

RCAC Regionalization Process

I. Form Initial Leadership Team

1. Identify Stakeholders

- Other water providers
- Local governments
- Technical assistance providers
- State agencies
- Others

2. Identify **Common Need**

- Old infrastructure
- Funding
- Regulatory Requirements
- Operators
- Baby boom



II. Plan and conduct Kick-off Session

- ④ Identify region
 - Who needs to be involved?
- ④ What are the obstacles?
- ④ What are the benefits?
- ④ What information do we need?
- ④ What is the risk of moving forward?

III. Evaluate Need, Purpose and Intent of Regional Collaboration

Regional Structural Options:

- Mutual Aid Agreement
- Sharing Agreements
- Water Purchase Agreements
- Collaborative Water Resource Development
- Contract Service Agreements
- Consolidation

IV. Establish Initial Steering Committee

Develop a mission statement

- Get agreements from the boards
- Community/ Outreach information

Financing the Committee

- Postage, legal, counsel, etc.

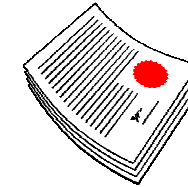


Group Stages:

- Forming
- Storming
- Norming
- Performing

V. Draft Agreement

- MOU/MOA
- JPA



- Non-Profit Entity
 - Regional MDWCA
 - W & SD
 - Water Authority
 - Other

VI Maintain & Implement

- ✚ File for and acquire funding
- ✚ Document program successes
- ✚ Develop organizational documents
 - Bylaws
 - Merger plans
 - Rules
- ✚ Comply with funding requirements