

Update on Navajo EPA Public Water systems Supervision Program

# Activities

- Cistern Study
- K-12 Curriculum Development: regulated vs. unregulated water
- Sheep Dip Vats
- Chapter meetings

#### Cistern Study

- Cisterns were installed to serve those families that did not have access to safe water.
- PWSSP in collaboration with the CDC conducted a cistern study to determine potential health risks related to the cisterns .
- Public Education campaign is needed .

# K-12 Curriculum Development

• Provide educational materials regarding drinking water to the teachers of K-12<sup>th</sup> grade students.

Topics include

- Regulated vs unregulated water
- Anthropogenic (Man Made) vs. Natural

# Sheep Dip Vats

- Sheep dip vats were used to treat sheep in the 50's and 60's
- Some sheep dip vats were near drinking water sources (unregulated and regulated sources).
- Locational data and photos have been collected. Comparisons of the sheep dip vats to public water systems will be made using GIS.

# **Attending Chapter Meetings**

- Inform and report on issues relating to potable water to chapters upon request
- Encourage chapters to draft resolutions for access to safe drinking water through watering points or extensions to existing water lines.

Questions