

# What is the potential for funding? Congressional Activity

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# Presentation Outline

1. Administration Request
2. Congressional Feedback
3. Status and Timeline



# President's Request

\$2.5 million in FY 2013 to:

1. Begin NGWMN implementation
2. Expand climate response network
3. Begin steps toward brackish aquifer assessment



# Details of President's Request

1. Provide for NGWMN mgmt
2. Move to production portal
3. ID monitoring locations
4. Add data
5. Incorporate state/local wells and springs
6. Establish natl prg board

# Congressional Feedback

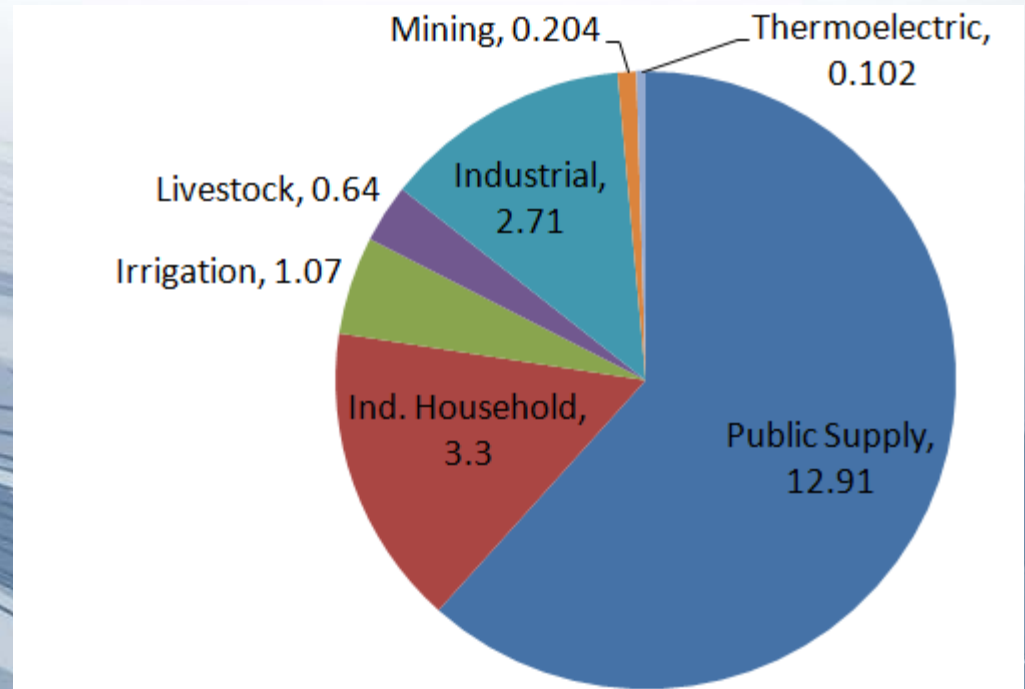
- ✓ Important topic
- ✓ Federal interest
- ✓ Leveraging helps all



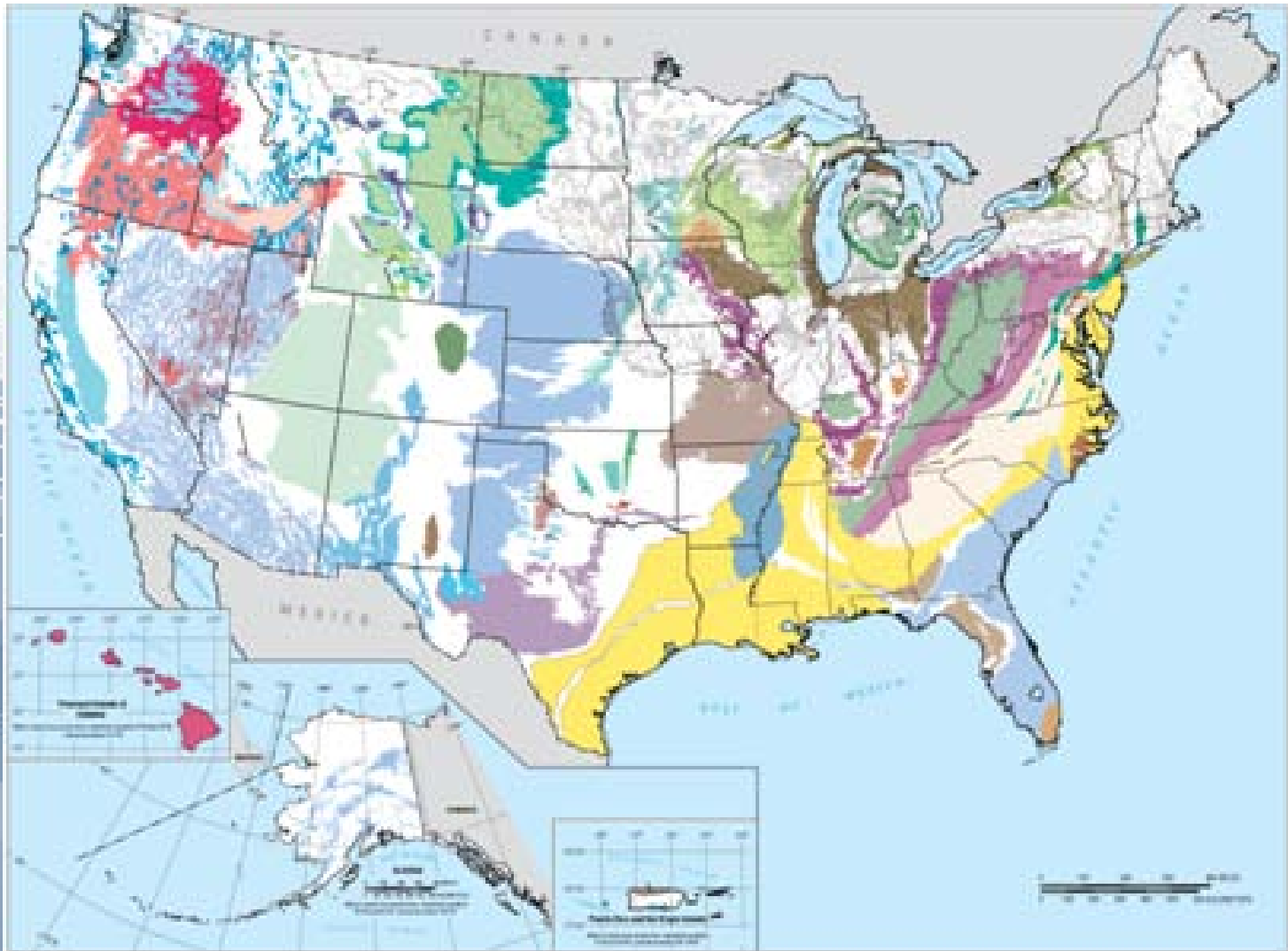
# Important to Nation

- Estimated value of produced groundwater
  - \$ 20.9 Billion (Year 2004 estimates)
- Estimated value of Groundwater-related Infrastructure
  - \$75 Billion (Year 2003 estimates)

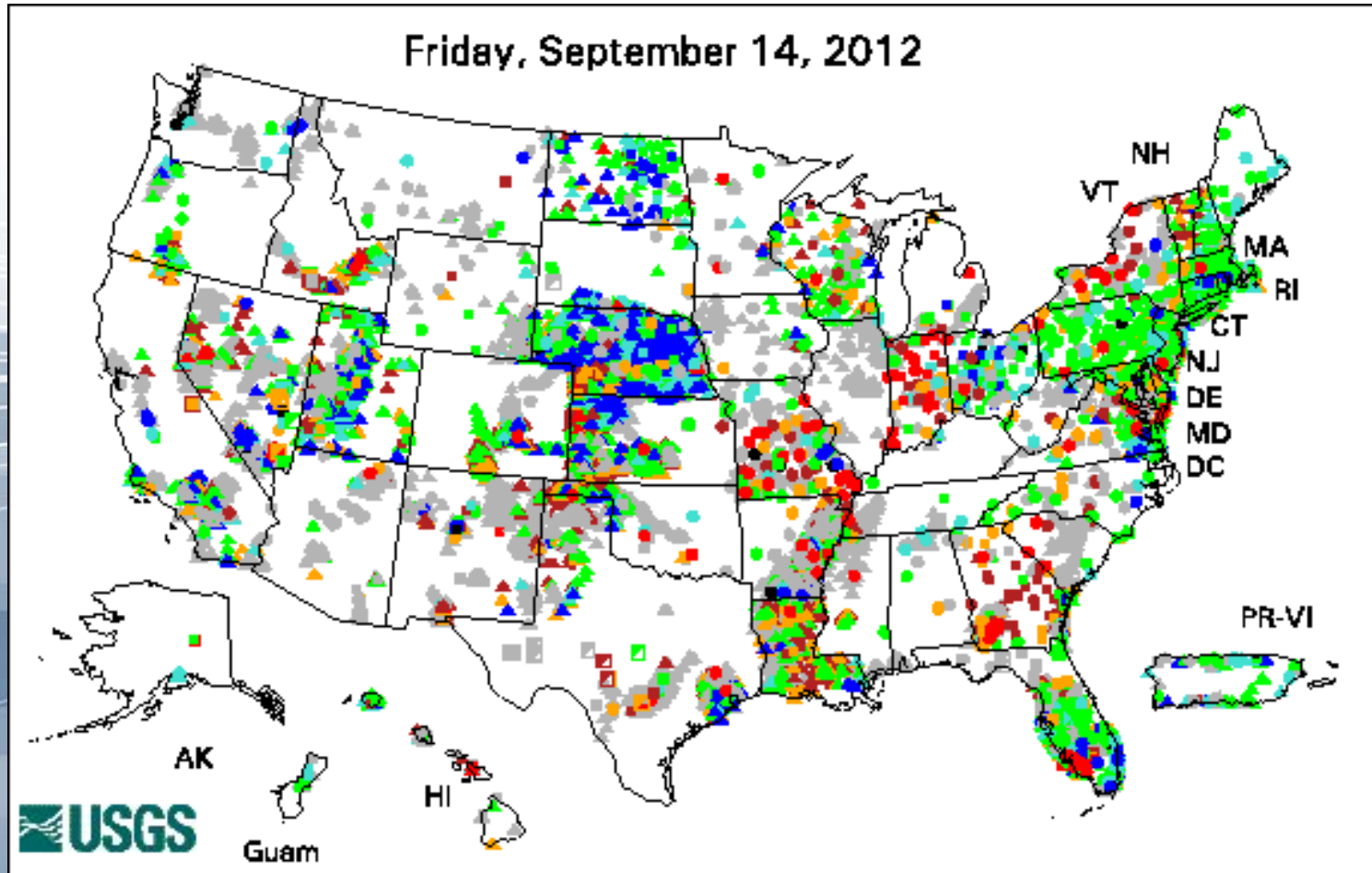
Groundwater Infrastructure	
WUG	Value (Billion USD)
Public Supply	3.73
Ind. Household	64.31
Irrigation	6.00



# Crosses State Lines



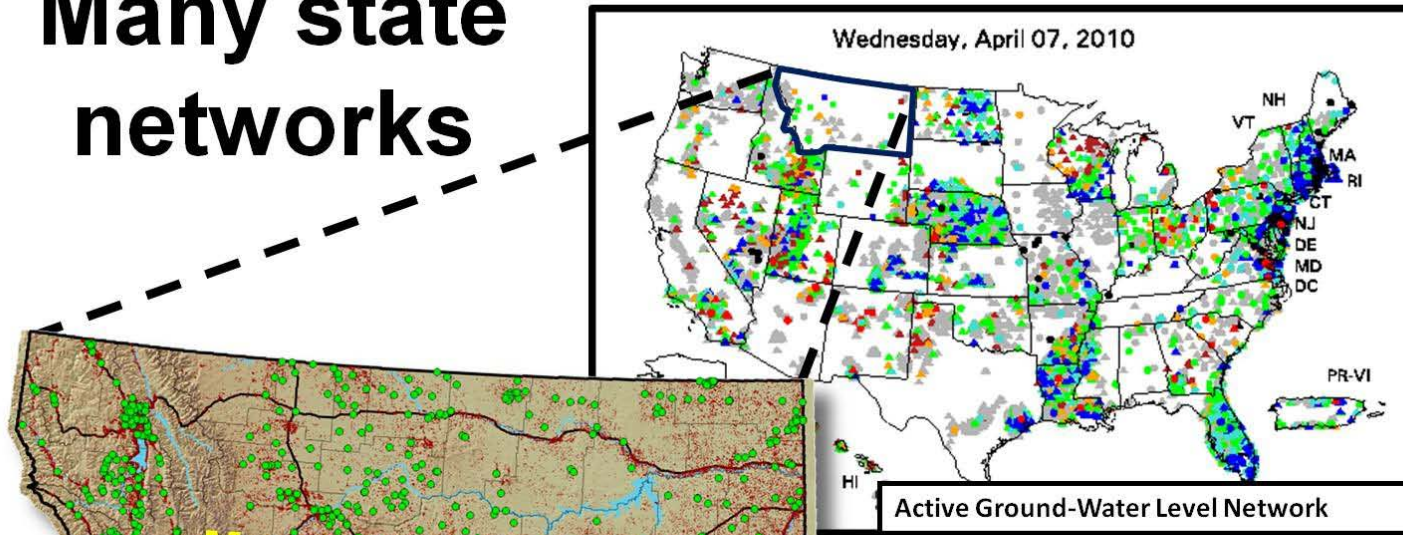
# Data Missing at National Level





# States Can Help

**Many state  
networks**



**Montana: 930± wells**

**To fill in the national  
picture, wells from  
state networks like  
Montana's could**

**be included in a NGWMN; dependent on national aquifer,  
period of record, long-term accessibility, availability of  
well construction details, etc.**

# Leveraging Resources

## NGWA Requested Funding for:

- Grants to states (important to Congressional supporters as well)
- USGS for mgmt and portal

# Timeline and Status

5/28 Com  
action

10/1 new yr

1/2  
sequestration

9/13 House  
passes CR

11/6 election

3/27 CR ends

# Thank you

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