

USING ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS TO SUPPORT DRINKING WATER AND WASTEWATER SYSTEMS

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OVERVIEW

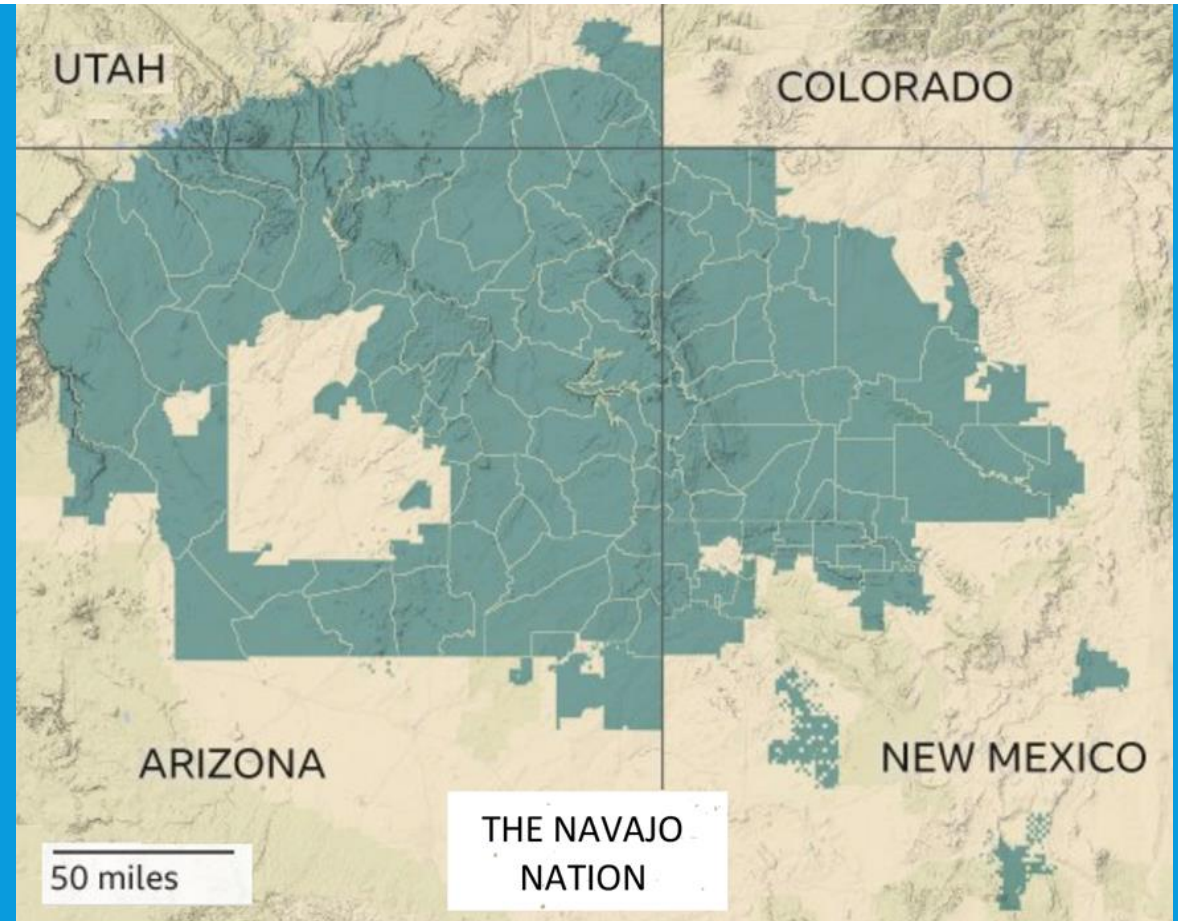
- Examples of how enforcement actions can support improvements to wastewater and drinking water systems
 - Navajo Tribal Utility Authority
 - Hopi Tribe communities

NAVAJO TRIBAL UTILITY AUTHORITY

Consent Decree

BACKGROUND

- NTUA operates wastewater facilities on the Navajo Nation
- Long history of non-compliance
 - 2016 AOCs
 - Compliance Assistance
- Started negotiation of Consent Decree in September 2022
- Lodged CD January 2024, Public Comment ends March 8, 2024



CONSENT DECREE

- Injunctive Relief
 - Short term improvements to current WWTFs
 - Long term replacement of WWTFs
 - Study of collection system
 - Internal improvements
- Cost to replace
 - Funding sources



BENEFITS OF CONSENT DECREE

- Better coordination internally at EPA Region 9 office, EPA HQ office, and with other Federal Agencies
 - Communication between Region 9 Divisions
 - Communication with EPA HQ
 - Communication with other Federal Agencies



BENEFITS OF A CONSENT DECREE

Naaltsoos Tó Chxq'í Bąąh Haaleel T'áá Aníigo Bee Baa Hane'í

Ha'at'iish t'áá yil nüigo wastewater ní?

Wastewater éi tó chxq'í át'é, tó chooz'iidígíí át'é. Dahooghandéé' dóo nida'anishgo bil nahaz'ánidéé' tá'adazdigisgo, tó chąą', da'iigisgo, dóo ásaá' táadaagisgo tó aheleelígíí át'é. Tó chxq'í éi díí ch'iyáán, chąą' dóo taláwosh aheleelígíí dabitah.

Nighandóo tó chxq'í aheleelígíí shą' haadaane'?

Tó chxq'í nighandóo dóo nida'anish bil nahaz'ąądóo aheleelígíí éi leeyi'di bá nida'azáhígíí bii' danilí niléi Tó Chxq'í Bąąh Ha'aheel bil Nahaz'ąągóo. Tó chxq'í bąąh haaleel bil nahaz'ánígíí éi t'áá dikwíigo shíí alkéé' dahoni'ąągo tó bąąh haaleelígíí yee yinidaalnishgo inda éi bi'iilníh.

Ha'at'iish biniiyé éi tó chxq'í bąąh hahaleel?

Tó chxq'í éi t'áá ha'at'iishíí doo yá'adaat'éhígíí bil tahígíí díí bila' ashda'ii, naaldlooshii, dóo táht'áadii hinánígíí doo bá ya'at'éeh da. Tó Chxq'í Bąąh Hahaleel bil Nahaz'ánígíí éi díí t'áá ha'at'iishíí doo yá'adaat'éhígíí biltahígíí dóo t'áá ha'at'iishíí danit'izgo biltahígíí bąąh haaleelgo inda niléi tó danilígóo bi'iilníh, áko bila' ashda'ii dóo naaldlooshii chonáayool'íh.



Better Community Engagement

- More resources
 - Translation
 - Interpretation
- More opportunities for community to comment



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DRINKING WATER ENFORCEMENT

HOPI CULTURAL CENTER

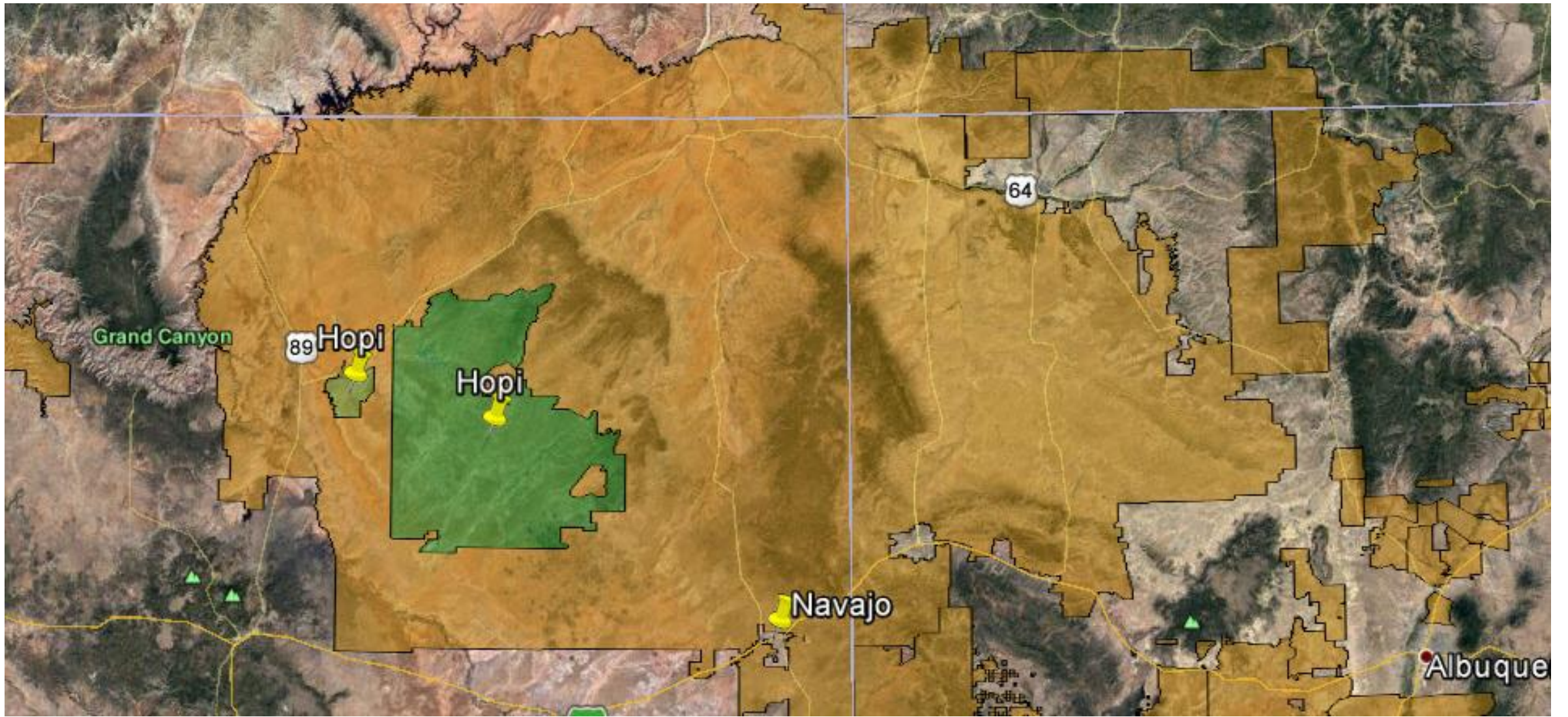
**FOUR VILLAGE COMMUNITY WATER
SYSTEMS**

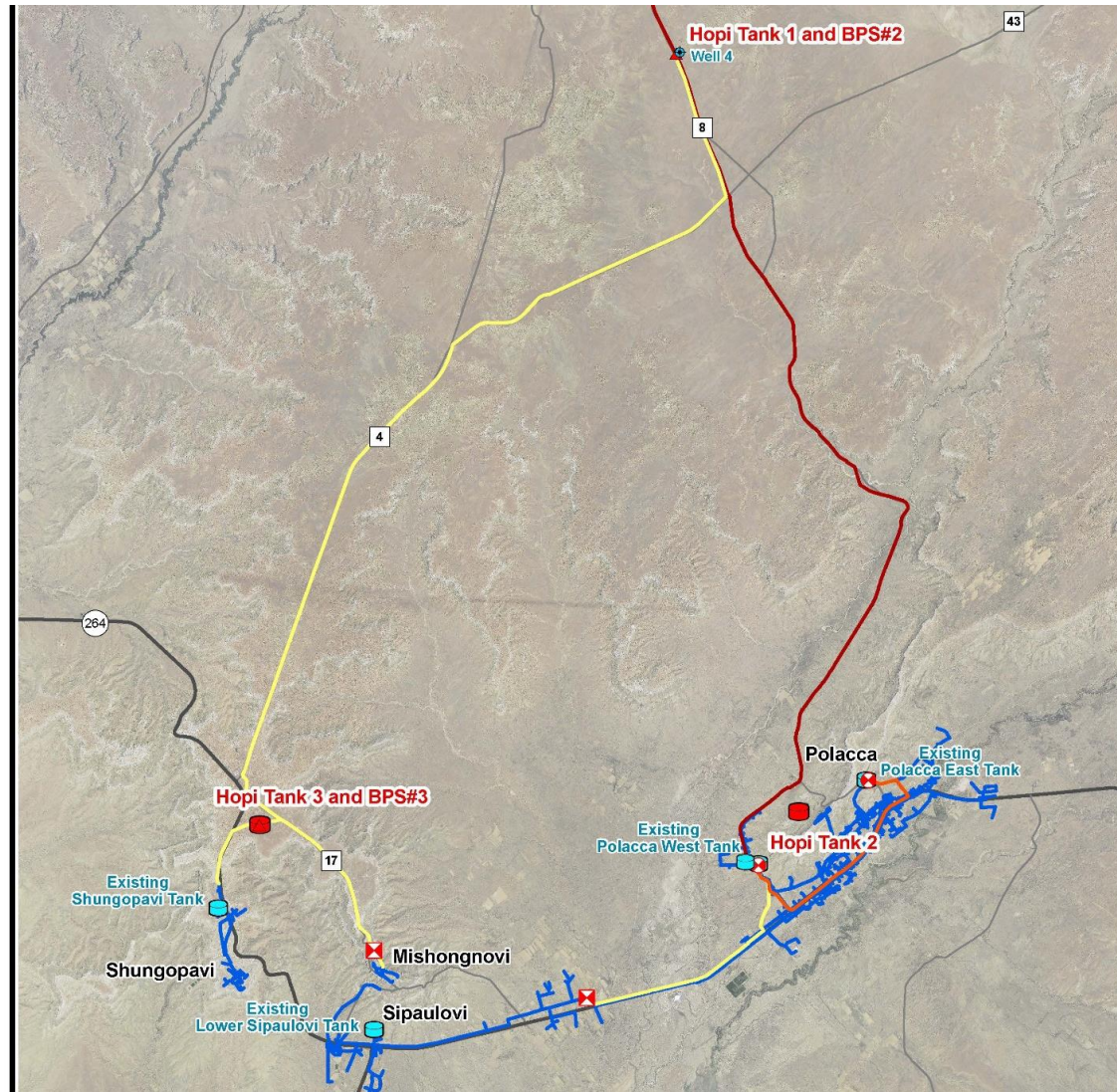
THE HOPI TRIBE

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HOPI PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS TO CONNECT TO HAMP

First Mesa Consolidated Villages (FMCV) or “Polacca”
PWS ID# 0400106

- Population Served: 3917;
- 496 connections

Sipaulovi
(Lower Sipaulovi/Lower Mishongnovi)
PWS ID# 0400107

- Population Served: 523;
- 113 connections

Mishongnovi
(Upper Sipaulovi/Upper Mishongnovi)
PWS ID# 0400394

- Population Served 450;
- 24 connections

Shungopavi
PWS ID# 0400259

- Population Served 1500;
- 275 connections

Hopi Cultural Center (NCNTWS)
PWS ID# 0400260

- Population Served 25;
- 1 Connection

COMPLIANCE STATUS

First Mesa Consolidated Villages “FMCV” “Polacca” PWS

- AO issued October 3, 2018
- Compliance Plan submitted January 3, 2019
- HAMP completed August 2022
- Warning Letter issued December 13, 2023
- Interim Connection December 29, 2023

Shungopavi Village PWS

- AO issued October 3, 2018
- Compliance Plan submitted January 9, 2019
- HAMP completed August 2022
- Warning Letter issued December 13, 2023
- Interim Connection December 28, 2023



QUESTIONS?

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