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# NISP Fact Sheet

**“NISP provides for and meets the needs of the state of Colorado...”**

- U.S. Senator Cory Gardner

“NISP will provide the much-needed water source for multiple parties, while maintaining the integrity and beauty of our resources, a win-win situation for both the Ag community and northern Front Range cities and towns.”

- Colorado Farm Bureau

“Quite simply, storing water for the future through NISP is critical.”

- Coloradoan editorial

“Glade will help us save for a not-so-rainy day.”

- Headline Greeley Tribune

“Fort Morgan officials are to be applauded for once again having the foresight to get involved in a long-range water project that will ensure a secure, safe and reliable water supply off good-quality water for the city.”

- Fort Morgan Times editorial

“Our state – and Northern Colorado – faces a water shortage as the population grows. The Northern Integrated Supply project, in tandem with other efforts, is key to solving that problem.”

- Coloradoan editorial

## NISP Permitting Moves Forward

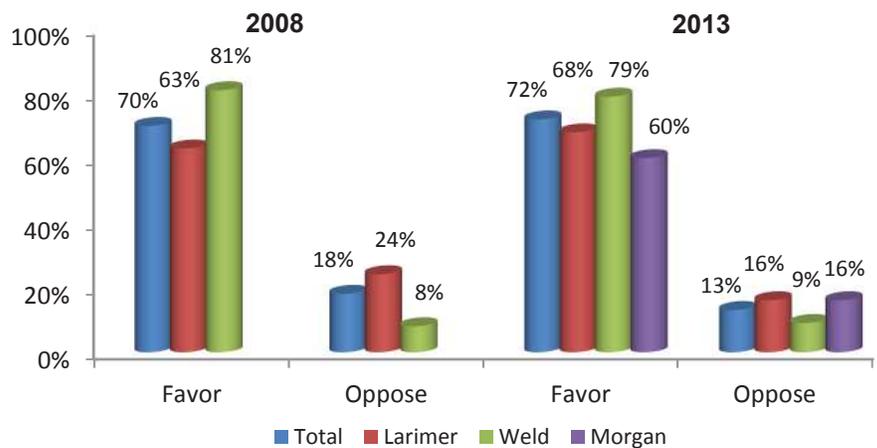
The Northern Integrated Supply Project, designed to meet the region’s water demands has undergone two rounds of extensive federal permitting review, and has recently reached another milestone.

The Army Corps of Engineers released the NISP supplemental draft EIS June 19, following detailed study and analysis of project alternatives. This capped a process that began in Spring 2004 and anticipates construction of both Glade and Galeton reservoirs. Together, they will provide 40,000 acre-feet of water annually to 15 northern Front Range water providers.

NISP will store some of the nearly 3 million acre-feet of water that has left Colorado within the South Platte Basin since 2009.

NISP has received more than 100 endorsements throughout Colorado and has attracted significant public support. Endorsements range from elected officials and agricultural organizations to newspaper editorial boards, business groups, and community groups.

### NISP Maintains Support of Super Majority of Northern Colorado Voters – 72%



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## NISP Participants:

4 water districts  
11 cities and town serving  
200,000 people

- Dacono
- Eaton
- Erie
- Evans
- Firestone
- Fort Lupton
- Fort Morgan
- Frederick
- Lafayette
- Severance
- Windsor
- Central Weld County Water District
- Fort Collins-Loveland Water District
- Left Hand Water District
- Morgan County Quality Water District

## NISP Components:

- Two off-stream reservoirs
- 40,000 acre-feet annual yield
- Two water pump stations
- Associated pipelines

## Estimated cost:

- \$600 million

## South Platte Water Conservation Project (Galeton Reservoir)

Galeton Reservoir would be located east of Ault and northeast of Greeley. It would store about 45,600 acre-feet of water at full capacity. The water to fill Galeton would be diverted from the South Platte River downstream from Greeley at high-flow times. Galeton water would be delivered to two agricultural irrigation companies in exchange for a portion of the Poudre River water they currently use.

More than half of NISP's planned diversion from the Poudre River includes water that has already been diverted for decades, and also employs the use of existing infrastructure whenever possible.

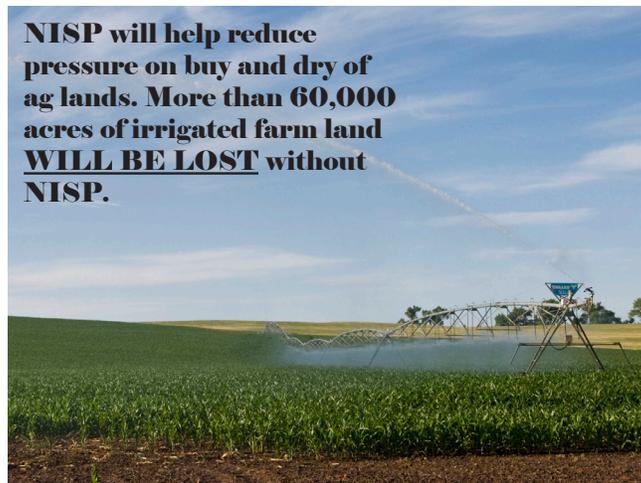
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## Glade Reservoir

Glade Reservoir would be located northwest of Fort Collins near the intersection of U.S. Highway 287 and State Highway 14. It would be 5 miles long, 260 feet deep and have the capacity to store 170,000 acre-feet of water, slightly larger than Horsetooth Reservoir. The water to fill Glade Reservoir would be diverted from the Poudre River at high-flow times using the already existing Poudre Valley Canal near the canyon mouth. There will be no new structures on the river. U.S. Highway 287 between Fort Collins and Wyoming divides the proposed Glade Reservoir site. Therefore, about seven miles of the highway would be relocated to the east.

**More than 1.9 million acre-feet of water has left Colorado over and above the legal requirements to Nebraska in 2015.**



**NISP will help reduce pressure on buy and dry of ag lands. More than 60,000 acres of irrigated farm land WILL BE LOST without NISP.**