What Is Prepare60?



The Center established by Utah's four largest water conservancy districts to protect what we have, use it wisely, and provide for the future.









Prepare60 Focus









Water System Basics

Where Does Utah's Precipitation Go?

- Natural Environment/ Groundwater Recharge
- Agricultural Depletions
- Municipal & Industrial (M&I) Depletions
- Wetlands/Reservoir Depletions
- Net Outflow (includes flow to GSL)
- Potential
 Developable
 Supply





*Average annual precipitation is about 61 million acre-f



Source: Utah Division of Water Resources



Roles in Water Systems

- Federal: Primarily played a financing role in the past, but funding is dwindling
- State: Primarily played a planning and regulatory role, must now fill financing gap
- Local: Primary interface of water system for end users



Statewide Water Infrastructure Plan (SWIP)

- For statewide municipal and industrial (M&I) water needs through 2060
- Organized by river basin
- Includes 25% to 35% conservation





Planning for the Future

ESTIMATED STATEWIDE INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS \$38 BILLION



Statewide cost projections by decade in billions of dollars, not including **\$9.5 billion** in conservation costs paid by businesses and homeowners.



New Water Supply Sources







"Community investment includes costs to nome and business owners for water conservation efforts, su landscape/irrigation alterations or indoor plumbing changes.

















Essential Water Funding Tools

- Water Rates (or User Charges)
- Impact Fees
- Property Taxes



Water Rates:

• Fund ongoing operation, maintenance & replacement costs of the treatment & delivery of water to our taps



• By law, can only amount to costs to capture, treat, deliver, and conserve water



Impact Fees:

- One-time payments to fund new facilities & water sources for growth
- Typically paid when building permit issued
- Allow future water users to share costs of new infrastructure



Property Taxes:

- Determined by state law
- Allow future water users to pay capital costs of future infrastructure





 Provide stable revenue source to support financing for new water supply Utah is one of 8 western states to use property tax for water infrastructure

Public Good benefits paid for by property taxes:





Financing





How much will be paid by the end water user?



Colorado River

Protecting Utah's share of the Colorado River





H2O Collective



An initiative between **ULCT and Prepare60** focused on providing meaningful water conservation tools, strategies, and training for the local level.



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