

Aamodt Settlement Overview

Timeline

1966 – Suit filed to adjudicate Pojoaque stream system.

2001 – Federal court orders settlement discussions.

2004 – PBWA began participating.

2006 – Settlement Agreement – signed by State, County, City and four Pueblos. Resolves claims of the four Pueblos and provides protections for non-Pueblo water users.

2009 – Congress enacts legislation providing a source of funding for the Aamodt water rights settlement.

2010 – Congress enacts the Aamodt Litigation Settlement Act.

Overview of Settlement

- Settlement resolves longstanding disputes and 44 year litigation over water in the basin involving four Pueblos and several thousand non-Pueblo parties.
- It calls for construction of regional water system serving both Pueblo and non-Pueblo residents:
 - up to 2,500 acre-feet for Pueblos
 - up to 1,500 acre-feet for Non-Pueblos.
- It provides for quantification of Pueblo water rights, reliability of supply, and economic development for the Pueblos.
- It addresses impacts on aquifer and surface flows of future water development both in the basin and affecting the basin.
- It protects existing agricultural uses from priority enforcement of entire Pueblo right.
- It protects existing non-Pueblo domestic wells.

Cost Sharing – Project Construction (2006 \$)

Federal	106,400,000
State	49,500,000
County	<u>7,400,000</u>
	163,300,000

County System Sizing and Operating Costs

Maximum: 1,500 acre-feet; Operating Costs: To be determined by the County

<u>Source of Supply</u>	<u>Move-from afy</u>	<u>Move-to afy</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Pueblos</u>
Domestic well transfers	750	750	750	
Santa Fe County TOW	1,752	1,577	550	1,027
Nambe Pueblo transfer	302	302		302
San Juan-Chama	<u>1,079</u>	<u>1,052</u>	<u> </u>	<u>1,052</u>
	3,883	3,681	1,300	2,381