

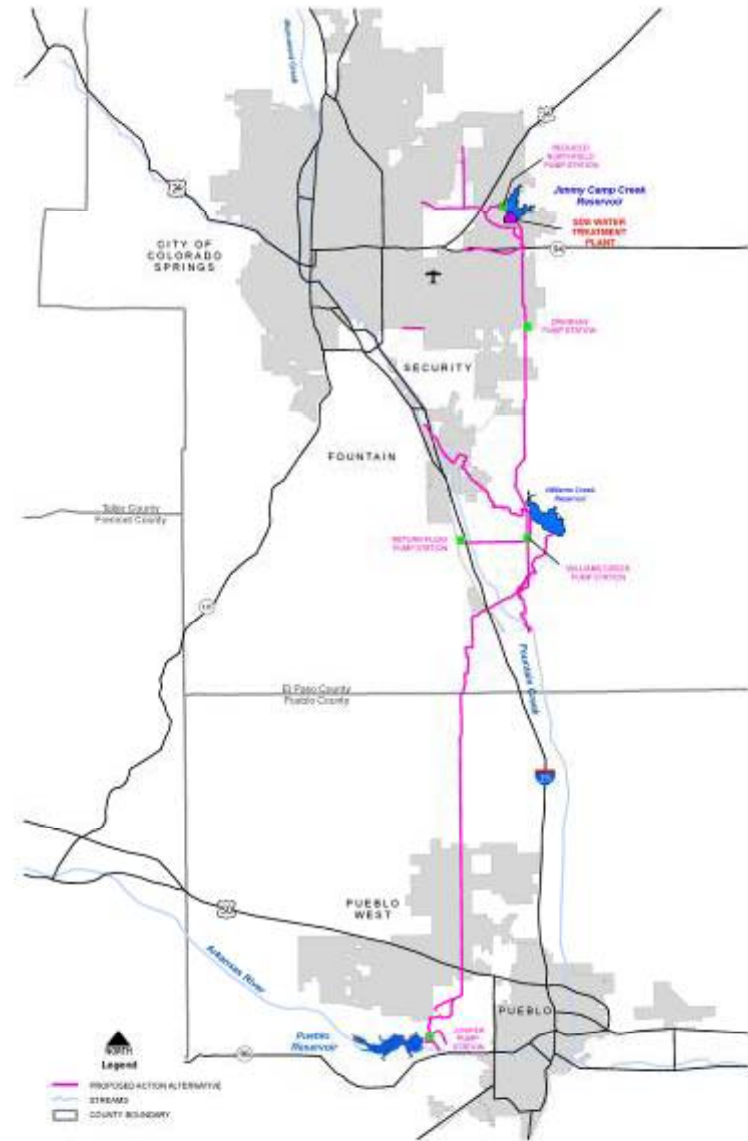
Southern Delivery System: Our Future Depends On It

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Southern Delivery System: Proposed Action

- Our Future Depends On It
 - Cost effective
 - Dependable
 - Environmentally responsible



- Our Future depends on it
 - Growing Community
 - Drought Protection
 - System Reliability



- Already own water rights
- No new trans-basin diversions
- No new main-stem dams
- Most cost effective
- Operationally efficient
- Environmentally responsible
- Water for 4 communities
- No agricultural dry-up



- Conservation
 - Award-winning conservation efforts
 - Per capita residential use lowest on Front Range
 - Conservation alone won't meet need



Award-winning Xeriscape™ Demonstration Garden

- Conservation programs
 - Tiered pricing
 - Efficiency rebates
 - Customer education
 - Commercial landscape code
 - Collaboration with conservation groups



Award-winning Xeriscape™ Demonstration Garden

- Reuse
 - Pioneered recycling of treated wastewater for irrigation in 1960s
 - Non-potable reuse important portion of our water supply
 - Potable reuse:
 - Not economical
 - Energy intensive
 - Solid-waste issues



- Evaluates 7 alternatives
 - Participants' Proposed Action is initial "Agency Preferred Alternative"
 - Based on:
 - 10 public scoping issues
 - Other relevant issues:
 - Energy use
 - Cost
 - All 6 Action Alternatives "reasonable"
- Available: www.sdseis.com

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Managing Water in the West

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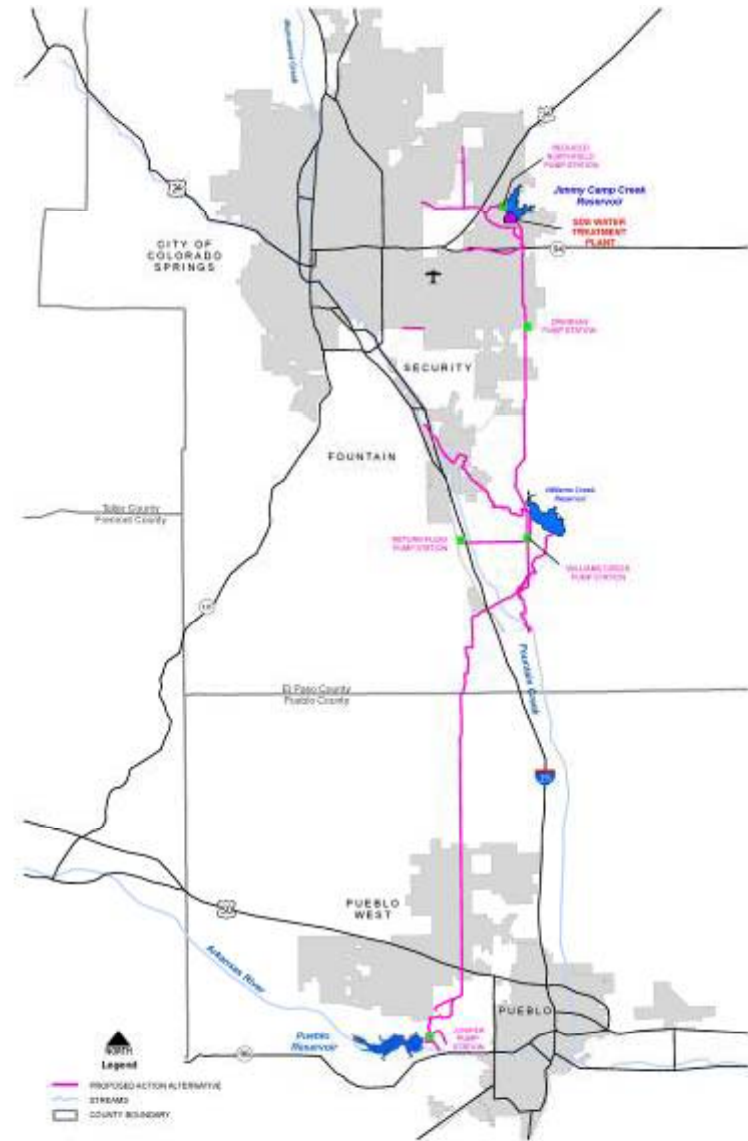
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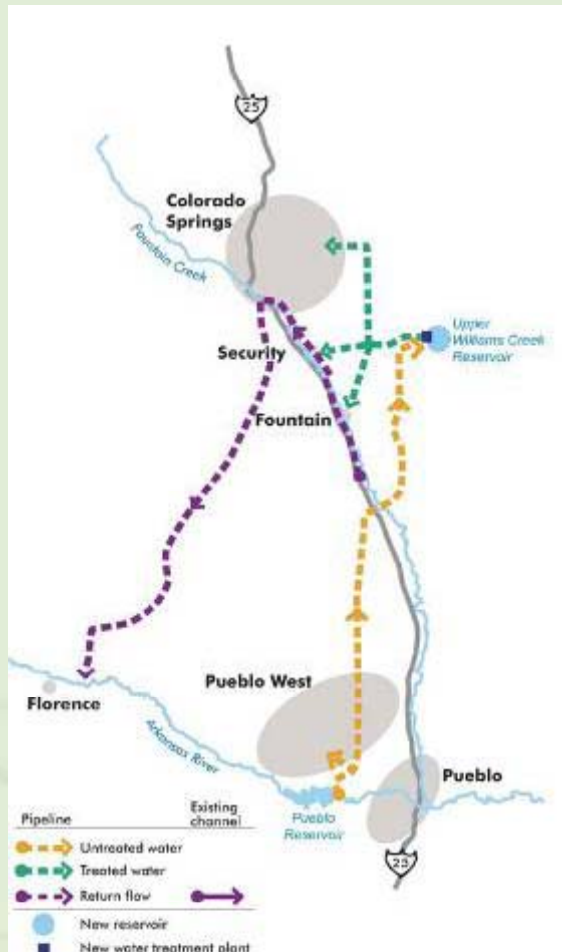
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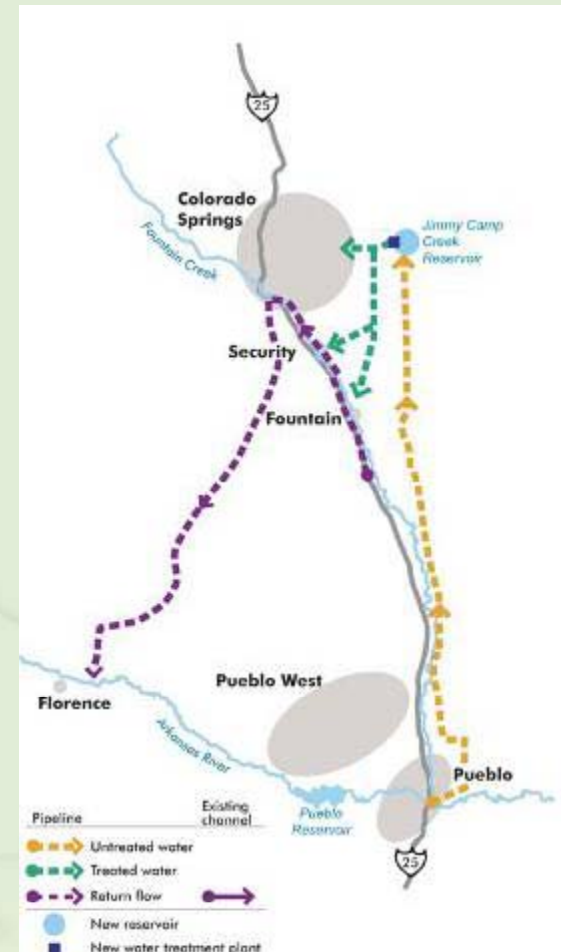
- Water rights we own from Arkansas River
 - Could deliver water by 2012
 - 43 miles of 66-inch pipe from Pueblo Reservoir
 - Treatment facility and 3 pump stations
 - Dependable water supply beyond 2040



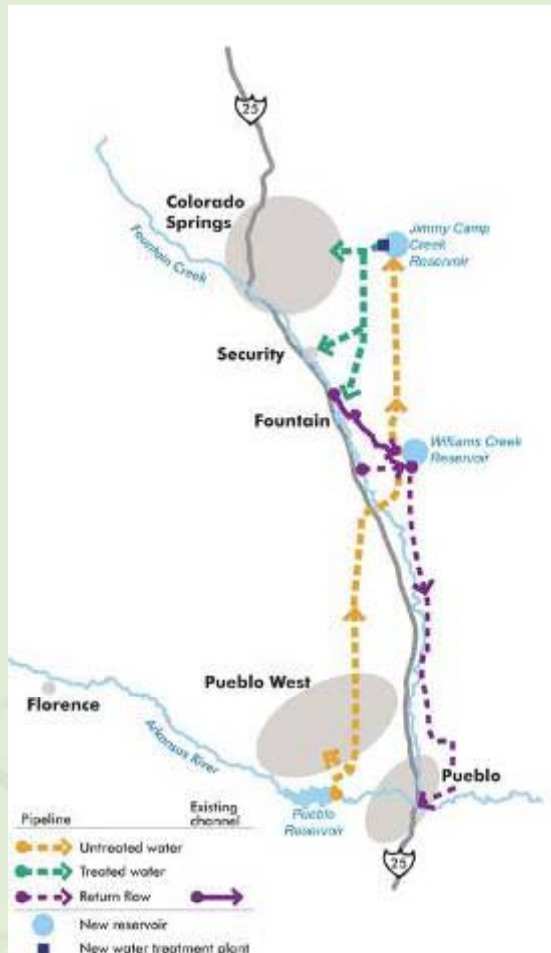
Wetland



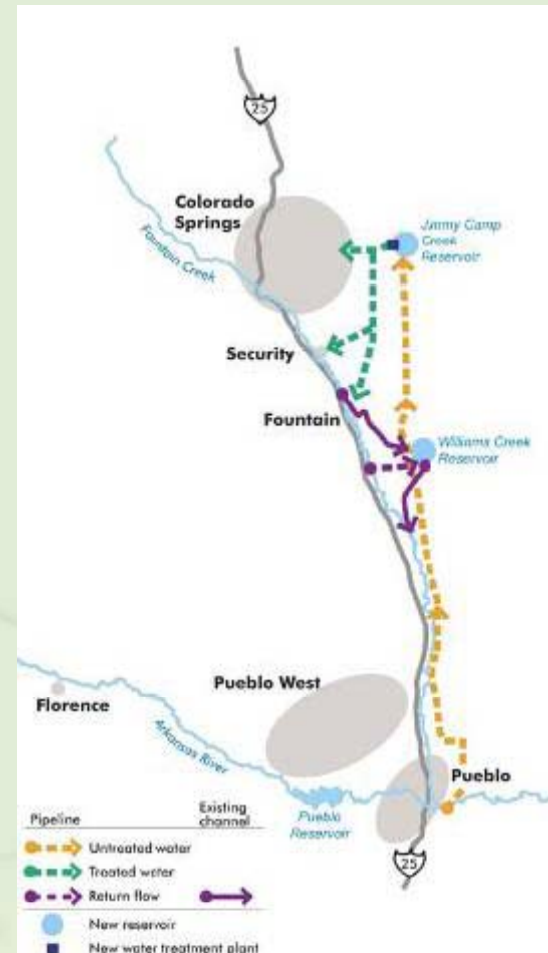
Arkansas River



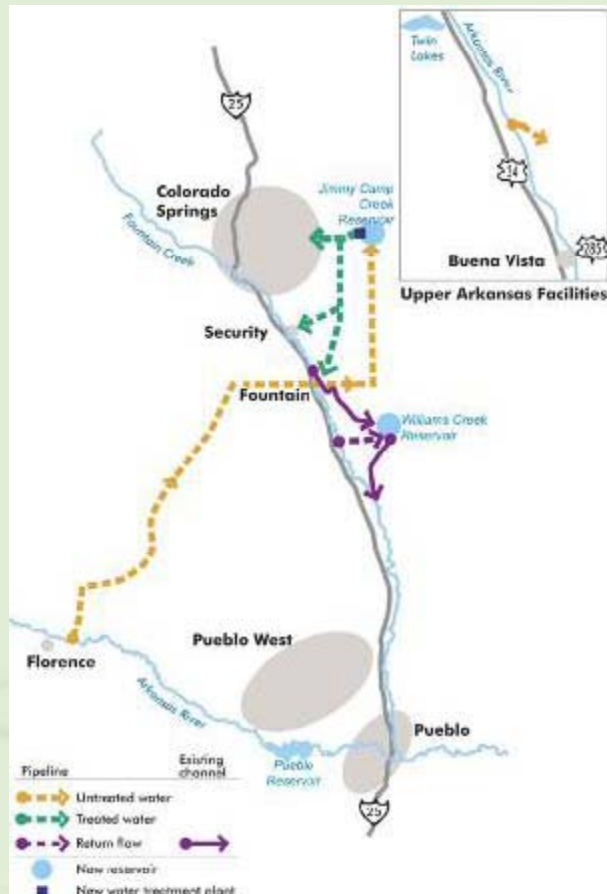
Fountain Creek



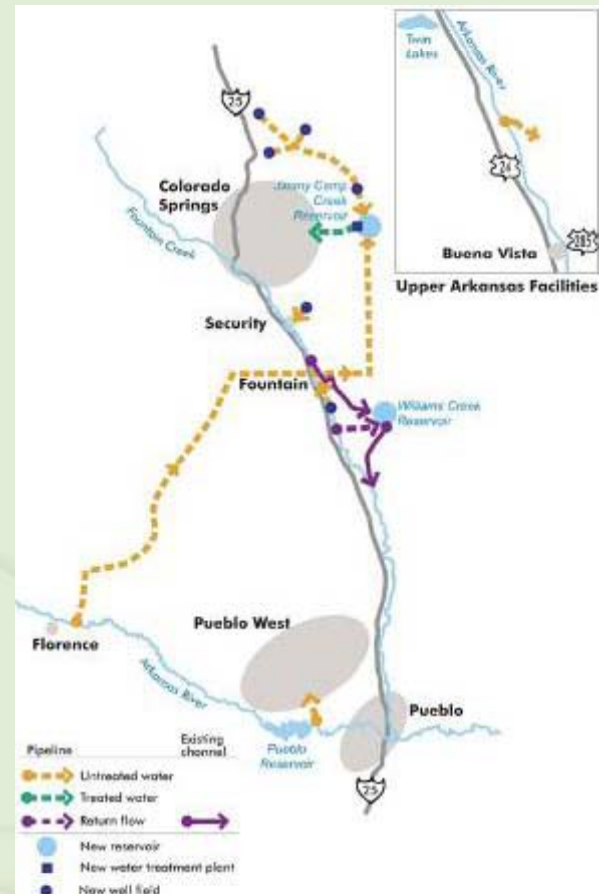
Downstream Intake



Highway 115



No Action



- Public comment period
 - Closes June 13
 - Details: www.sdseis.com
- Final EIS: Late 2008
- Record of Decision: Early 2009

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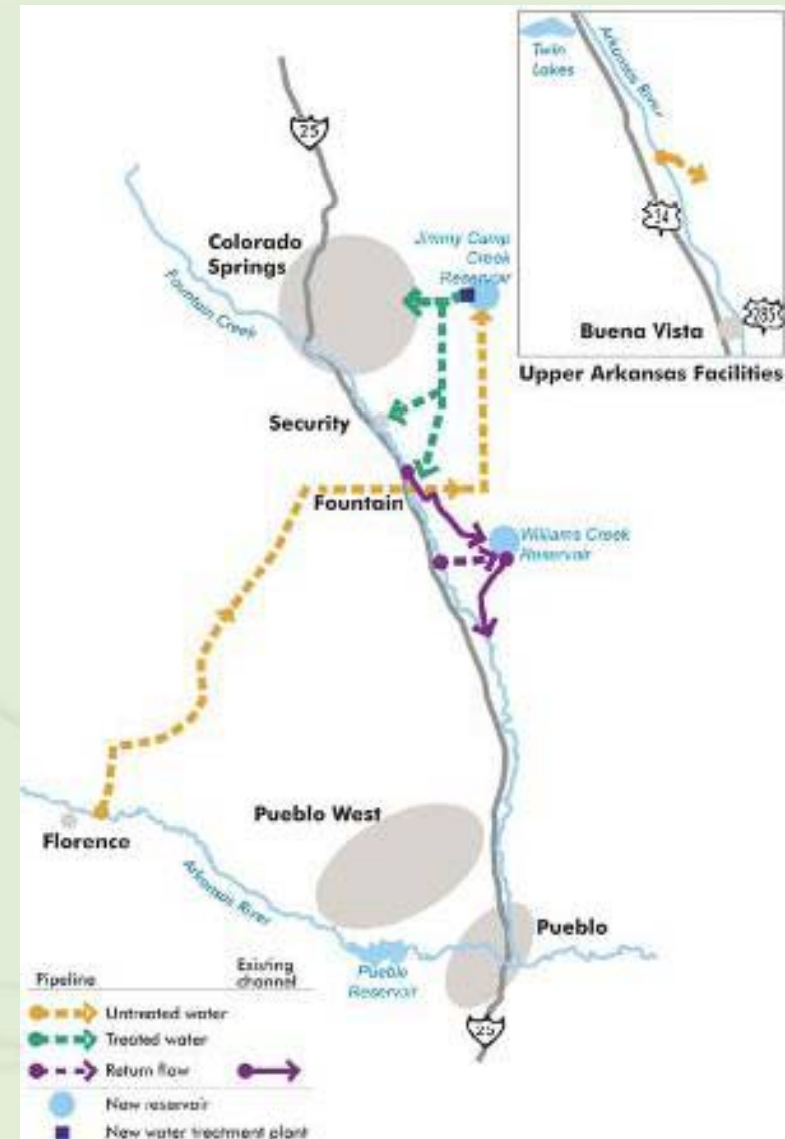
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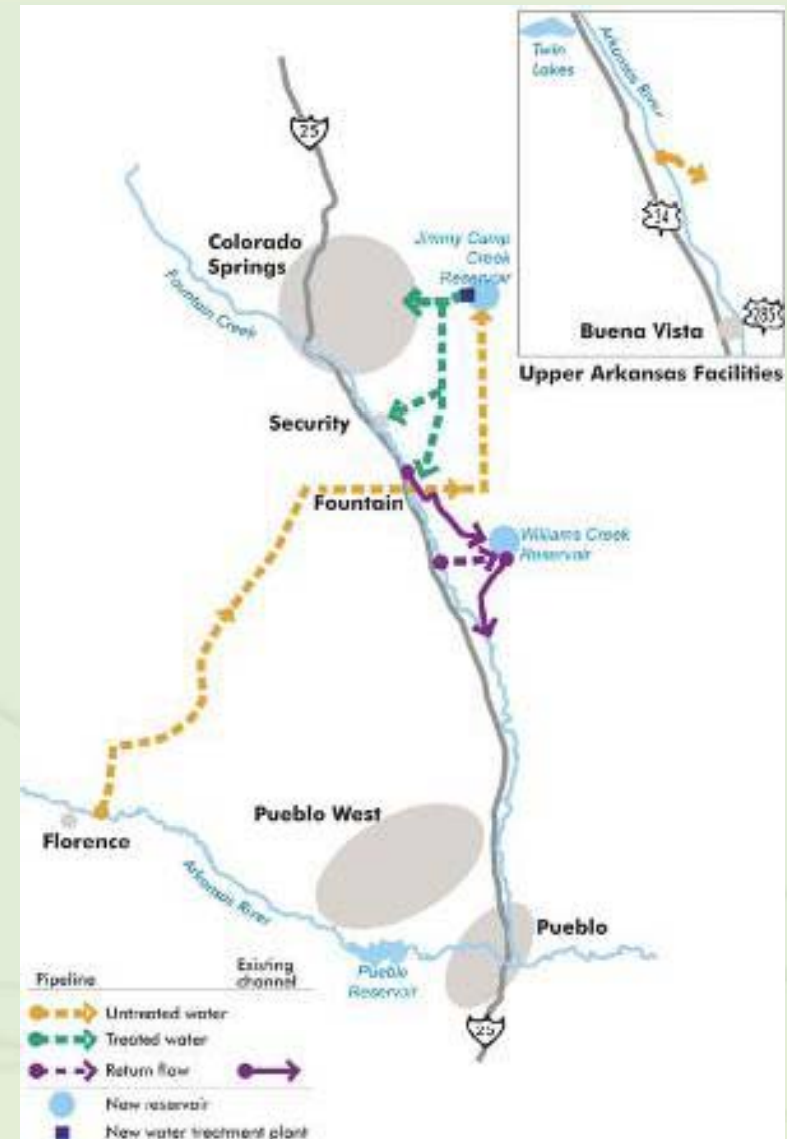
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- Intergovernmental Agreement
 - Well-defined permitting process
 - All county costs reimbursed
 - Mitigate construction impacts
- Benefits to county
 - Local contracting opportunities
 - Committed to improvements
- Work collaboratively with you



- Advance notice
- Keep fully informed
- Purchase easements
- Landscape restored





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Questions