



The Project included the purchase of water rights for use under the Subdistrict's Annual Replacement Plan. Water pumped under the purchased rights is transported through a pipeline which allows for augmentation directly into Saguache Creek.



Project Description

The Rio Grande Water Conservation District, Special Improvement District Number 5 (Subdistrict No. 5) purchased agricultural water rights associated with four irrigation wells historically used for center pivot irrigation by North Star Farms. The Subdistrict will use these water rights as a source of augmentation water, which is required under Subdistrict's Annual Replacement Plan due to groundwater pumping within the Subdistrict. The Subdistrict currently serves approximately 246 wells within the Subdistrict's boundaries.

In addition to the purchase of water rights, under the Project the Subdistrict also installed a new groundwater well to pump the water at a location better suited for augmentation. Construction included approximately 725 feet of pipeline to allow for delivery of the augmentation water directly into Saguache Creek.

P R O J E C T D A T A		
<i>Sponsor:</i> Rio Grande Water Conservation District - Subdistrict No. 5	<i>County:</i> Saguache	<i>Water Source:</i> Saguache Creek
<i>Type of Project:</i> Water Right Purchase	<i>Board Approval Date:</i> March 2021	
<i>Loan Terms:</i> 30yrs @ 1.20% (Original) \$4,892,440 (Amended) \$6,080,200 (Final) \$6,079,509.41		
<i>Design Engineer:</i> Davis Engineering		
<i>Contractor:</i> Cooper Drilling & Robbins Construction		