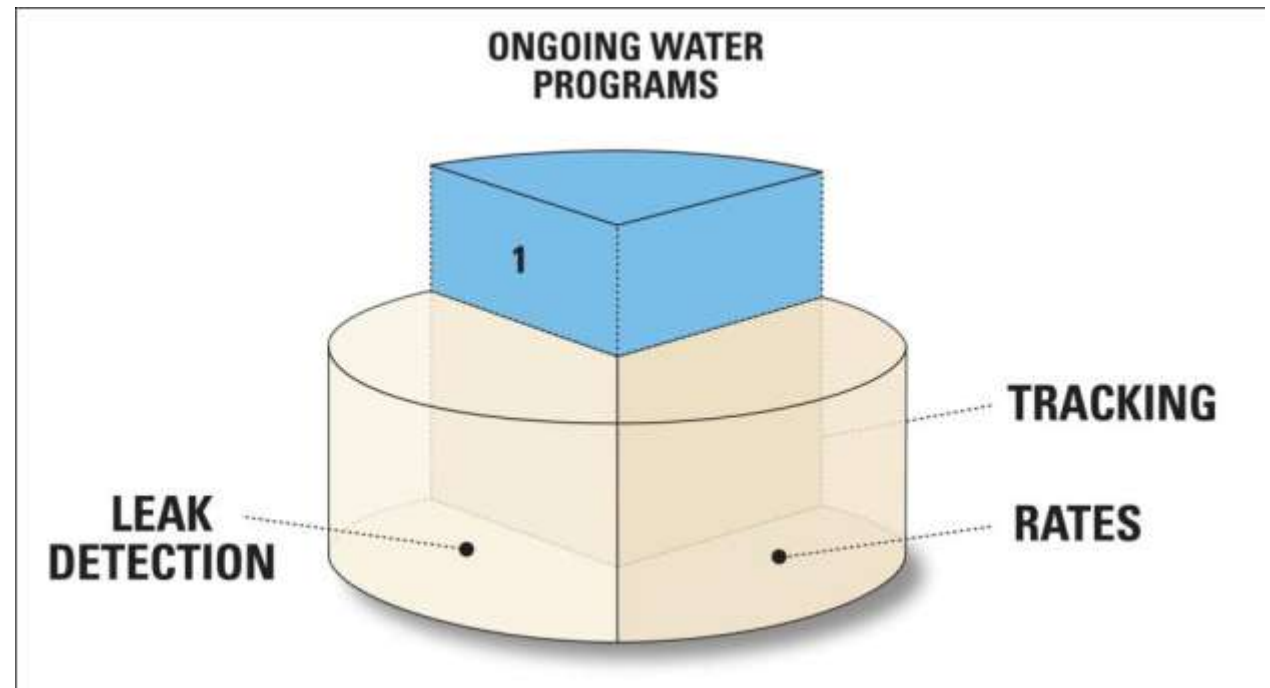
Parks

Green Spaces

Admin  
Buildings

Operations

Rec Centers



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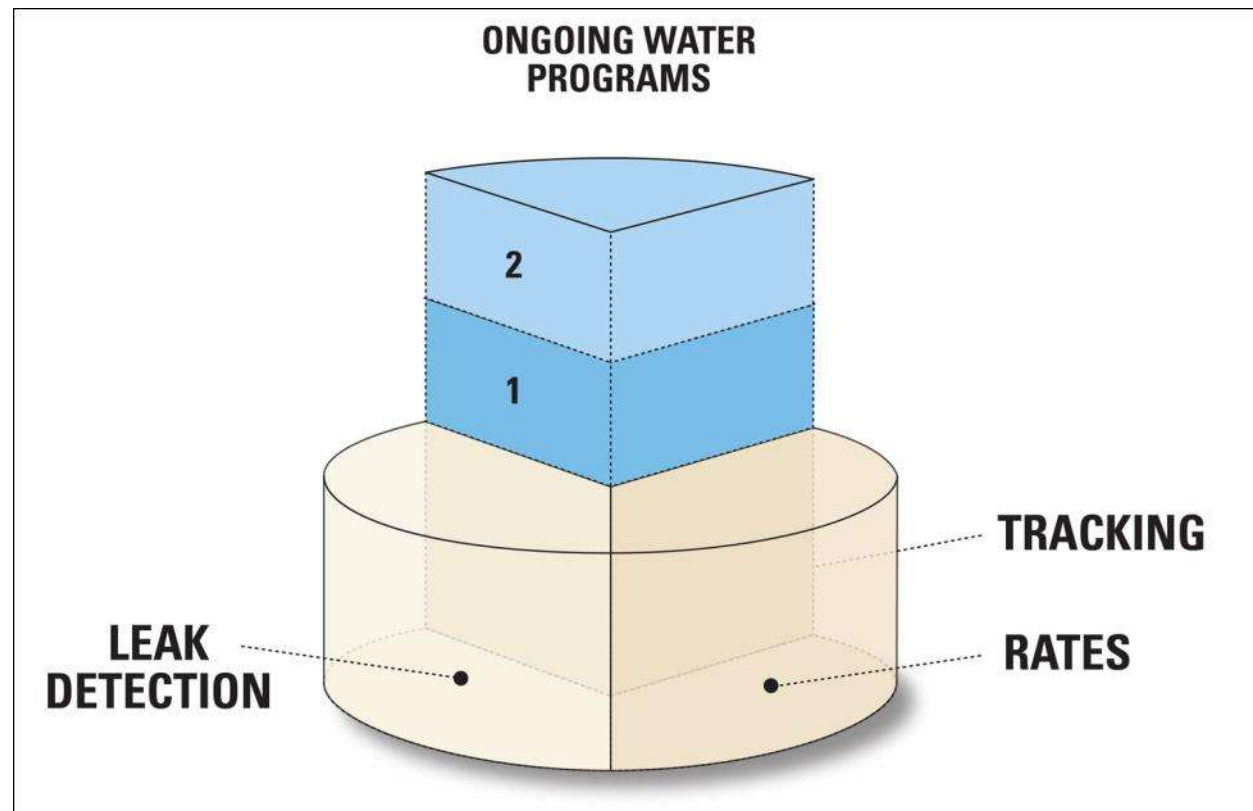
Targeted  
Customers and  
Classes

Audits

Fixture  
Replacements

Irrigation  
Improvements

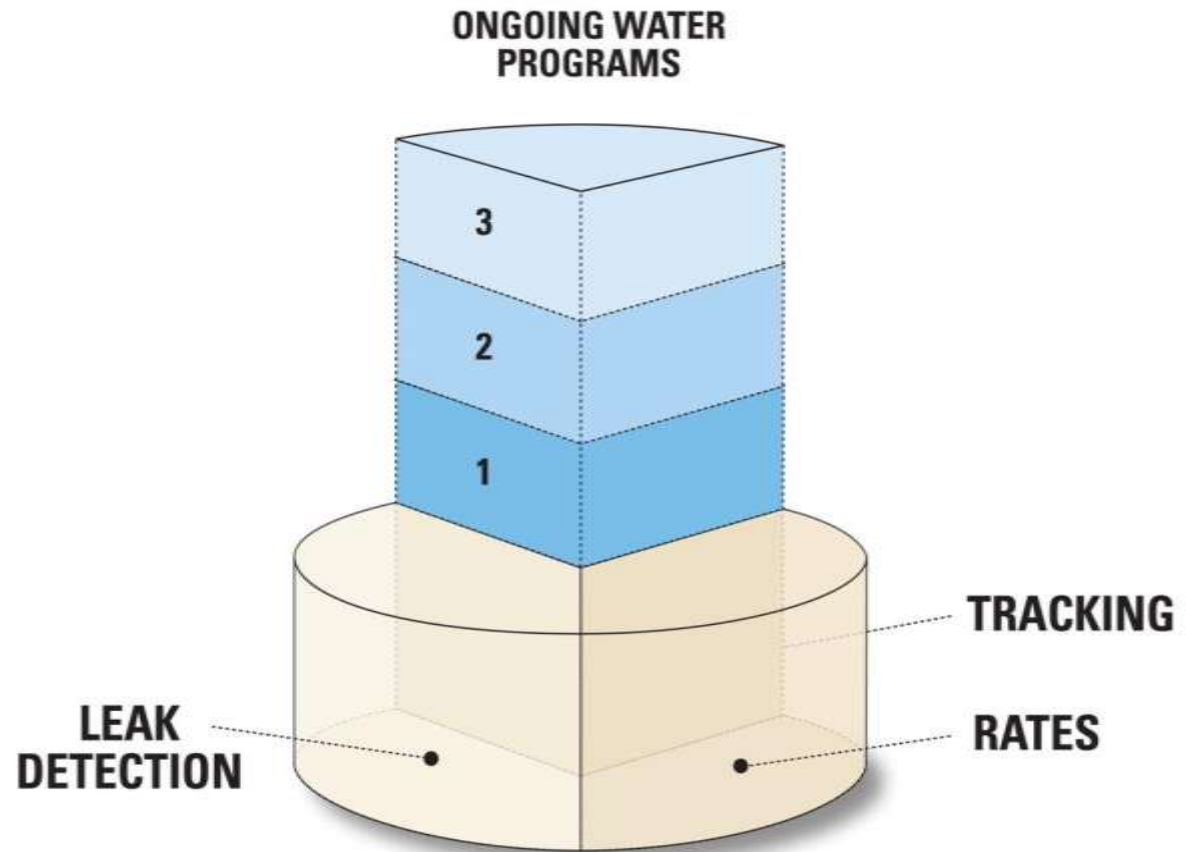
Technical  
Assistance





# Tiered Programs for Utilities/Districts

Targeted  
Incentives and  
Rebates



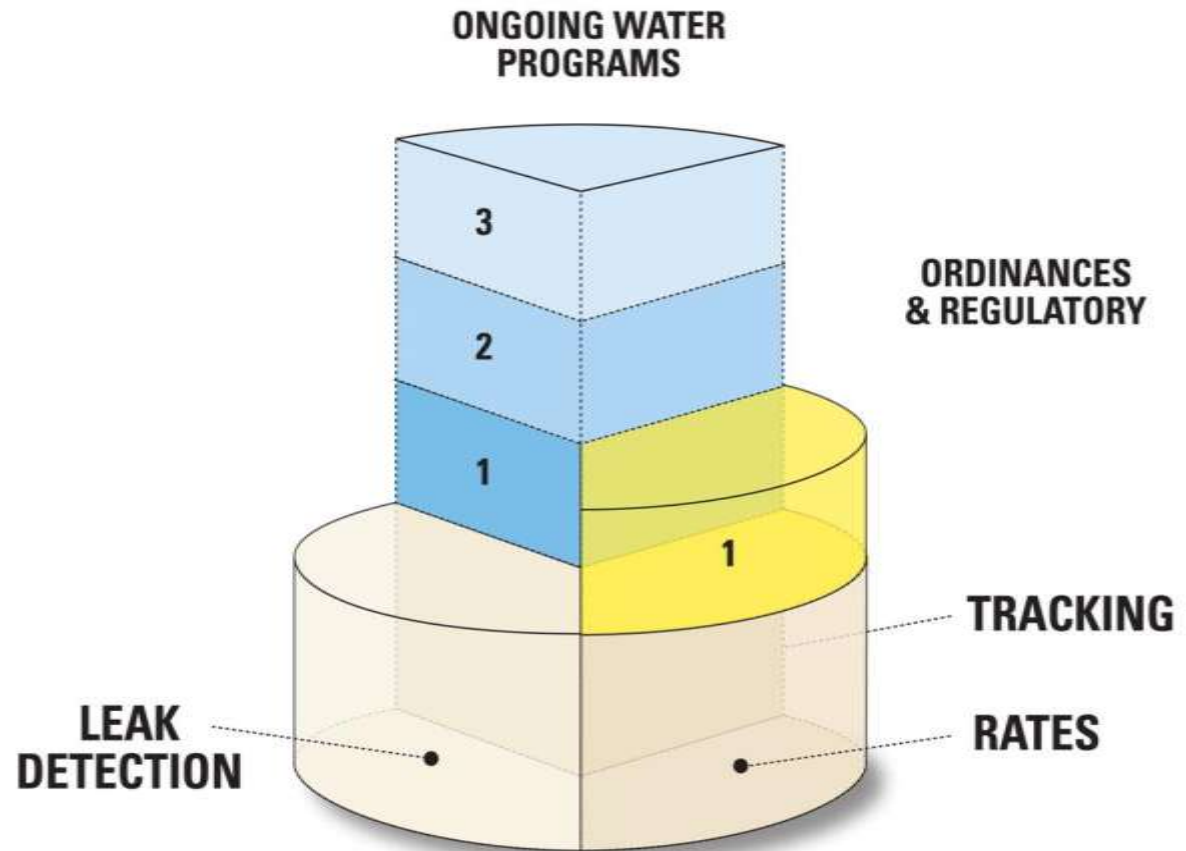
# Tiered Programs for Utilities/Districts

Water Waste  
Ordinance

Timing

Wet  
Pavement

Cooling  
Water Tower  
Requirements/  
Restrictions



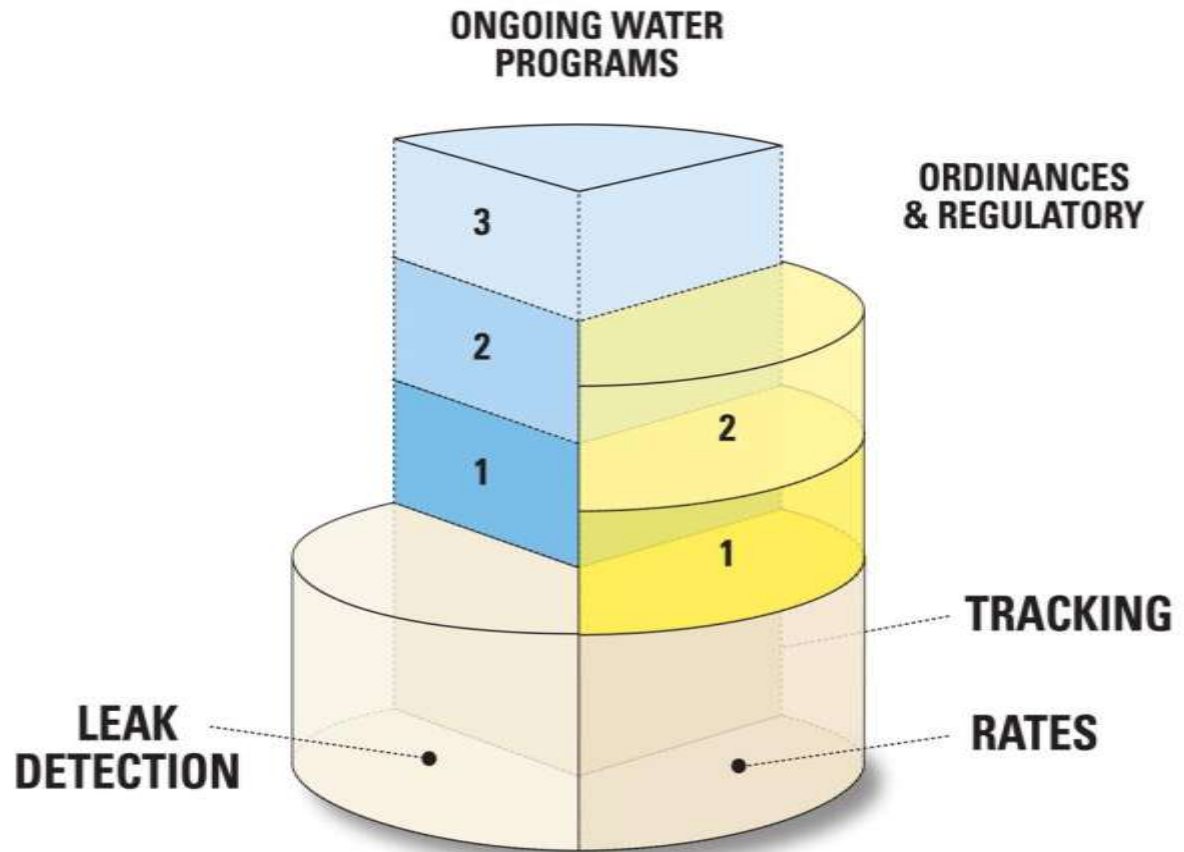
# Tiered Programs for Utilities/Districts

New  
Construction  
Standards  
(100%  
penetration)

Landscape  
and Irrigation

Indoor  
Fixtures and  
Appliances

Water Sense  
Homes



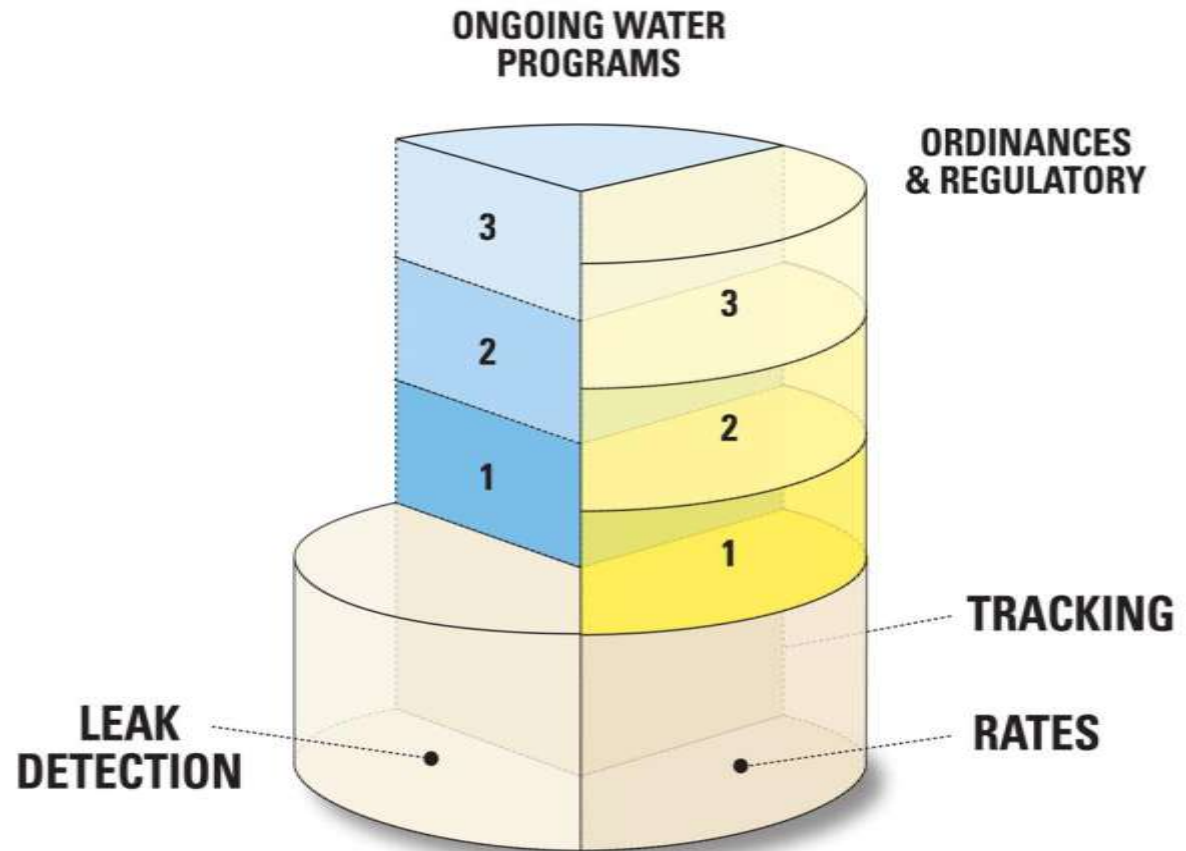
# Tiered Programs for Utilities/Districts

Existing  
Construction  
Retrofits  
(100%  
penetration)

Point of Sales

Reconnect and  
Retrofit

Certifications  
and Licensing



# Tiered Programs for Utilities/Districts

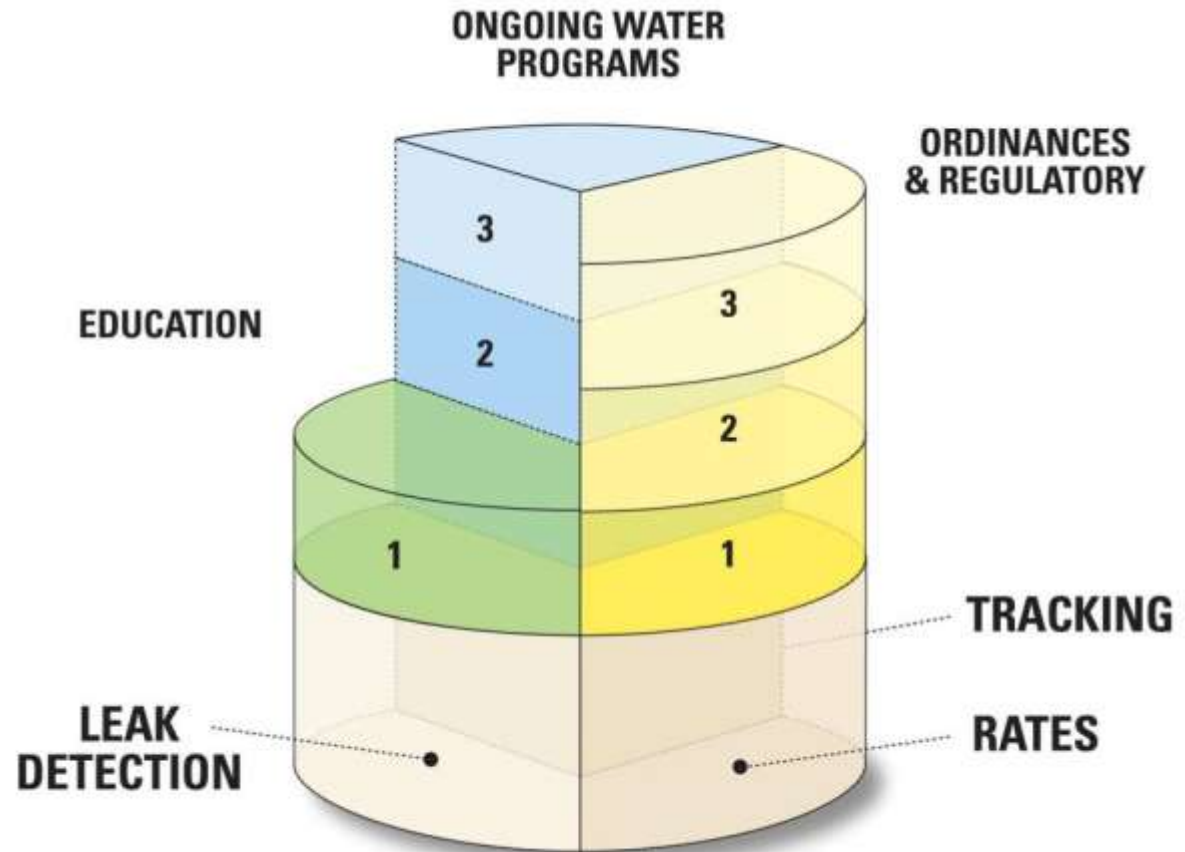
One Way

Bill Stuffers

Website  
Postings

Mass Mailings

Xeriscape  
Demo Garden



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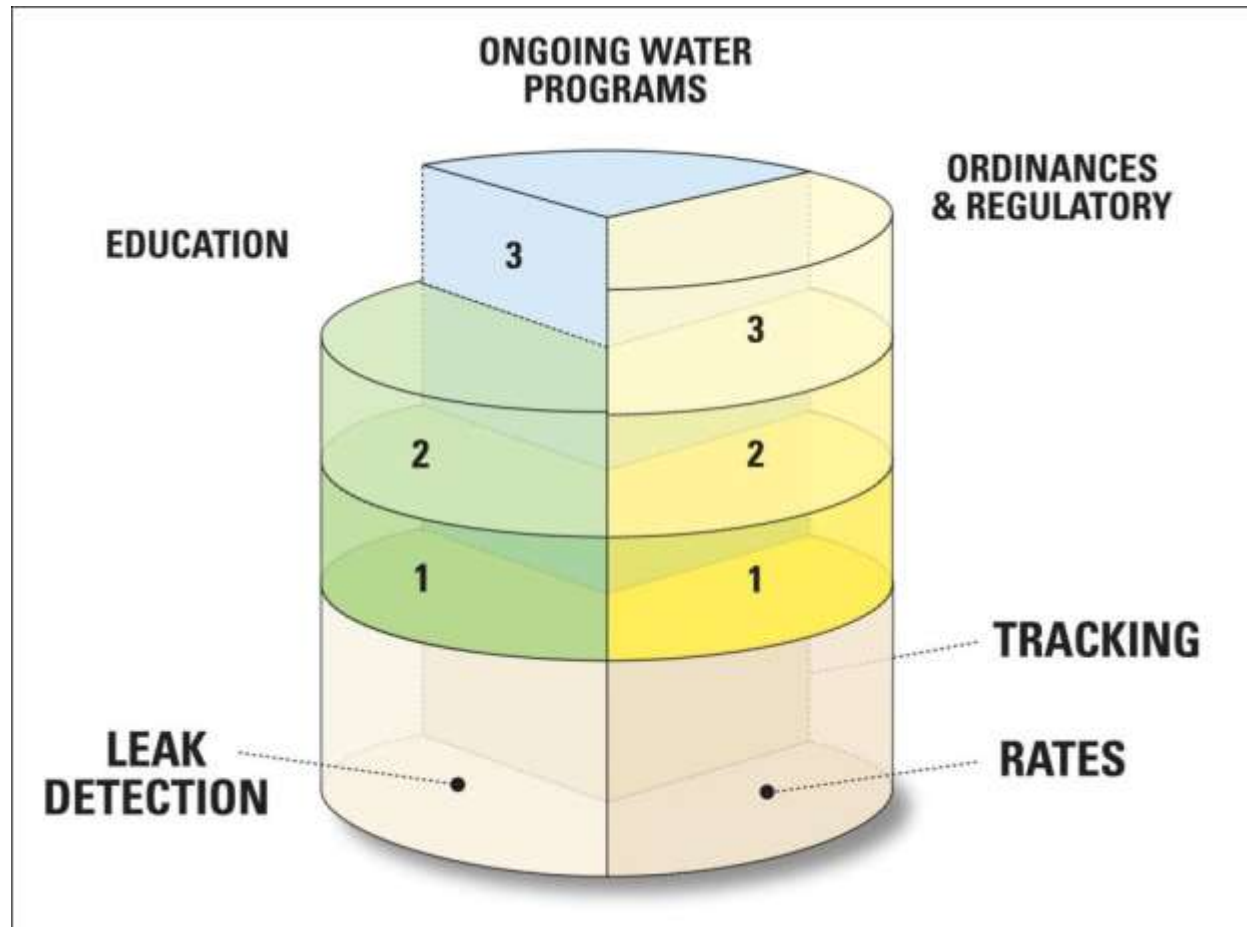
One-Way  
with Some  
Feedback

K-12  
Education

Water Fairs

Consistent  
Messaging

Interactive  
Website (with  
tracking)



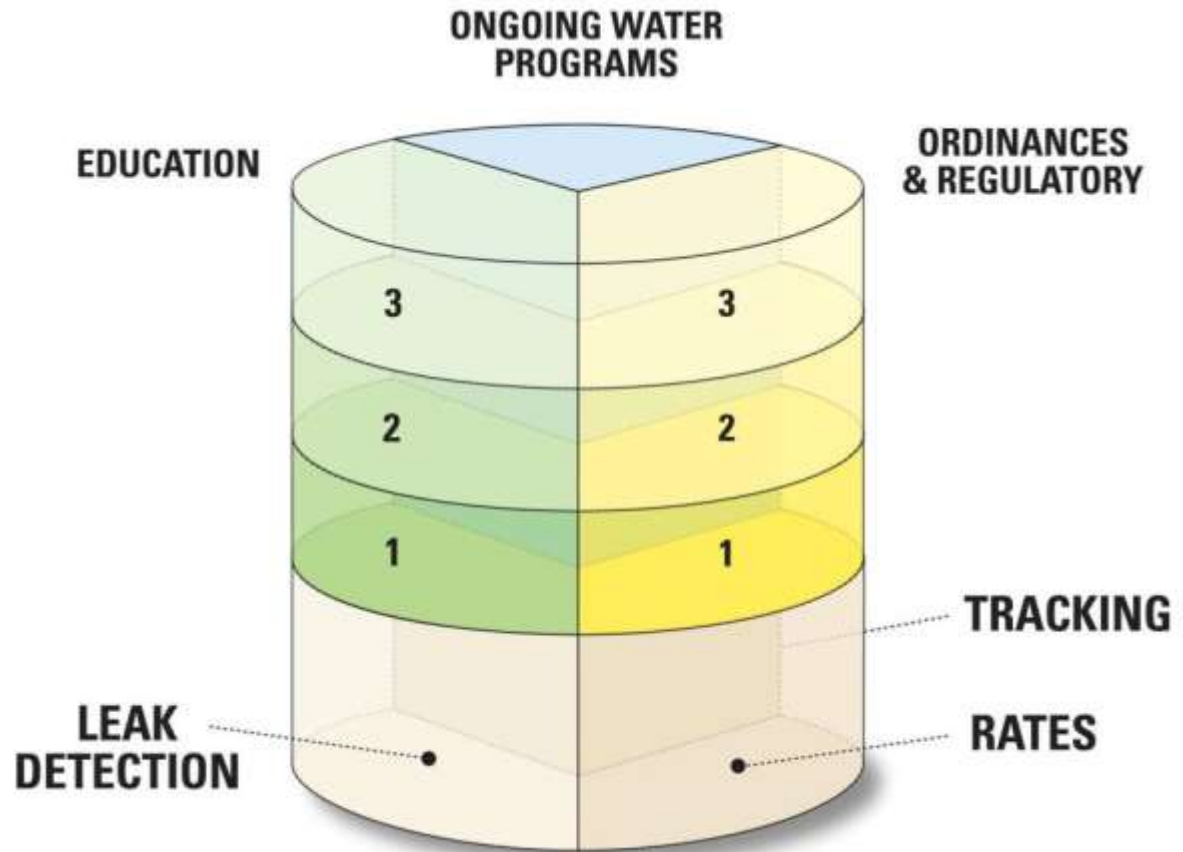
# Tiered Programs for Utilities/Districts

Two-Way

Citizen  
Advisory  
Board

Focus Groups

Social  
Marketing





# How Do Current Plans Stack Up?

Look at Six Plans

East and West Slope

Small and Mid-Sized Communities

Proposed Programs (not necessarily implemented)

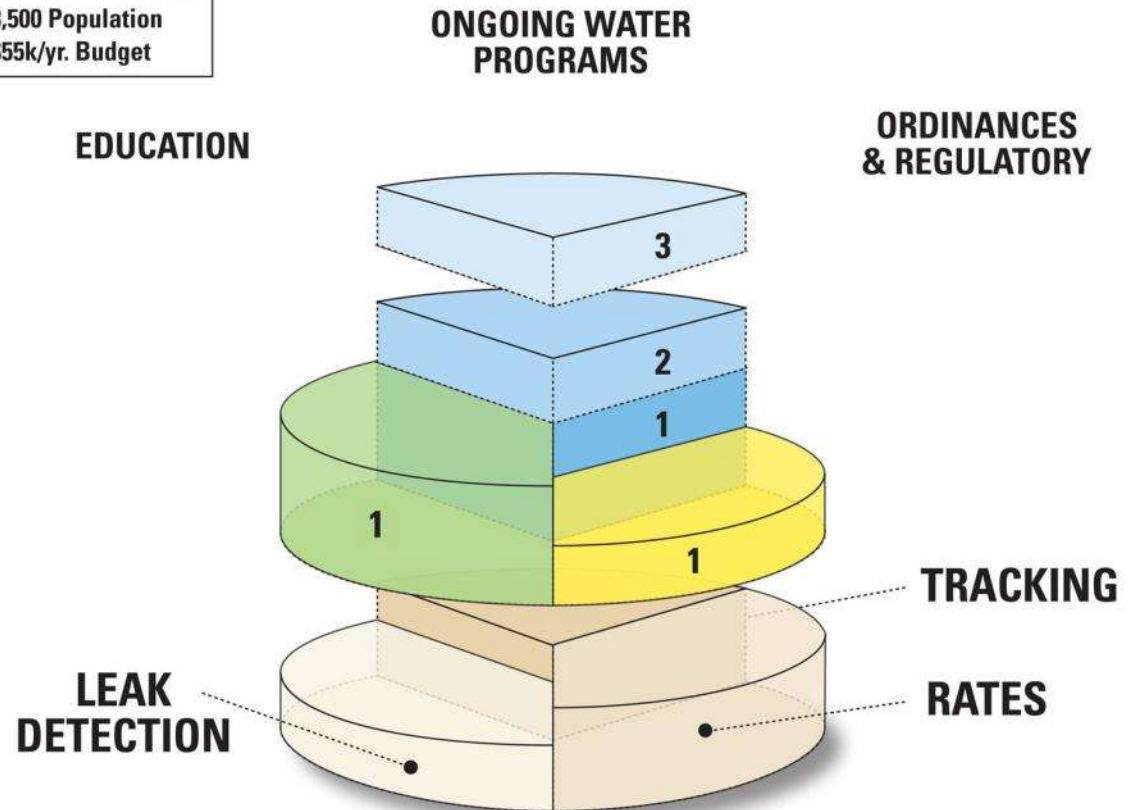


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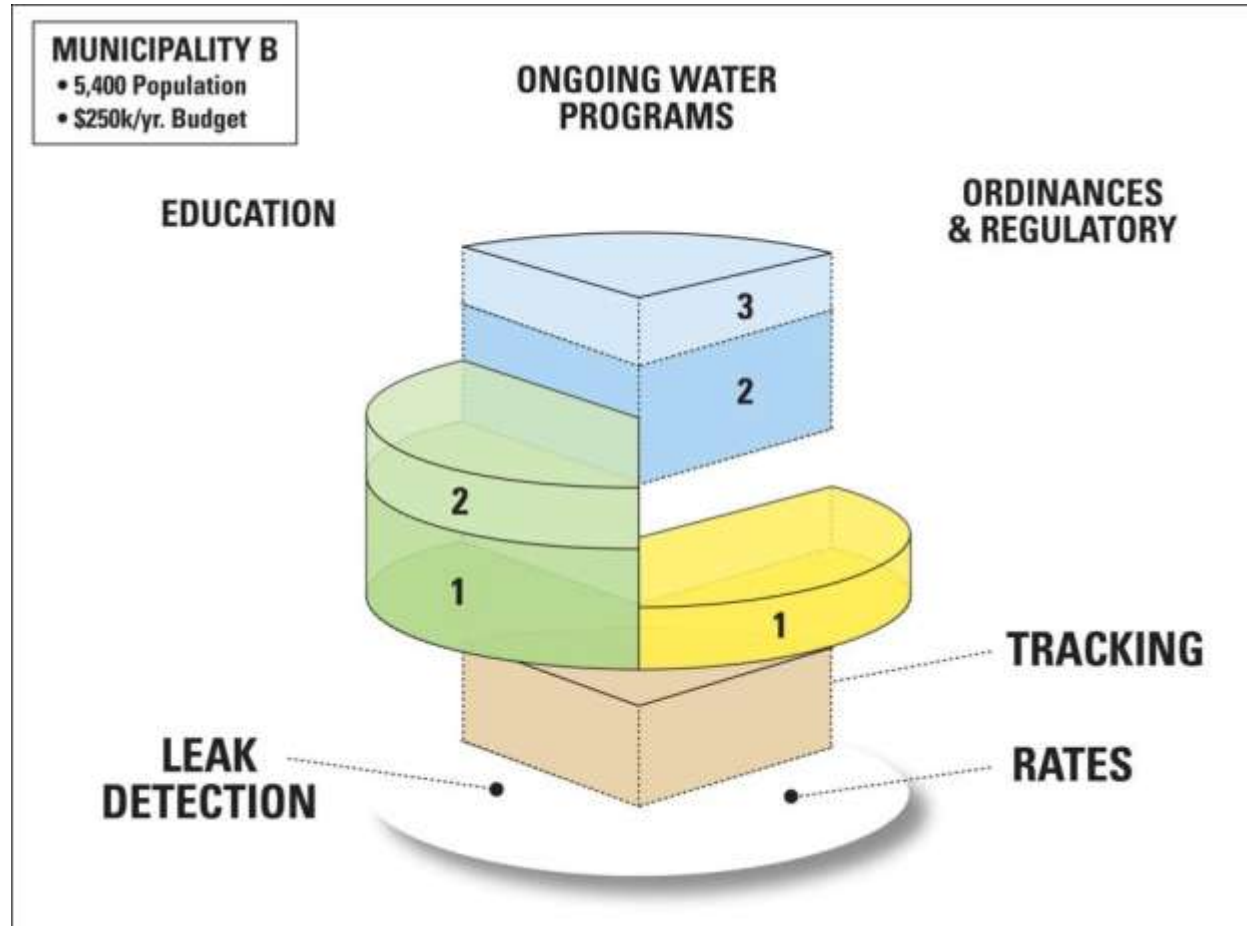
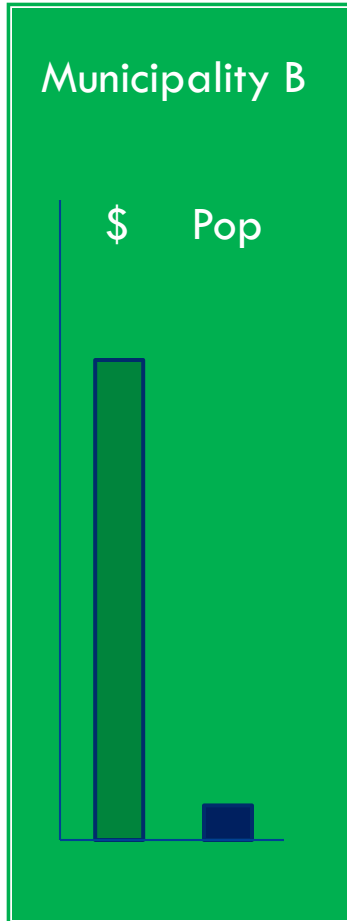


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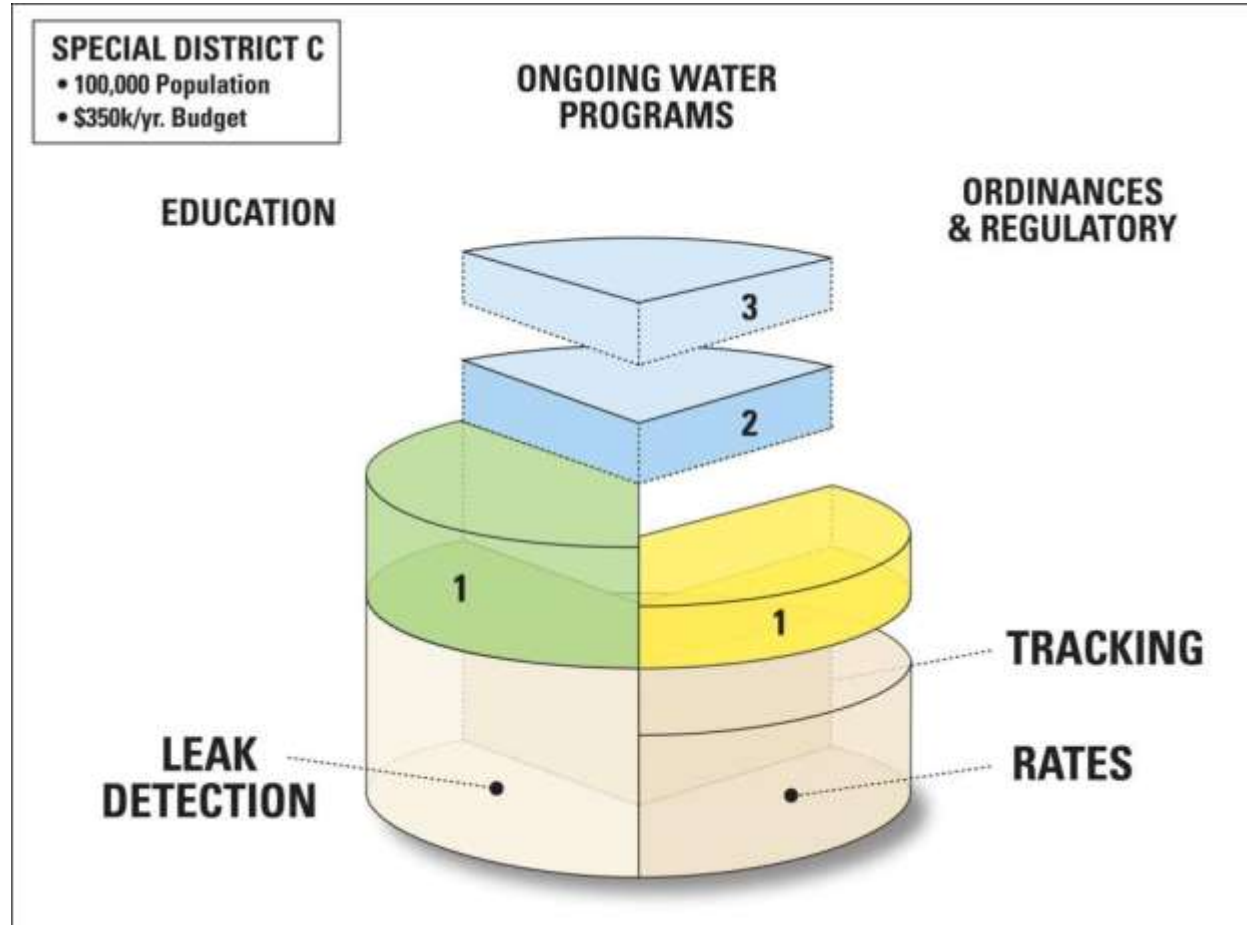
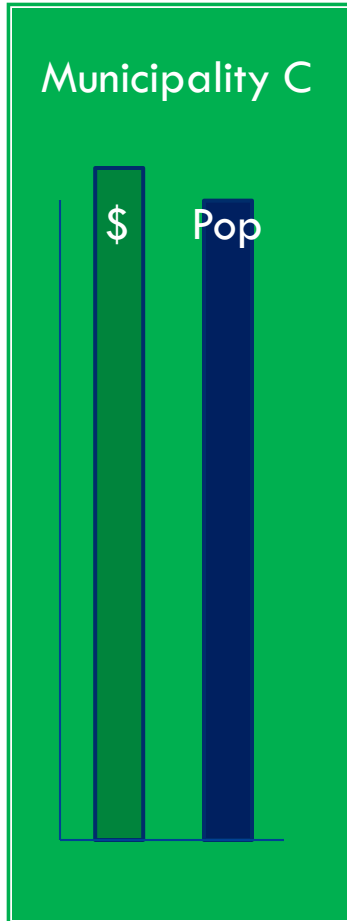
- 8,500 Population
- \$55k/yr. Budget



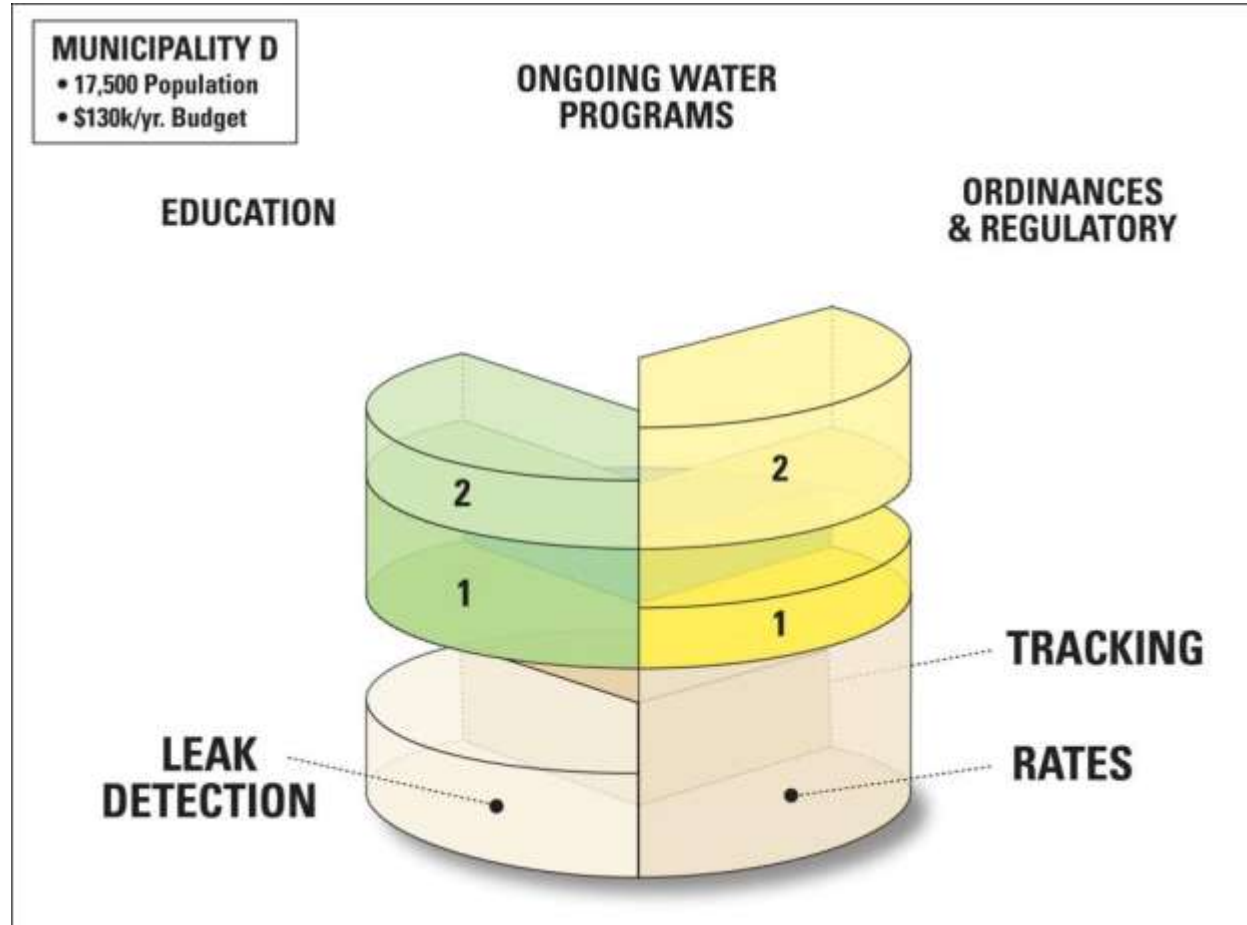
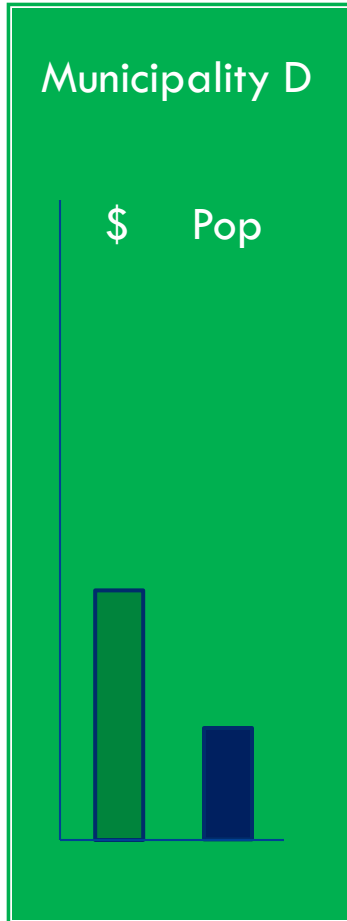
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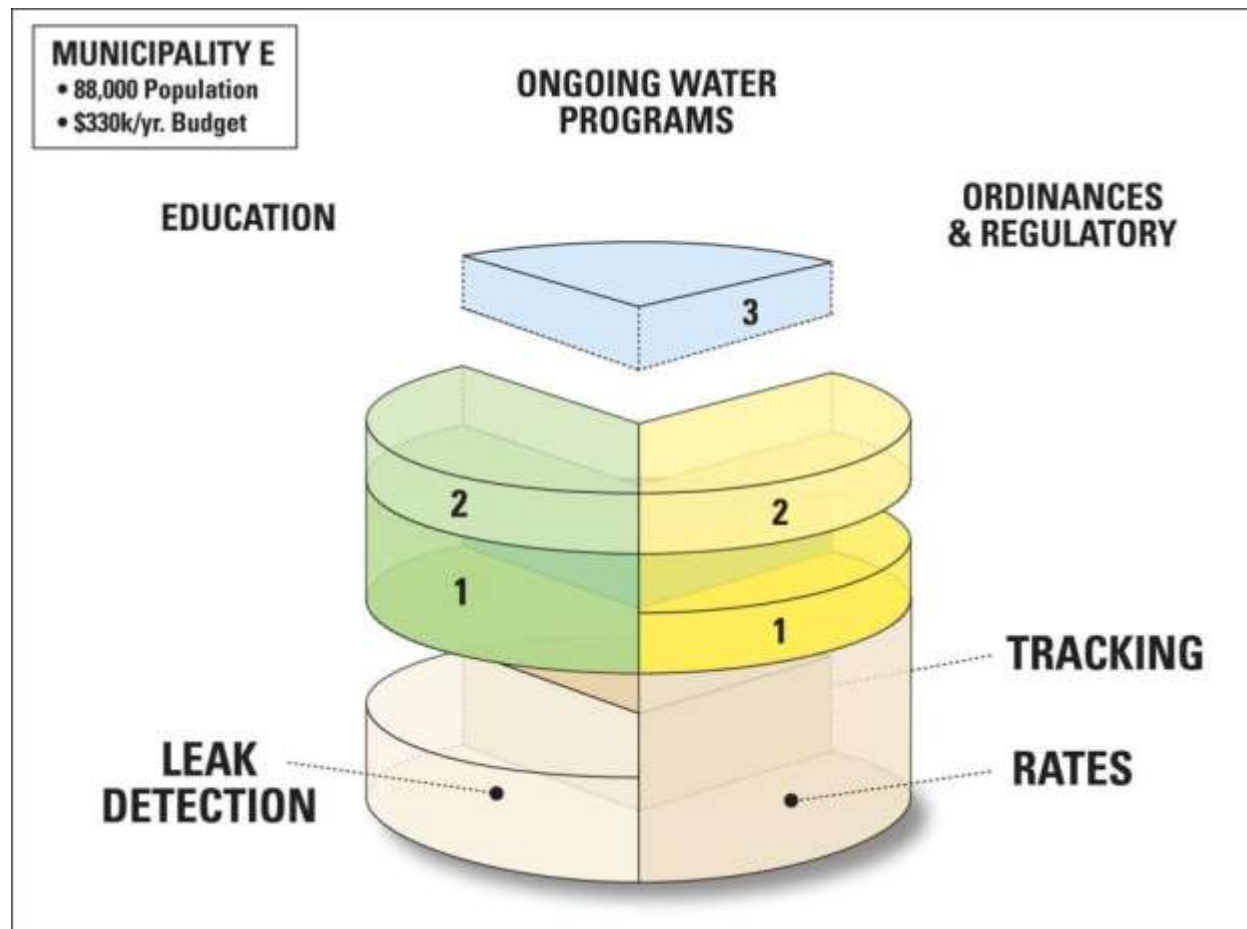
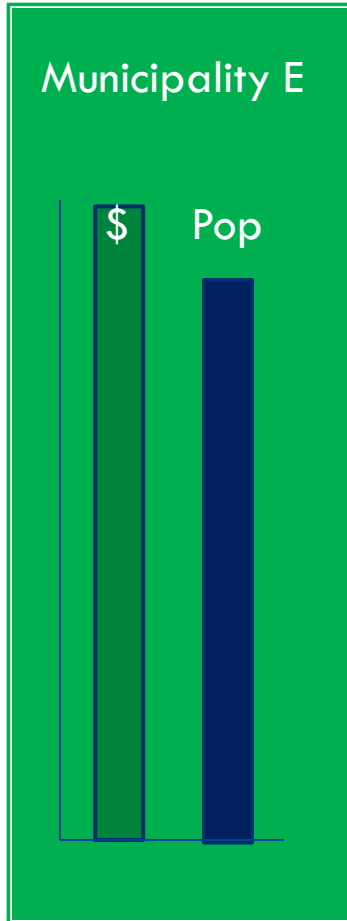
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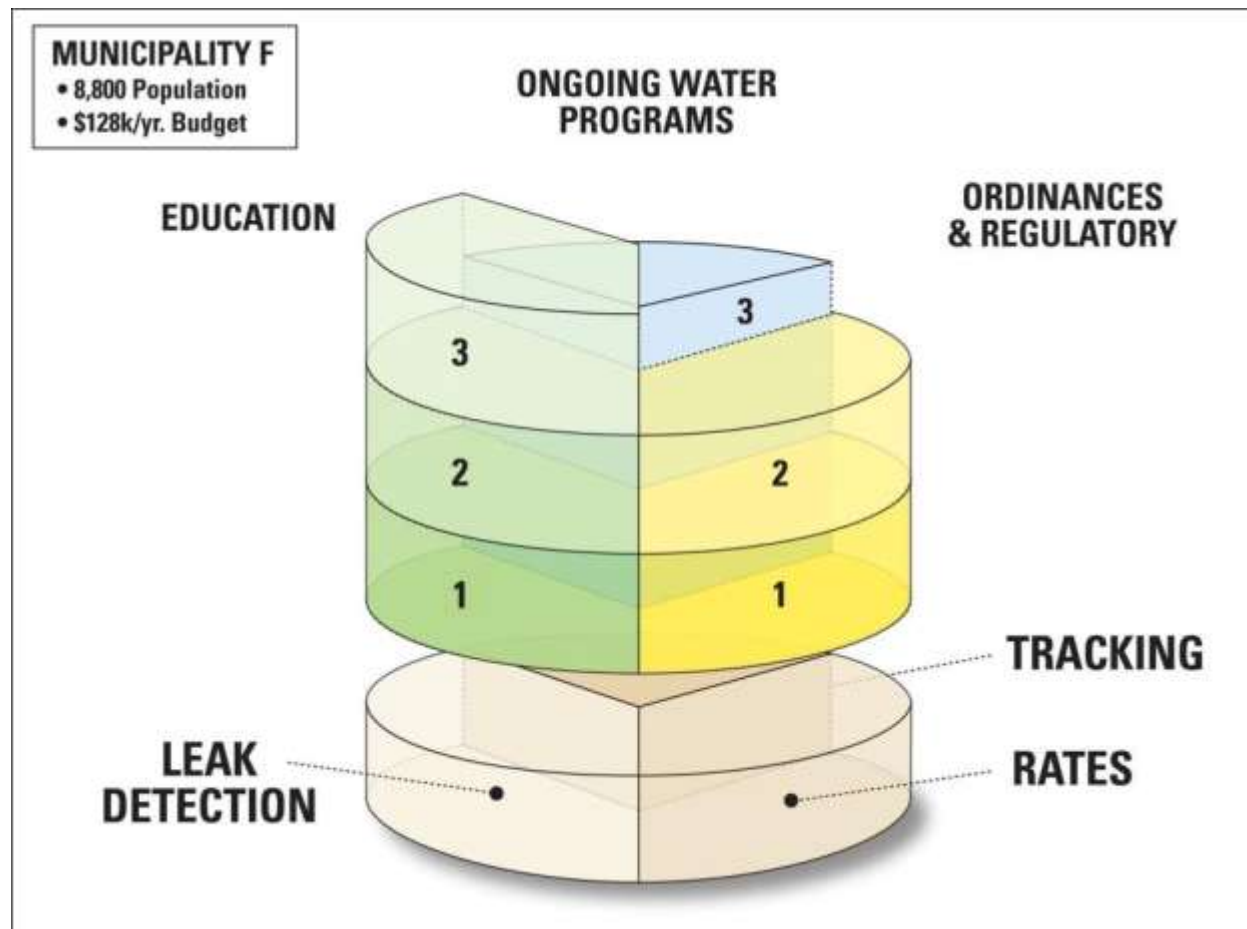
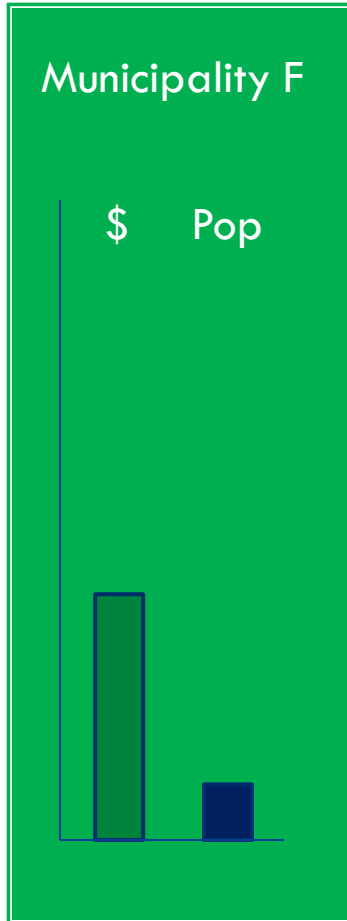
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- ❑ Passive Savings by Customers Will Be Substantial
- ❑ Utility Focus
  - ❑ Business of Water Production and Delivery
    - ❑ Improved leak Detection and repair
    - ❑ Improved billings/metering
    - ❑ Improved tracking of customer water use
  - ❑ Build Programs based on Customer and Utility Needs
- ❑ State Focus
  - ❑ Monitoring and Data Collection
  - ❑ Promoting and Tracking Meaningful Water Conservation