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Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program

Saskatchewan Association of Watersheds

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- The Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program (FRWIP) was announced May 1, 2008, to develop long-term secure water supplies in drought designated regions of Southwest Saskatchewan.
- The Program was developed by a producer advisory committee, together with representatives of PFRA, the Saskatchewan Watershed Authority, and the Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture.
- On June 19, 2008, the federal government announced an additional \$9 million to the program under Agri-Recovery.



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Three Components

- Emergency Water Supply Projects
- On-farm Projects
- Community Well Projects



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On-farm Component

- Eligible Applicant
 - farmers and ranchers in the designated drought region
- Grant up to 65 per cent of eligible costs



Eligible Projects

- Small diameter and large diameter on-farm wells
- Shallow-buried pasture pipelines
- Deep-buried pipelines (max \$60,000 grant)
- Dugouts



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Community Well Component

- Eligible Applicant
 - Rural Municipalities in the designated drought region
- Grant up to 85 per cent of eligible costs



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- **Eligible Projects**

- Community wells for non-potable water
- Pumping Stations



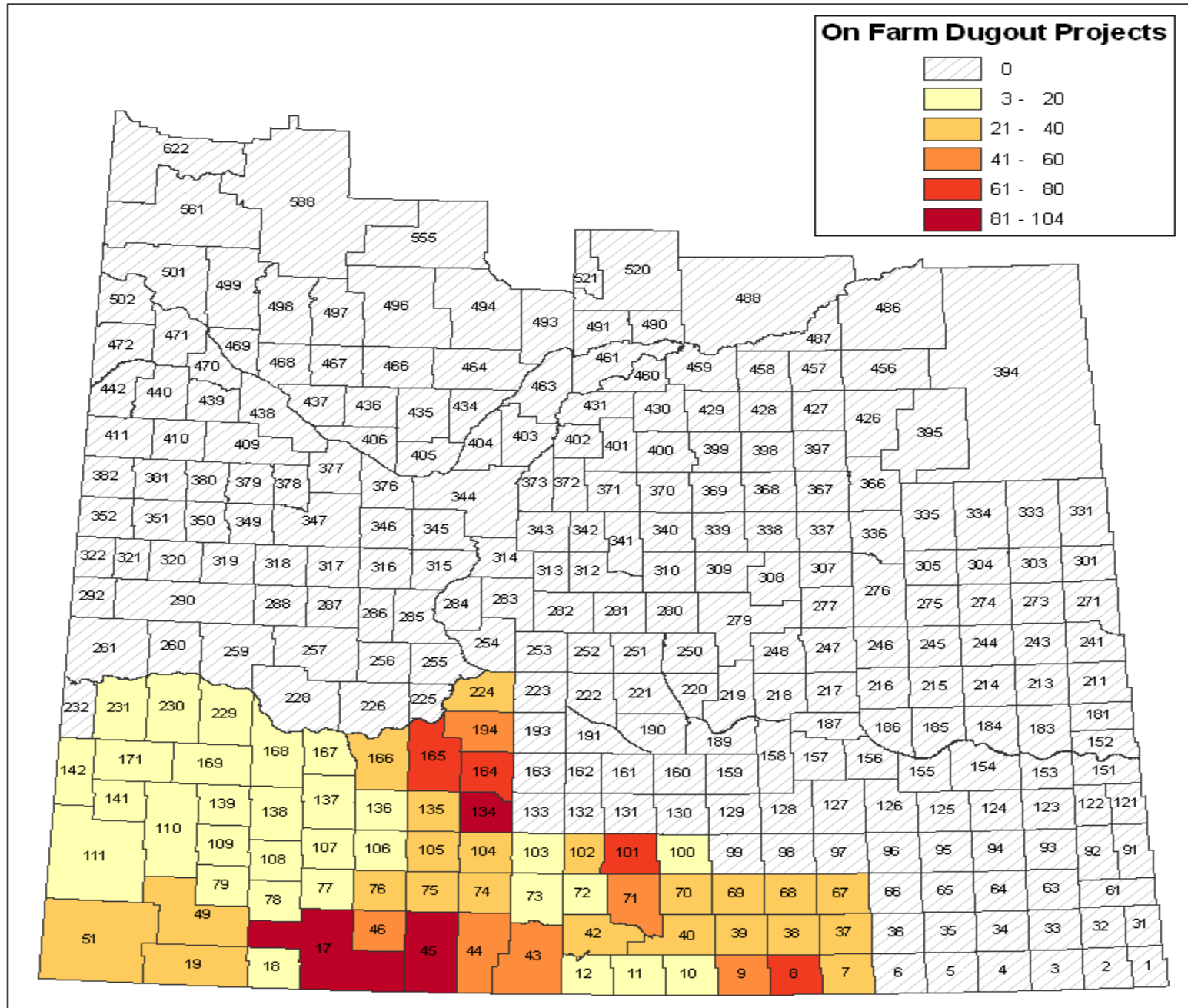
Important Dates

- Application Deadline
 - **December 3, 2008**
- Project Completion Deadline
 - **October 31, 2010**
- Cost submission Deadline
 - **November 30, 2010**

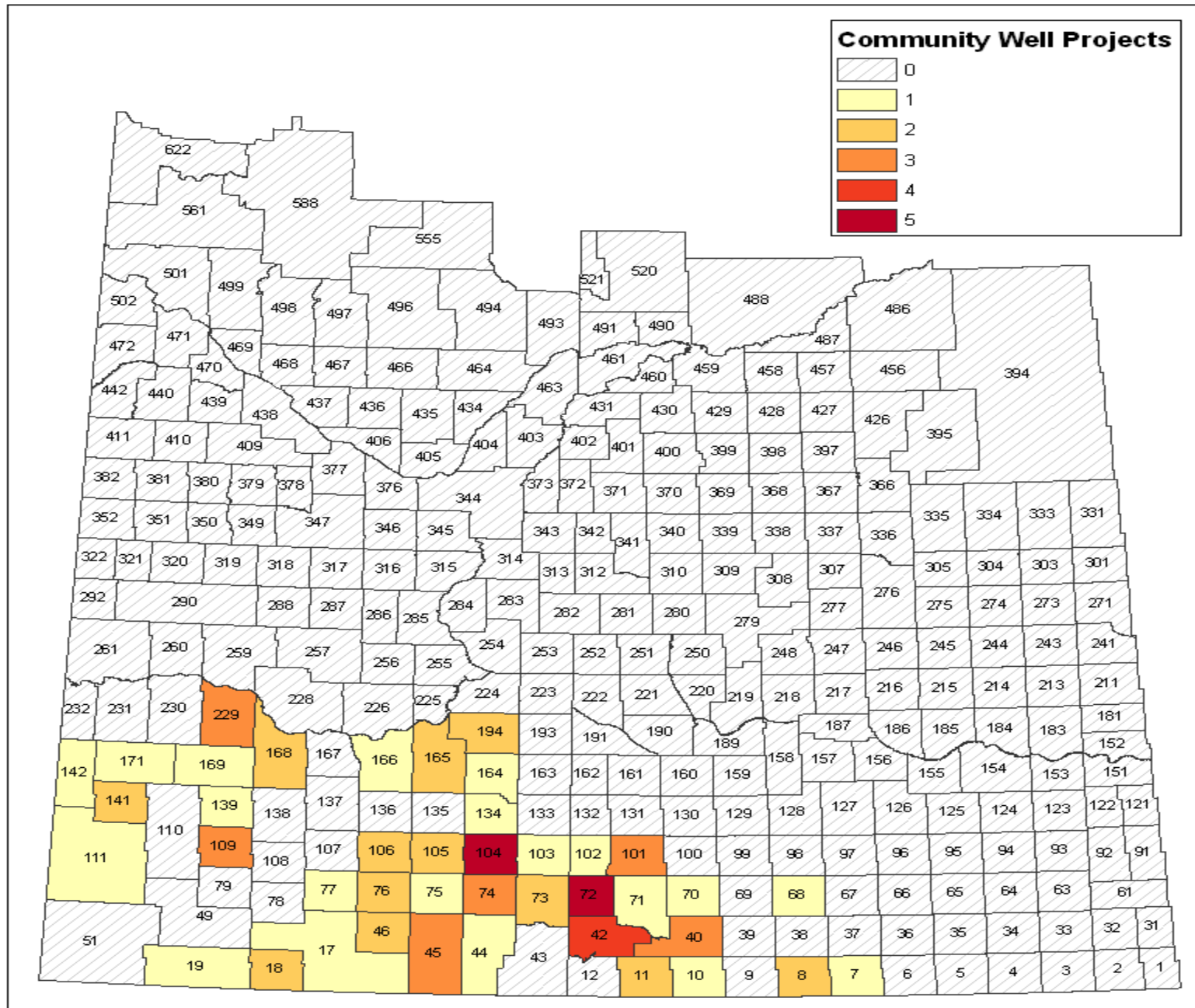
Targeted FRWIP Stats

PROGRAM YEAR	PROJECT TYPE	TOTAL PROJECTS	TOTAL PAID AMOUNT
2008	Dugout	990	\$3,012,837.20
2008	Large Well	227	\$1,835,956.00
2008	Small Well	184	\$3,363,050.76
2008	Pipeline	127	\$974,799.33
2008	Other	90	\$2,766,806.46
	Totals	1618	\$11,953,449.75

On Farm Dugout Projects - 2008



Community Well Projects - 2008





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- The Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program (FRWIP) will be continued under Growing Forward and will be available to farmers, ranchers, Rural Municipalities and Indian Bands across Saskatchewan.
- \$52.8M funding available for the four year program.



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Two Components

- On-farm Projects
- Community Well Projects



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On-farm Component

- Eligible Applicant
 - Farmers, ranchers and Indian Bands located Saskatchewan.
- Grant up to 50 per cent of eligible costs



Eligible Projects

- Small diameter and large diameter on-farm wells
- Shallow-buried pasture pipelines
- Deep-buried pipelines
- Dugouts
- Development of non-potable water for agricultural use
- Maximum grant to eligible applicants for on farm projects is \$60,000.



On-farm Component

- Eligible Costs

- Groundwater exploration
- Well drilling and construction
- Screening
- Pumps
- Pipe and installation for shallow pipelines
- Installation costs and subscription fees for deep-buried pipelines
- Storage tanks (minimum 1000 gal) associated with a well or pipeline
- Dugout construction costs including fencing and pumps



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Community Well Component

- Eligible Applicant
 - Rural Municipalities and Indian Bands located in Saskatchewan
- Grant up to two thirds of eligible costs
- Maximum grant \$150,000



- **Eligible Projects**
 - Community wells and pumping stations for non-potable water
- **Eligible Costs**
 - Groundwater exploration
 - Well drilling and construction
 - Screening
 - Power installation
 - Pumps/pipes
 - Buildings associated with the well



- Water storage facilities (underground tanks minimum 1,000 gals)
- Loading facilities/equipment
- Access
 - Rights of way
 - Road construction
 - Application and registration fees
- Consultant fees
 - Hydrologist
 - Project design

Application Process

- FRWIP is delivered by the Ministry of Agriculture – Financial Programs Branch
- Applicants apply for project approval
- Claim for reimbursement of percentage of eligible costs is made after the project is completed and invoices paid.



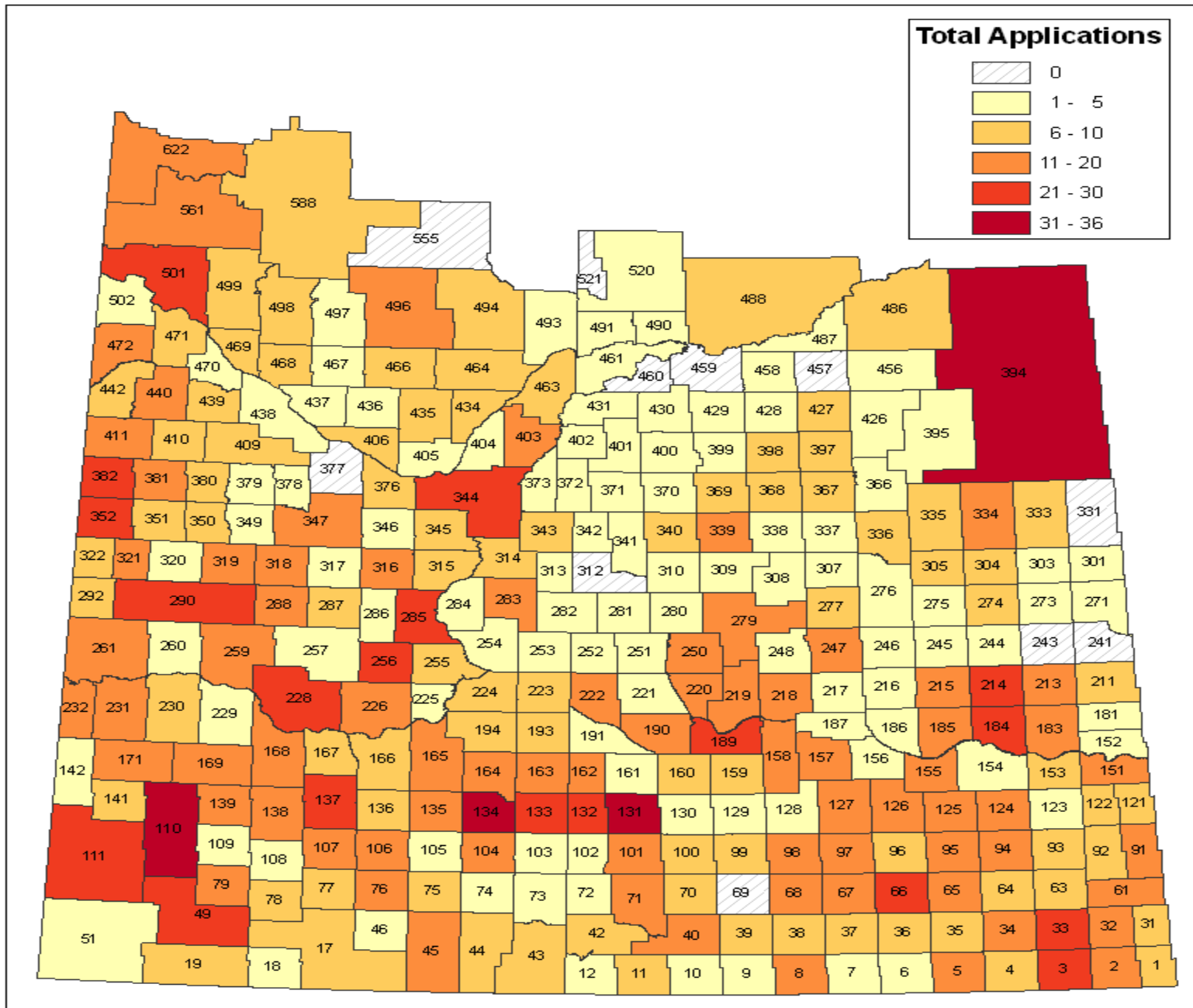
Important Dates

- Project Initiation Date
 - **March 18, 2009**
- Project Completion Deadline
 - **18 months from project approval**
- Cost submission Deadline
 - **24 months from project approval**

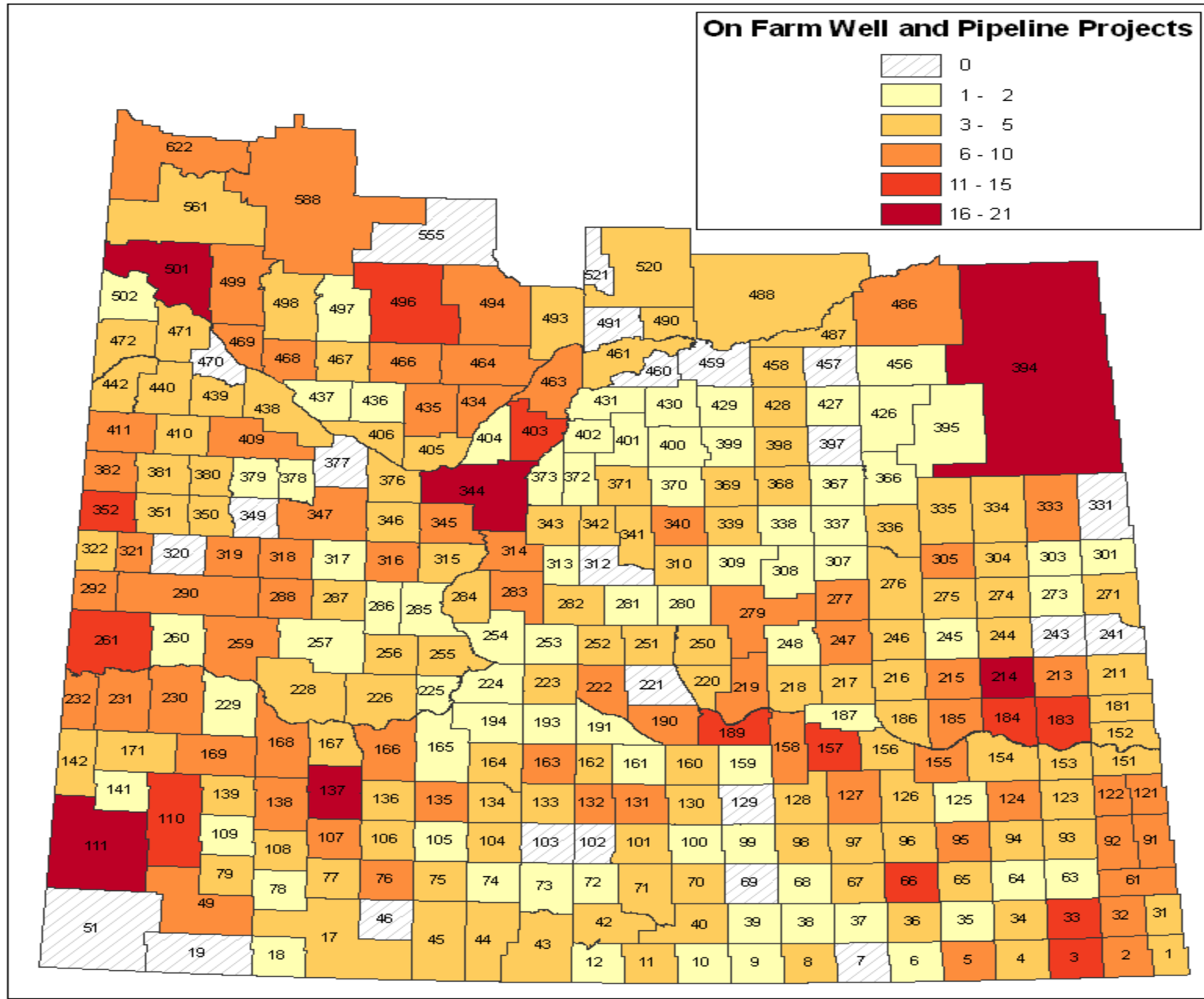
Provincial FRWIP Stats

PROGRAM YEAR	PROJECT TYPE	TOTAL PROJECTS	TOTAL PAID AMOUNT
2009	Dugout	718	\$1,867,156.66
2009	Large Well	145	\$696,705.89
2009	Small Well	251	\$1,775,423.92
2009	Pipeline	102	\$781,740.26
2009	Other	4	\$125,105.26
	Totals	1220	\$5,246,131.99

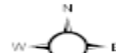
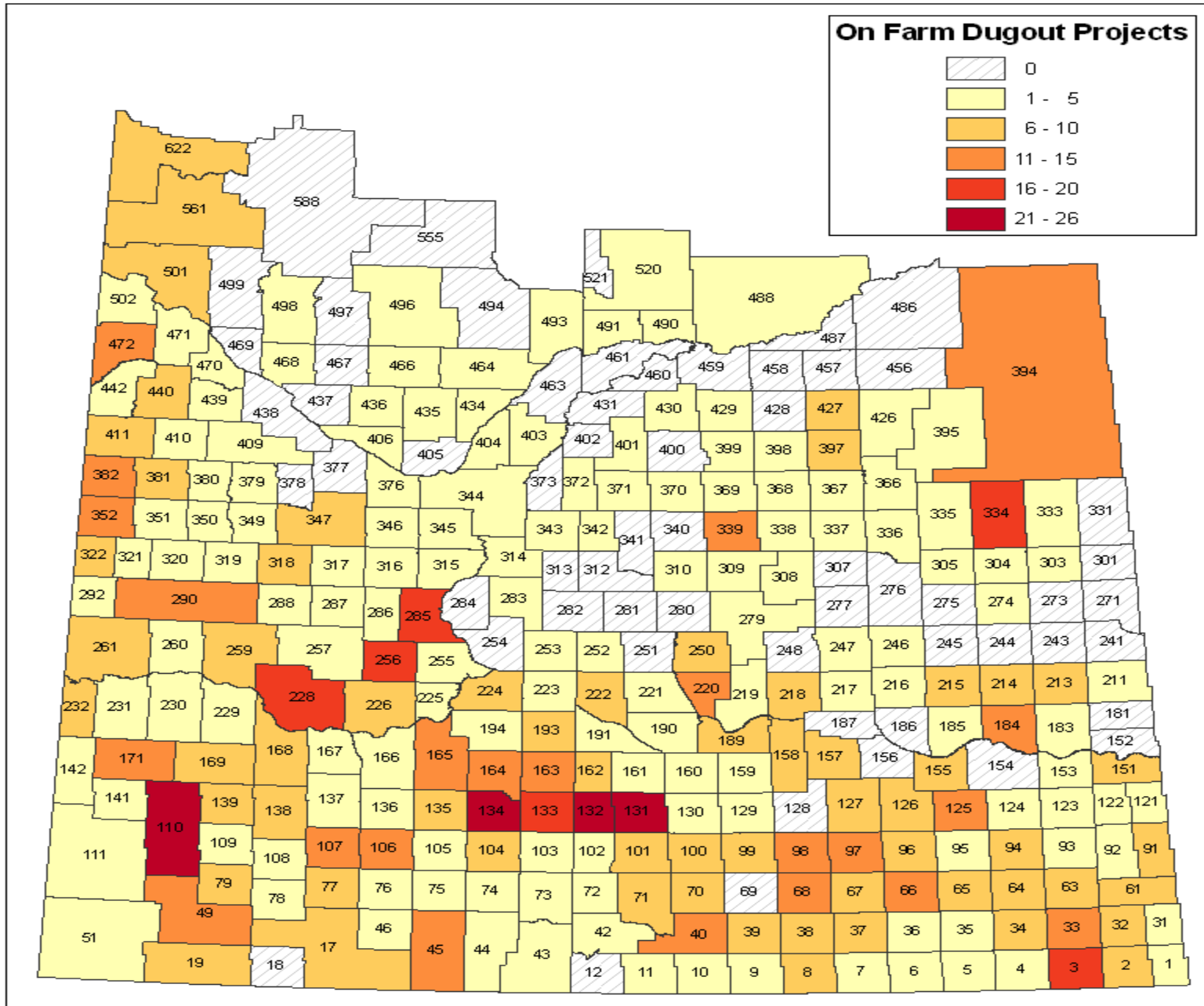
Total Applications by RM - 2009



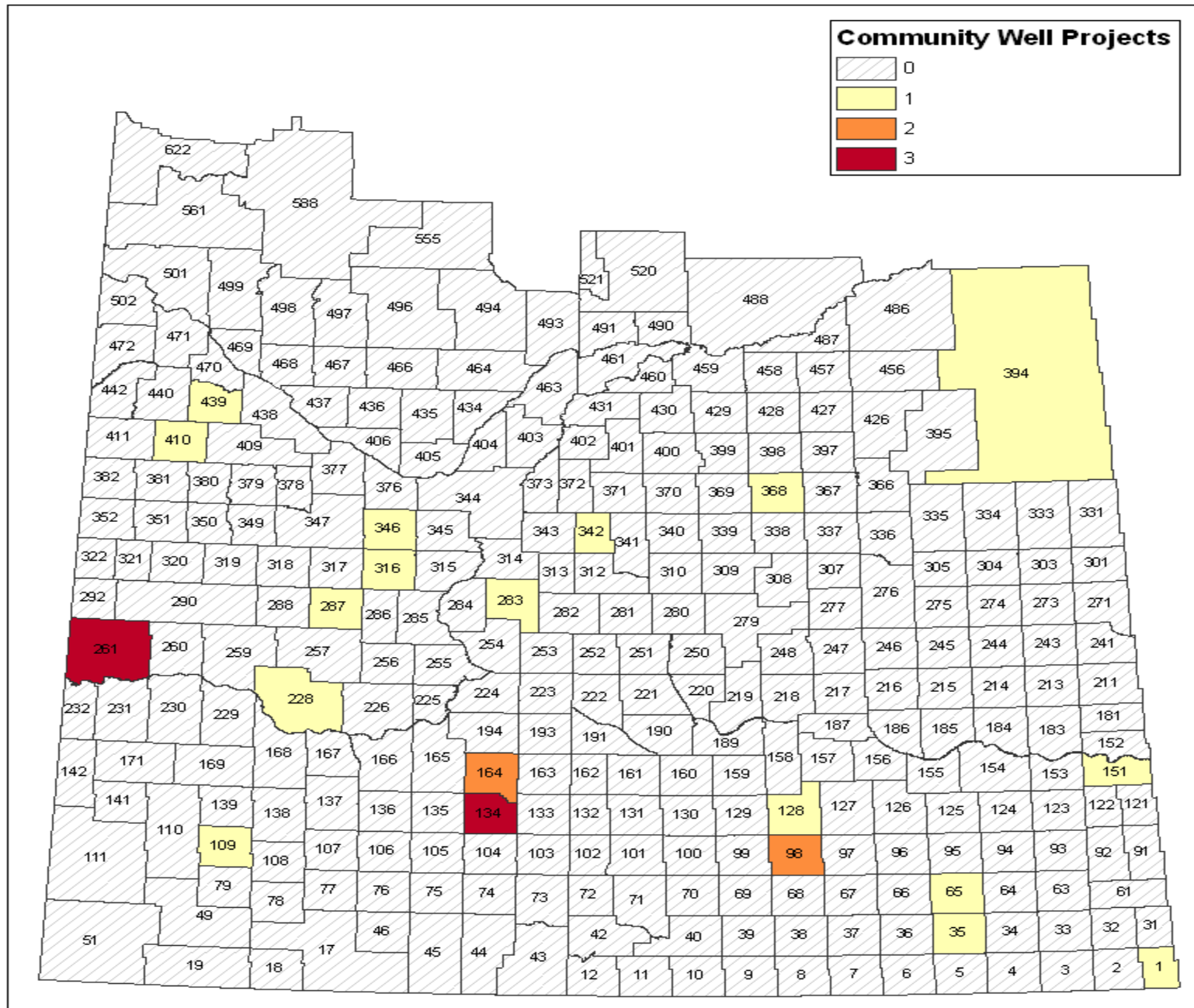
On Farm Well and Pipeline Projects - 2009



Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program On Farm Dugout Projects - 2009



Farm and Ranch Water Infrastructure Program Community Well Projects - 2009





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- Toll-Free 1-877-874-5365
- RM Offices



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