

HOW DO I ... Bid on Regional Pool Program water?

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I know I'm eligible to bid on Regional Pool Program water. What's next?

The Regional Pool Program gives Northeastern Colorado water users a different way to lease C-BT water, even if they are not C-BT unit holders. Here's how to participate in the bidding process when the RPP is in effect.

When should I expect to see RPP water allocated?

- In years when the RPP has been implemented, the Northern Water Board of Directors can allocate water during its meetings from January through September.
- These monthly meetings usually are on the second Friday of each month.



How will I know if the RPP is implemented in a specific water year?

- The easiest way is to register for e-mail updates by sending your name and e-mail address to regionalpool@ncwcd.org.
- Check www.northernwater.org for updates.
- Call 970-532-7700 and ask to be added to the RPP telephone notification list.
- Check for postings in Northern Water's lobby at 220 Water Avenue in Berthoud.

How do I prepare to bid?

Interested bidders must turn in the Regional Pool Program Pre-Approval Form to Northern Water. They can do this either before bidding begins or along with bid submission. The form allows staff to confirm that bidders are eligible to participate in the RPP, so it's best to fill one out ahead of bidding.

What should bids include?

- The Regional Pool Program Bid Form
- The amount of RPP water you desire and your per-acre-foot bid amount
- The pre-approval form (if not already on file)

When are bids due?

If the Board does allocate water, water users will have until 2 p.m. local time five business days after the allocation took place to submit bids, which can either be hand delivered (the recommended method) or mailed.

What will Northern Water do with my bids?

Each sealed envelope will be date- and time-stamped once received, then given

a bid number. Bid number and amounts/ prices of bids will be open to the public, but bidders' names will not.

How do I know the results?

- Bids will be opened in a public forum at about 2:10 p.m. on the day they were due.
- Staff will award (pending any eligibility checks) the water based on the highest per-acre-foot bids. Winners will find out within five business days and will have 10 days to pay Northern Water the bid amount.

What is the best way to ensure my bid application is accepted?

Read the official Regional Pool Program Procedures! Sign up for updates at regionalpool@ncwcd.org and Northern Water will e-mail you the procedures when they are finalized.

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