



# Montana Rural Water Systems “MRWS” – 36 Years! Annual Conference

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# **Brief Background History on Montana Rural Water...**

Tiber County WD

Hill County W/S District

Oilmont County Water



Lockwood W/S District

South Chester WD

October 1979 – 5 Original Members

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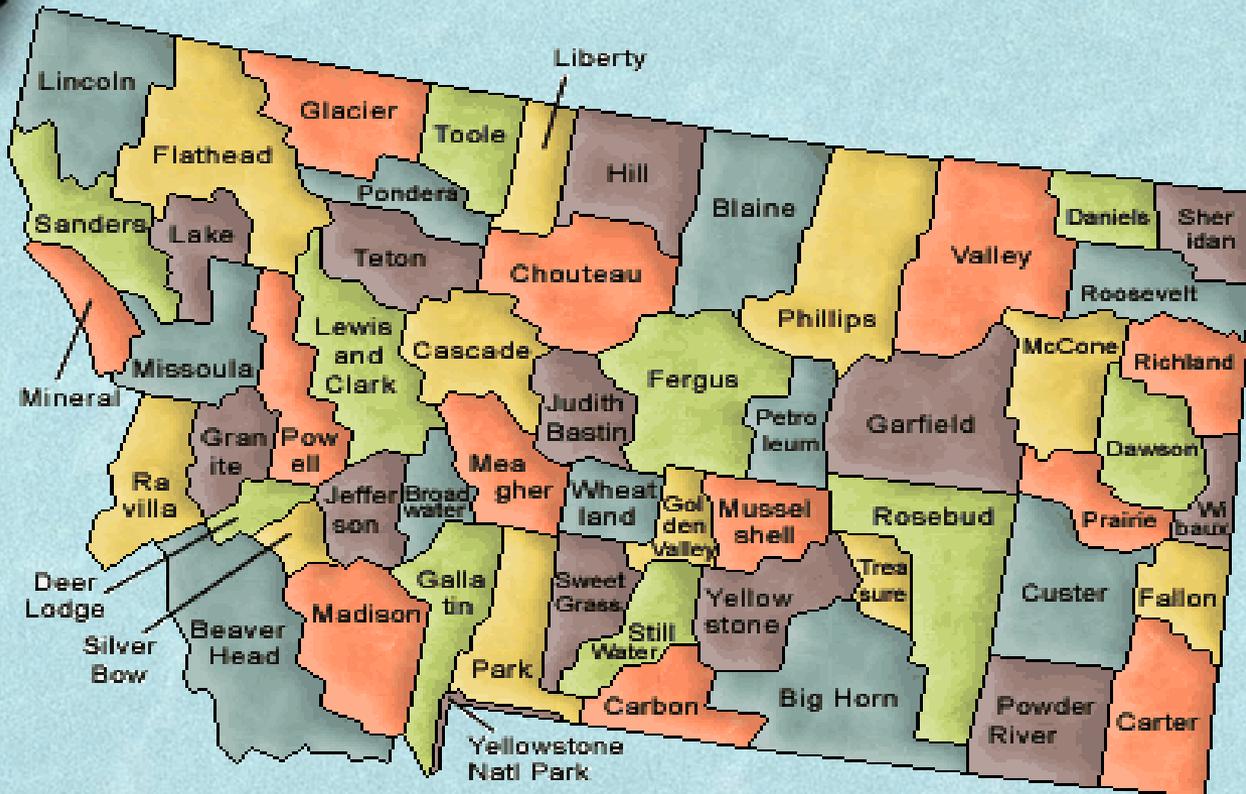


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- What do we do?



**We travel the whole State of Montana....  
From Westby to Darby and Eureka  
to Ekalaka.... Call on us for Assistance!**





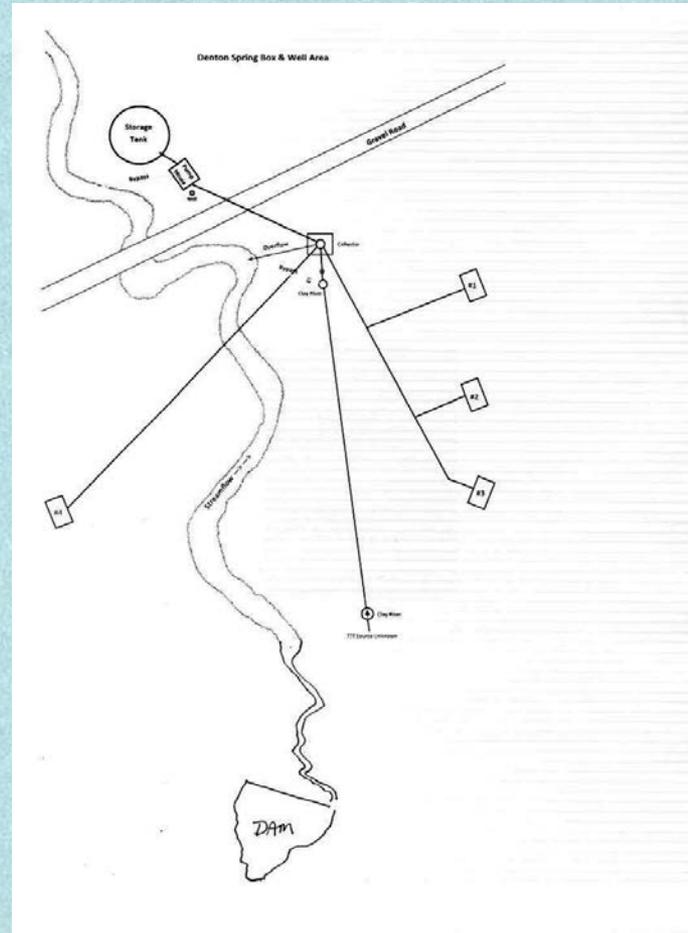
# MRWS Provides:

- Technical Assistance to Water & Wastewater Utilities
- Class Room Training Throughout Montana – No Registration Fee
- Rate Structuring to Pay for O&M, Infrastructure, & New Upgrades
- Regulatory Updates



# Technical Assistance

## Town of Denton – TA



# Leak Detection Training



# Safety Training



# Pump Training



# Sampling – Monitoring – Lab Analysis Training





# Provide Assist with Emergencies and Disasters

- White Sulphur Springs
- Brady County Water/Sewer District
- Roundup
- Boulder
- Malta
- Libby
- Rocky Boy Flood



# WSS - Tornado



# White Sulphur Springs



# Brady WTP – Black Sludge



# City of Roundup – Flood



# City of Malta - Security



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# MRWS Staff



- Company CEO – Donna Wadsworth
- Trainer/TA and Rule Specialist (1) – John C.
- Water Circuit Riders (2) – John W. & Nick C.
- Wastewater Circuit Rider (1) – Dan K.
- Training Specialist/TA Provider (1) – Rory S.
- Source Water Specialist (1) – Kristi K.
- Experience – Over 200 years





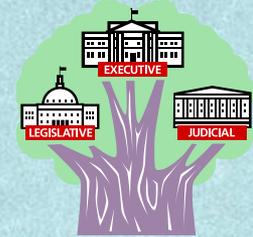
# MRWS Funding

- National Rural Water Association
  - EPA – **NRWA bidding on new contract**
  - Rural Development
  - USDA/Farm Service Agency
- State of Montana
  - Department of Natural Resources
- System Membership
- Associate Membership



# Who Do We Work With?

- ✓ **EPA & DEQ**
- ✓ **State Funding Agencies**
- ✓ **Rural Development**
- ✓ **Montana Env. Training Center**
- ✓ **State, Regional, & US Suppliers**
- ✓ **Engineers and Consultants**
- ✓ **Most Importantly – MT Water & Wastewater Systems**





# Funding Agencies in MT

## MT Dept. of Commerce

- Community Development Block Grant Program, & the
- Treasure State Endowment Program

## MT Dept. of Environmental Quality

- State Revolving Fund Loan Programs



## MT Dept. of Natural Resources and Conservation

- Renewable Resource Grant & Loan Program



## USDA / Rural Development

- "WEP" - Grants & Loans and Planning Grants (see handout)

## MT Board of Investments

- INTERCAP





# MONTANA AT WORK

