

WATER DISTRIBUTION POLICY ENFORCEMENT PROCESS



ENFORCEMENT PROCESS

The Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District (MRGCD) Water Distribution Policy is intended to promote the effective, efficient, and equitable distribution of water to non-Pueblo irrigators within the boundaries of the MRGCD.

1. INCIDENT REPORT

The Irrigation Systems Operator (ISO) submits a detailed report, including descriptions, photos, and/or videos documenting the potential violation.

2. SUPERVISOR REVIEW

Staff begins an investigation by reviewing the evidence. The Irrigation Systems Supervisor (ISS) determines whether the evidence is sufficient to proceed, issuing a verbal warning if appropriate or escalating to the next step.

3. MANAGER REVIEW

The Conservation and Water Manager conduct a thorough review of the incident, contact impacted parties, and take action in accordance with policies and procedures.

4. ISSUE NOTICE

Based on the assessment of the incident, a Warning Notice or Notice of Violation may be issued, specifying corrective actions or requirements for the water user. The notice is mailed and formally recorded.

5. APPEALS

Water users may submit a written dispute of the violation notice. A committee reviews the appeal to sustain or reverse the decision. If necessary, the appeal may be escalated to the Board of Directors.