



ARKANSAS VALLEY CONDUIT MONTHLY REPORT

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AVC Committee Meeting

The next meeting of the Enterprise Arkansas Valley Conduit Committee has not been set.

Want to learn more about the AVC?

If your organization would like a presentation on AVC, contact Chris Woodka, 719-289-0785 or email chris@secwcd.com



Work continues on Boone Reach 2

Pate Construction continues to install pipeline along Colorado Highway 96 that will connect AVC pipeline to Boone. Boone Reach 1 has been completed by WCA Construction and Thalle Construction has started work at the Injection Site.



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The Fairmont location for the South Swink Water Authority is one of two delivery points for AVC water to the community.

South Swink gets loan, grants for AVC improvements

The South Swink Water Authority has received \$2.173 million for improvements that will be made to connect to the Arkansas Valley Conduit.

South Swink converted to a water authority in June, which made the funding possible.

“Becoming an authority opened up more options for funding that we didn’t have before,” said Norman Noe, Manager and Operator of the South Wink Authority.

The Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority approved a total of \$1.498 million in loans (\$965,333 principal forgiveness; \$532,667 direct loan) at its October 3 meeting. The funds come through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

That will be added to a \$600,000 Energy Impact Assistance Fund Grant, a \$25,000 Planning Conversion Grant and a \$50,000 Small Communities Grant previously awarded.

The project consists of improvements to the drinking water system, including two 75,000-gallon storage tanks, treatment modifications (for disinfection and pH adjustment), a backup generator, and new water meters.

These improvements are needed to convert from the South Swink Water Authority’s well system and connect to the AVC.

Located west of La Junta, South Swink serves about 600 people.

Enterprise Board awards design contract for spurs, delivery lines

Contracts to for final design of spurs and delivery lines to the Rocky Ford area were approved by the Southeastern Colorado Water Activity Enterprise Board at its September 18 meeting.

Two contracts totaling \$4.5 million were awarded to Kennedy Jenks to design spurs and delivery lines to Rocky Ford, including the spur line south of Rocky Ford. This will include six Crowley County participants and 12 Otero County participants.

The design contracts will allow for completion of Project Needs Assessment requirements that will lead to construction loans from the State Drinking Water Revolving Fund. Principal for those loans will be paid by Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) grants, with loan forgiveness supplying the balance.

The contracts are set up to meet schedule requirements for loans, and will be paid partly by the Enterprise and partly by CWCB grants.