

ARRA Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Project

Project Title: Franklin Sebastian Public Water Authority Water Project

Funding Source: Drinking Water State Revolving Fund

Location: Franklin and Sebastian Counties

Communities Served: Charleston, Lavaca and River South Water District

Description of Project Need: Franklin Sebastian PWA is composed of water systems in Franklin and Sebastian counties, who have a need for water. These systems created Franklin Sebastian PWA as a means of sharing the costs of building a pipeline from Fort Smith to Franklin County. All of these suffered during the drought in 2007 and have a need to supplement their existing water sources. This project provides an affordable way for each of them to gain access to a water source that they could not afford individually.

Description of Project Goal: The project will allow Franklin Sebastian PWA's customers to maintain compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act. It will also provide infrastructure that will last in some cases for the next 40 years. Finally, it will provide construction jobs in an area with high unemployment.

Project Duration:

Solicitation: November 2009

Award: December 2009

Construction Start: January 2010

Construction End: January 2011

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