

# Oklahoma Water Resources Board (9 Members)

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## What We Do

### Managing Water Use

- Allocating water rights through 12,561 permits for the use of more than 6 million acre-feet of stream and groundwater each year.
- Administering federal stream water compacts to ensure the equitable sharing of water with neighboring states.
- Protecting Oklahomans from loss of life and property through maintenance and inspection of approximately 4,500 dams and guiding intelligent land use consistent with local floodplain requirements.
- Preventing groundwater pollution through enforcement of regulations governing the drilling, construction, and plugging of water wells.

### Planning for Our Water Future

- Ensuring the viability of state water supplies through proactive studies and long-term plans.

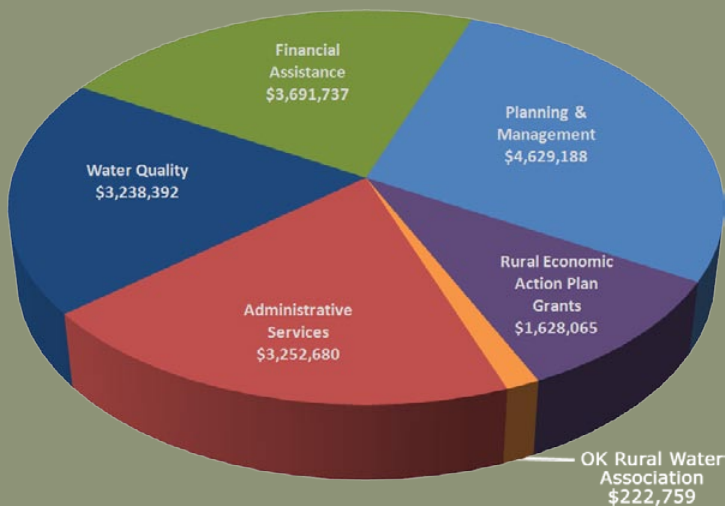
### Studying Surface and Groundwaters

- Determining water availability and management options through hydrologic and special studies.

### Monitoring & Protecting Water Quality

- Monitoring water quality trends at more than 600 lake and stream sites statewide.
- Developing and establishing fair and consistent standards to ensure water quality protection across the state.
- Curbing pollution of lakes, rivers, and streams and restoring their water quality benefits.

### OWRB Budget Overview



From FY 2009 to 2012 the OWRB's general revenue appropriations were reduced by 19 percent.

