

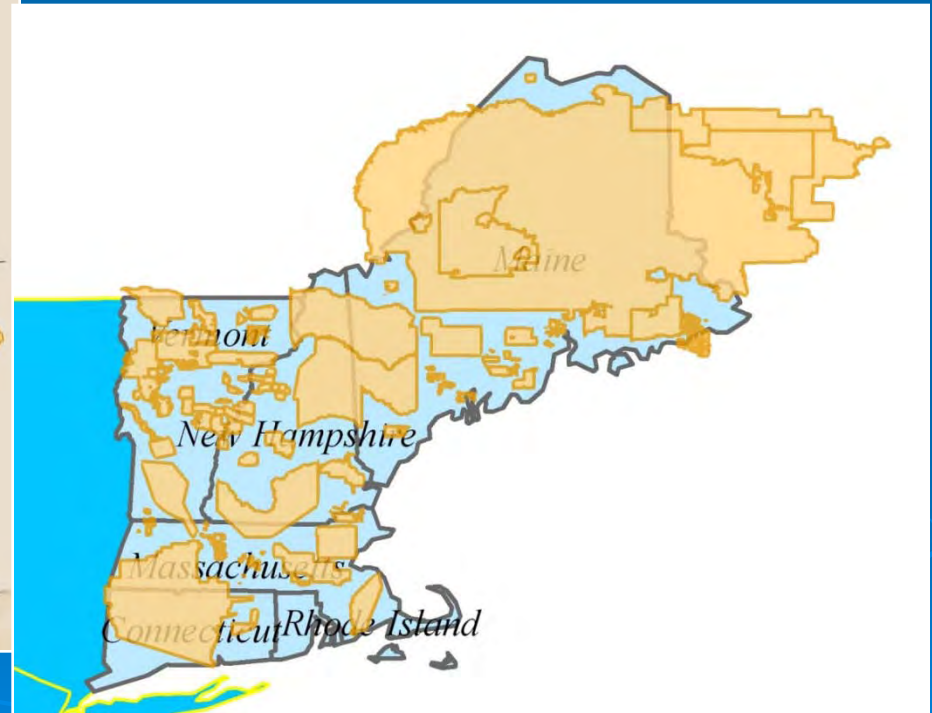
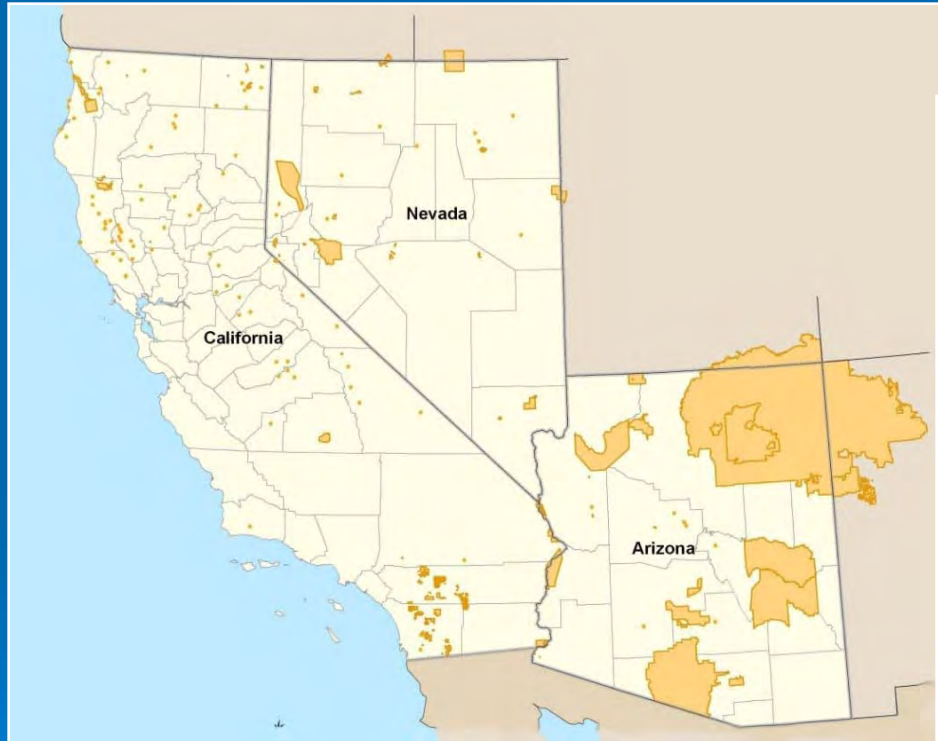
# EPA Region 9 Tribal Water Infrastructure Programs



EPA Annual Tribal Conference  
October 21, 2011  
Pala Band of Mission Indians

# Tribes

147 tribes – Half of all Indian land in U.S.



# EPA Funds for Water Infrastructure



EPA Administrator  
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## Drinking Water

\$19.8M FY 12 proposed

18.9M FY 11

5.0M (FY11 Region 9)

## Wastewater

\$31M FY 12 proposed

30M FY 11

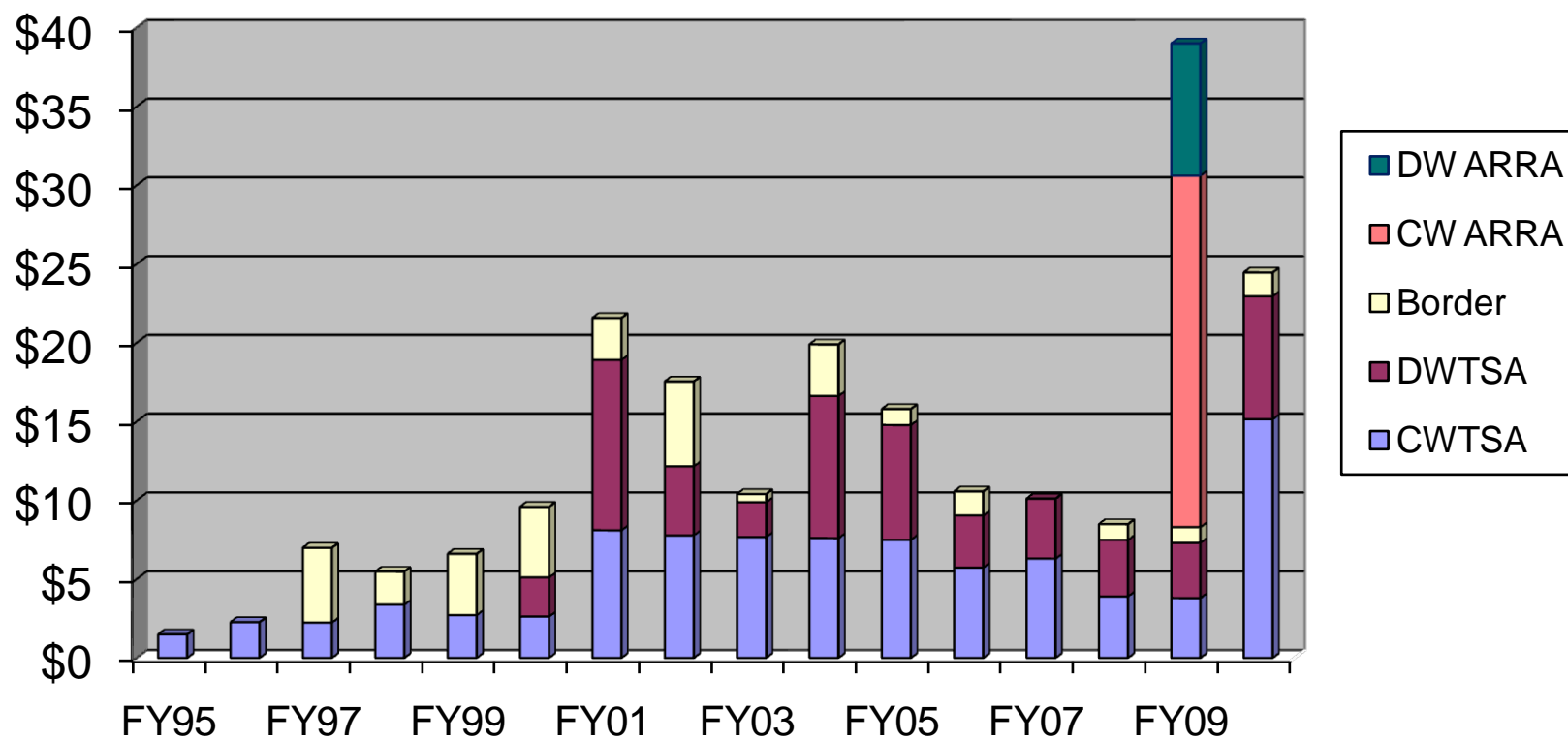
9.5M (FY11 Region 9)

## FY 12 proposed budget includes

- 1.5% to 2% tribal set-aside
- Authority to transfer tribal drinking water and wastewater funds, similar to states

## EPA Region 9 Tribal Water Infrastructure Funds

Millions




# EPA Clean Water Tribal Set-Aside Program



**Tuba City Lagoon System  
Navajo Nation**

# Eligibility Requirements

- All federally recognized tribes are eligible
  - Planning, design and construction of wastewater treatment facilities
  - No matching funds required
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# Project Selection

- No submission of proposals
- Projects selected from the Indian Health Service's Sanitation Deficiency System (SDS) List
- Selected projects are awarded through either an Interagency Agreement with IHS or an EPA direct grant to the tribe



# EPA Drinking Water Tribal Set-Aside Program



**Arsenic Treatment Plant (Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe)**



# FY 12 Solicitation

- No Solicitation this year, due to the significant unfunded needs from last year's solicitation.
- FY12 funds will be awarded to the highest priority unfunded projects from last year's solicitation.
- Next Solicitation will be issued Fall of 2012.

# Eligibility Requirements

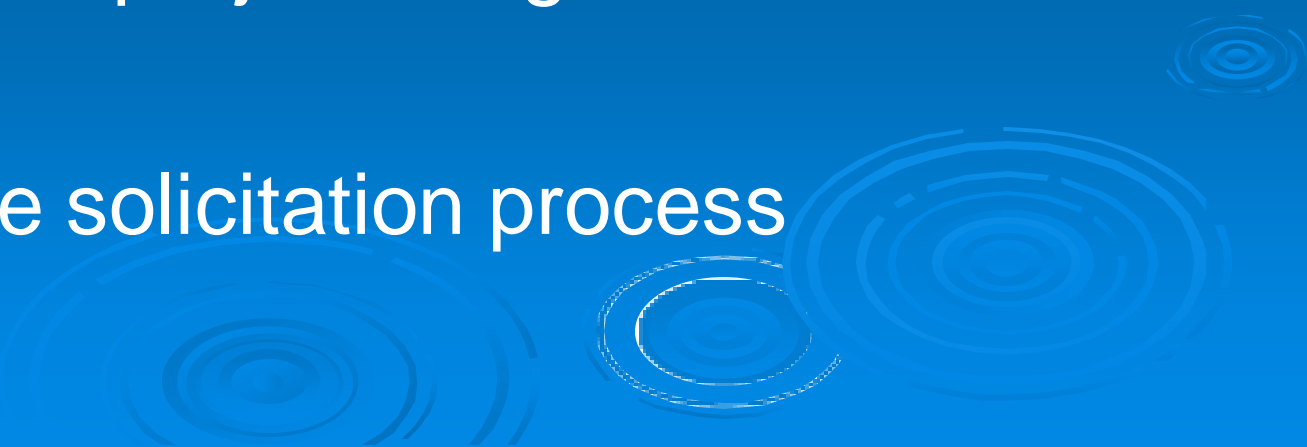
- Public Water Systems serving tribal communities
- Owner/Operator has or will develop adequate technical, managerial, and financial capacity
- System may not be in significant noncompliance with National Primary Drinking Water Rules, unless project brings system into compliance
- Health based ranking criteria

# EPA Tribal Border Infrastructure Program



Drilling drinking water well for the Pauma Band of Mission Indians

# Eligibility Requirements

- For tribal water infrastructure projects within 62 miles north of the U.S. / Mexico Border
  - Wastewater and drinking water infrastructure projects eligible
  - Competitive solicitation process
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