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Association of State Drinking Water Administrators 50th Safe Drinking Water Act Anniversary Video: Lance Jones (Arkansas Department of Health) Discusses Shared Water Systems

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Mr. Lance Jones of the Arkansas Department of Health (“ADH”) is featured in an Association of State Drinking Water Administrators’ (“ASDWA”) video celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the federal Safe Drinking Water Act (“SDWA”).

Mr. Jones is the ADH’s Engineering Section Chief.

ADH’s Engineering Section operates the SDWA program in the State of Arkansas.

The ASDWA was formed in 1984 to (as described by the organization):

...address a growing need for state administrators to have national representation, ASDWA has become a respected voice for state primacy agents with Congress, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and other professional organizations.

The SDWA was enacted by Congress on December 16, 1974. The statute requires EPA to set standards for drinking water suppliers. The EPA has established protective drinking water standards for more than ninety contaminants.

The SDWA regulatory requirements apply to public water systems that provide water for human consumption through pipes, or other constructive conveyances, to at least fifteen service connections or that readily serve an average of at least twenty-five individuals daily at least sixty days out of the year. It applies to all large community and non-transient non-community water systems serving more than 10,000 people.

In the below-linked video, ASDWA notes that Mr. Jones:

...shares how water utilities and small communities worked together to develop shared systems using water from multiple reservoirs in the western and northern parts of the state. These efforts ensure ample water quantities with high water quality is delivered to their customers, and also foster economic growth and provide public health benefits.

The video can be found [here](#).