

Lower San Juan Basin Groundwater Yield Enhancement Study Past Performance

MWDOC has previously received several grants from State Agencies (DWR, SWRCB, DPR) and Federal agencies (EPA, USBR, NRCS, and FEMA). Since 2001, we have received in total 44 grants: 34 for Water Use Efficiency, 3 for Emergency Response, 1 for Water Reliability Planning, and 6 for Ocean Desalination (Test Slant Well). This is the first grant that we have applied for under the Local Groundwater Assistance Program.

For grant administration, we make an effort to always provide timely submittal of progress, draft and final reports as well as invoices and other reporting requirements. All grants have been completed within the grant duration schedule. MWDOC has never had a grant rescinded for non-performance.

Consultant selection is primarily accomplished through competitive selection using selection panels consisting of both project partners and outside experts to assure independent selection of the most qualified consultant team. MWDOC has provided both project management and technical support and work with our participating agencies, environmental organizations, and consumers throughout Orange County

A key measure of performance is the successful conclusion of the work undertaken and the follow-up implementation of recommended actions. Our grant work has led to the successful development and implementation of several cutting edge water use efficiency programs, water reliability projects, and development and demonstration of ocean desalination technology (development of slant well technology for ocean desalination feedwater supply). Our Water Emergency Response Organization of Orange County (WEROC) has received several Federal grants that have aided in the development of this highly regarded program to assist the water and wastewater agencies in the County with emergency preparedness and recovery efforts. WEROC may be the only water and wastewater representative in the State specifically written into the Local Operational Area Response Plan.