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The Upper Arkansas Water Conservancy District, through its plan of augmentation, has available for purchase replacement water, which may be used to apply for permits or approvals from the State Water Engineer to: (1) drill new wells; (2) expand use of existing wells; (3) replace pond evaporation or (4) for water use from surface diversions. Augmentation replenishes stream depletions caused from consumption by water use. The purchase of a augmentation replacement water does not guarantee that your well or structure will produce water and is not a substitute for a well permit or approval, which must be issued by the State Engineer's Office.

Other types of replacement water purchases can be made, such as non-permanent uses for pond evaporation. Inquire at the District office about these other programs.

Augmentation replacement water is available for areas within a defined "Blue Line" in Western Fremont County and Chaffee County. The defined area is described on a map available for viewing in the Upper Arkansas Water Conservancy District offices at 339 East Hwy 50, Salida, Colorado, from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon and 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm, Monday thru Friday.

The "Base Unit" of augmentation to be offered is 0.10-acre feet. Based upon engineering calculations and the court decree, a typical base unit authorizes domestic household use and irrigation of approximately 1,400 square feet of lawn. The base unit price and other fees are set forth in the chart below. A fee is required by the State for a "new" well permit/approval. The well permit fee will be collected at the time you apply for a new well permit or for the upgrade of an existing well.

Typical one Unit Cost (Fees approved Jan. 2012)

	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Augmentation Application Fee	1 (Structure)	\$200.00
*Annual Storage & Maintenance Fee	1 =	\$165.00
Augmentation Water Fee	1 =	<u>\$3,850.00</u>
	Total	\$4,215.00

\* Annual Maintenance & Storage Fee charged by the calendar year

(Note: all prices set forth herein above are subject to change by the UAWCD)

Upon approval by the Colorado State Engineer's office of any augmented structure(s) for which augmentation application is made or one year from the date of application, whichever occurs first, the augmentation water fee shall no longer be refundable. All application, storage and maintenance charges are non-refundable. The augmentation water fee may become non-refundable prior to approval of the State Engineer. If the property (or in the case of a subdivision of property, the tract or lot) is transferred to another owner, the UAWCD must be promptly notified in writing (with a copy of the Warranty Deed and a \$25.00 Ownership Transfer Fee).

Please return this application to the UAWCD office along with a copy of your existing well permit/decrees/approvals, a copy of your Warranty Deed showing property ownership and the appropriate fee. If seeking a new permit, a precise location of the proposed well must accompany the application.

Your check or money order needs to be made out to the Upper Arkansas Water Activity Enterprise (UAWAE) for the entire amount. If you have any questions please feel free to call us at 719-539-5425.