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## State water plan released to public

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Everyone's been talking about this year's drought, but water planners with the State of New Mexico have outlined the long-term issues with the state's water supply in its draft State Water Plan.

The New Mexico Interstate Stream Commission and the Office of the State Engineer released a draft of the water plan Monday (July 9). The plan lays out the legal history of water in the state, ethical information about the reality of water availability of each region and potential policies for water management.

While the Taos County area generally has enough water to meet demand in normal years, drought years could create a big deficit.

For the first time since the state created regional water plans, the public can comment on the document. People have until Aug. 10 to do so by visiting [nmose.isc.commentinput.com](http://nmose.isc.commentinput.com) or submitting written comments to Lucia F. Sanchez, Interstate Stream Commission Water Planning Program Manager, 407 Galisteo Street, Santa Fe, 87504.

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