LAKE POWELL PIPELINE:
Leaky Proposal Doesn’t Hold Water
Under Scrutiny

WESTERN RESOURCE
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PROTECTING THE WEST’S LAND, AIR, AND WATER
Reminders

- Time
- Questions
- Recording
Lake Powell Pipeline

What is the Lake Powell Pipeline?

- 140 mile pipeline
- 86,000 acre-feet of Colorado River water to Washington County in Southern Utah every year
- > $1.9 billion
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Washington County has an alternative for meeting its future water needs:

- Municipal conservation is a proven, reliable approach to lowering demand:
  - 1% reduction in gpcd each leads to 42,000 acre-feet savings by 2060

- Recycled water (a/k/a ReUse) is available to meet some new demands:
  - Nearly 17,000 acre-feet available by 2060

- Re-allocating water currently used by agriculture also meets some demand:
  - 13,600 acre-feet likely to be available from land conversions
  - Over 35,000 acre-feet if you also add in potential water leases
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Average Daily Water Usage
Total Public Supplies (GPCD)

Source: USGS 2015 Water Use Data
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WCWCD Supply & Demand Under WRA's Local Waters Alternative
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Solutions that are:

- Incremental
- Flexible
- Reliable
- Cost-effective
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Highway Alternative

Southern Alternative

Southern Alternative Option B
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Congressional Authority

Lower Basin States
- 7.5 MAF
  - CA: 4.4 MAF
  - AZ: 2.8 MAF
  - NV: 0.3 MAF

Upper Basin States
- 51.75%
- CO
- 23%
- UT
- 14%
- NM
- 11.25%
- WY

Mexico
- 1.5 MAF
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