



Ten Reasons Why SDS is Important to Pueblo and Pueblo West

1. Pueblo and Pueblo West are tied to the regional economy of Colorado Springs, Fountain and Security. Each community's individual strength has collective benefits for the region.
2. Pueblo West can only participate in SDS if the water pipeline originates from Pueblo Dam. This will give Pueblo West a low cost water delivery option for their community.
3. The construction budget for SDS is \$600 million. About \$170 million will be for construction of the pipeline and facilities in Pueblo County. Pueblo contractors will be able to compete for this work in Pueblo and El Paso Counties.
4. About 130 construction jobs will be filled for the work planned for Pueblo County.
5. Local goods and services will be purchased in Pueblo for SDS – ranging from supplies and products to build the project to gas, food and lodging for workers.
6. SDS will be required to mitigate its impacts and make improvements to Fountain Creek, leveraging the many efforts already underway to transform the creek into an economic and cultural amenity for local communities.
7. The continuation of the Flow Management Program that protects the Arkansas River and supports stream flows for recreation, the environment and the kayak course in Pueblo is contingent on SDS originating from Pueblo Dam.
8. SDS prevents signers to the Intergovernmental Agreement – including Aurora – from transporting more water out of the Arkansas River basin.
9. SDS does not dry up agricultural lands and provides farmers and ranchers the opportunity to lease their water when they don't need it.
10. SDS will supply water for the growth of our regional military installations, including Fort Carson.



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