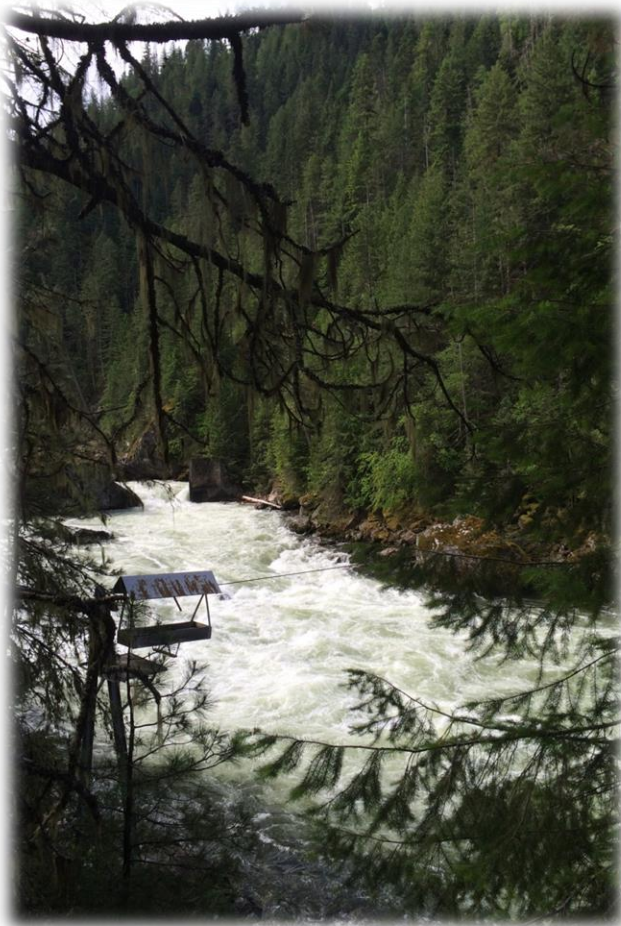


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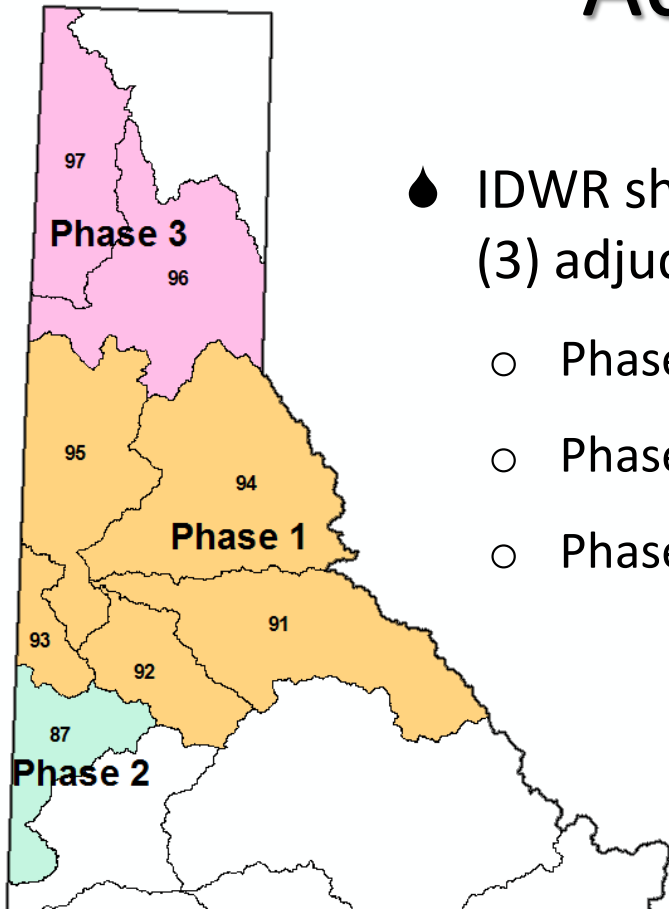


Meeting Topics



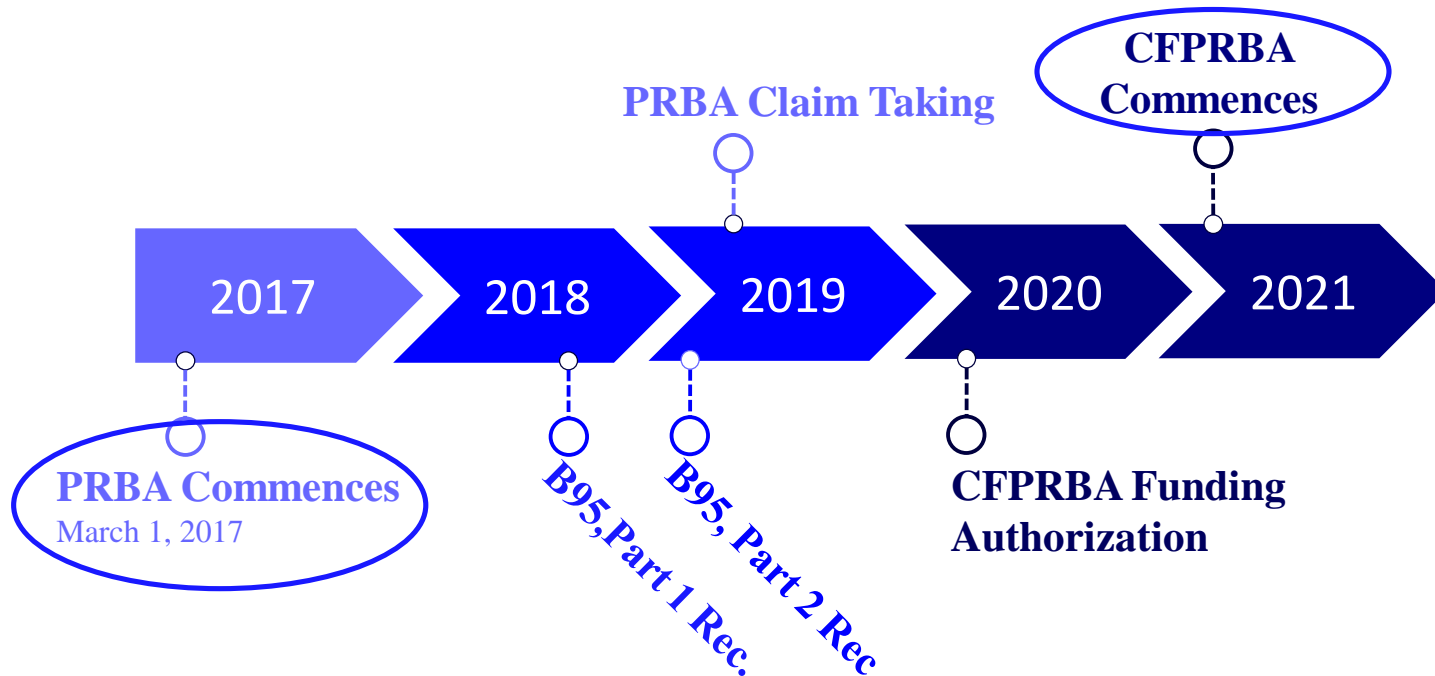
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- (CFPRBA)
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- Questions

42-1406B. Northern Idaho Water Rights Adjudications

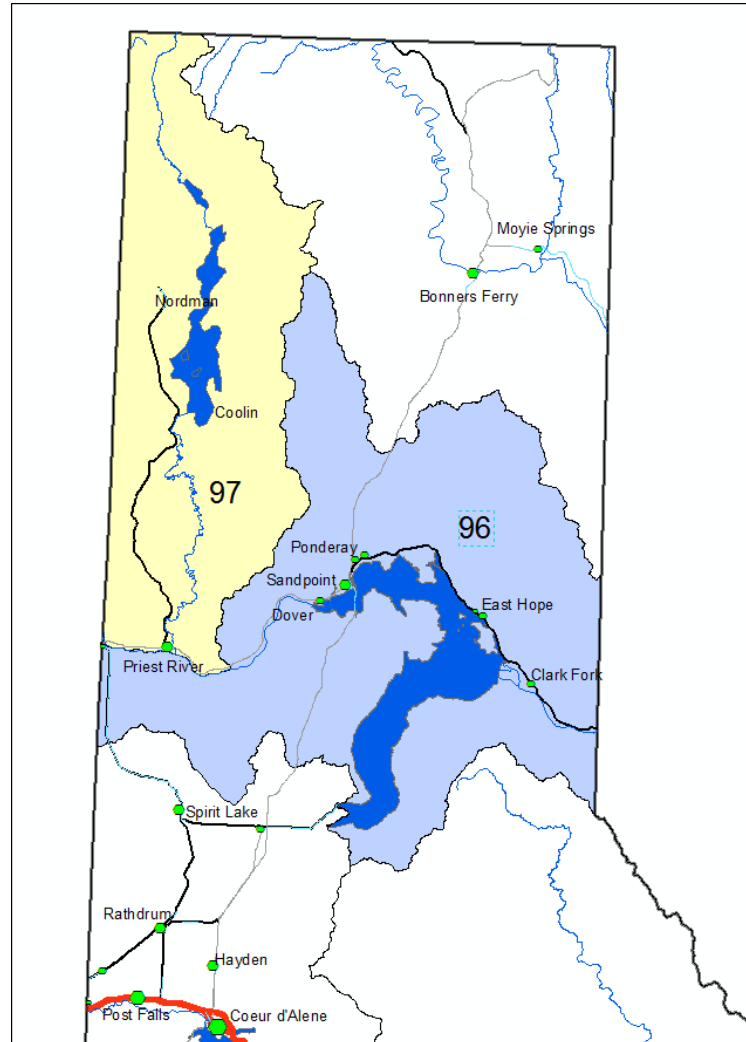


- IDWR shall petition the district court to initiate three (3) adjudications within the:
 - Phase 1 - Coeur d'Alene-Spokane River Basin (CSRBA)
 - Phase 2 – Palouse River Basin (CSRBA)
 - Phase 3 – Clark Fork-Pend Oreille River Basin (CFPRBA)

Northern Idaho Adjudication (NIA) Timeline

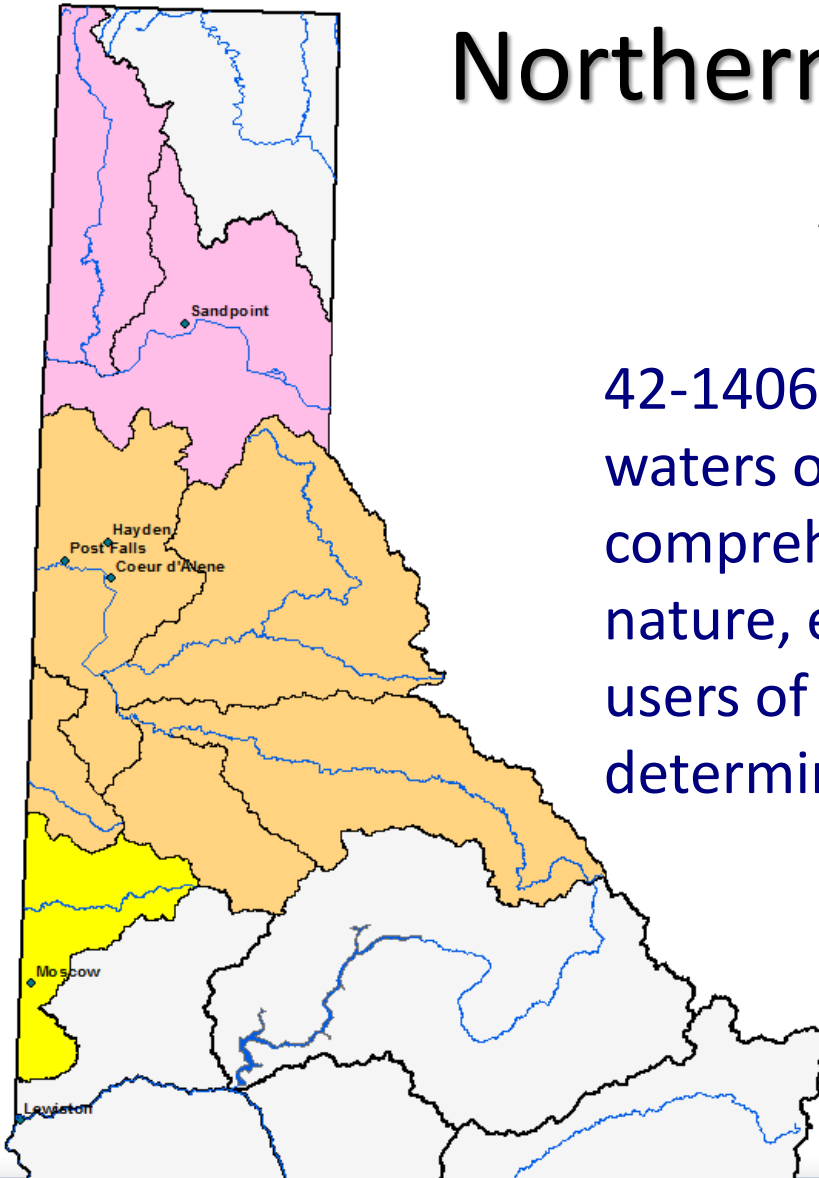


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Northern Idaho Water Rights Adjudications

42-1406B: “Effective management of the waters of northern Idaho requires that a comprehensive determination of the nature, extent and priority of the rights of users of surface and ground water be determined.”



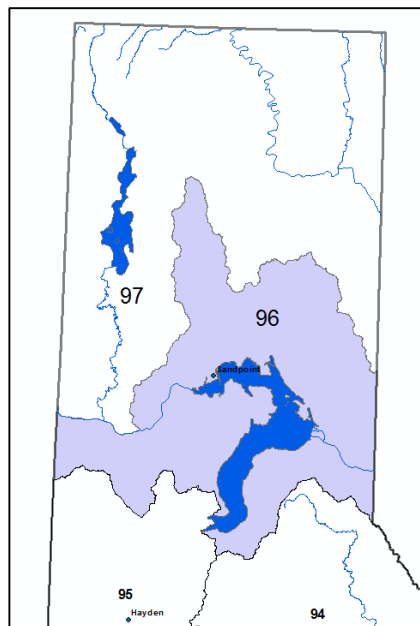
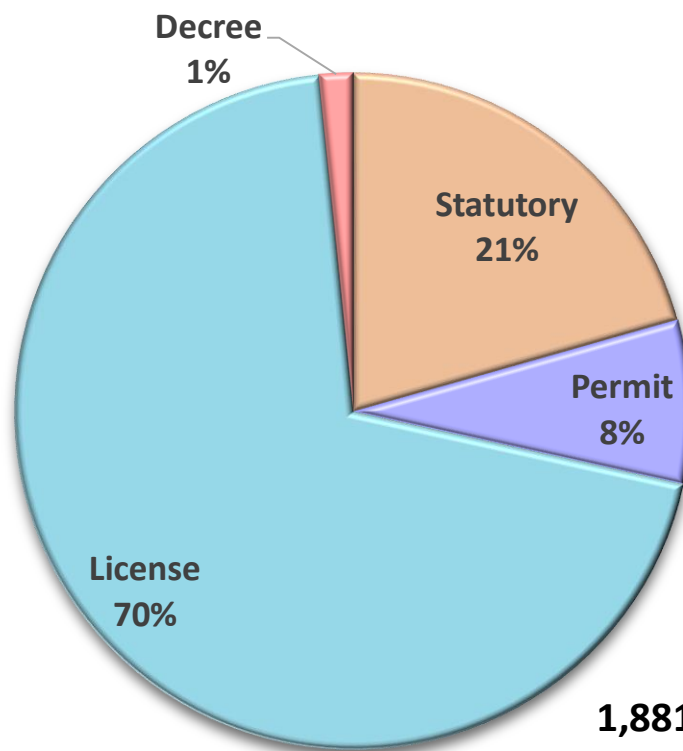
The Benefits of an Adjudication

- ◆ Protection against competition for finite resources
 - Supplies are not always sufficient to meet demands
 - During times of scarcity Idaho relies on priority administration
- ◆ Confirm Private Property Rights
- ◆ North Idaho population projected to grow 19.5% by 2026*
- ◆ Only way to confirm Statutory Claims
- ◆ Record and confirm beneficial use rights
- ◆ Record changes to water rights



*Population growth forecast obtained from the Idaho Department of Labor.

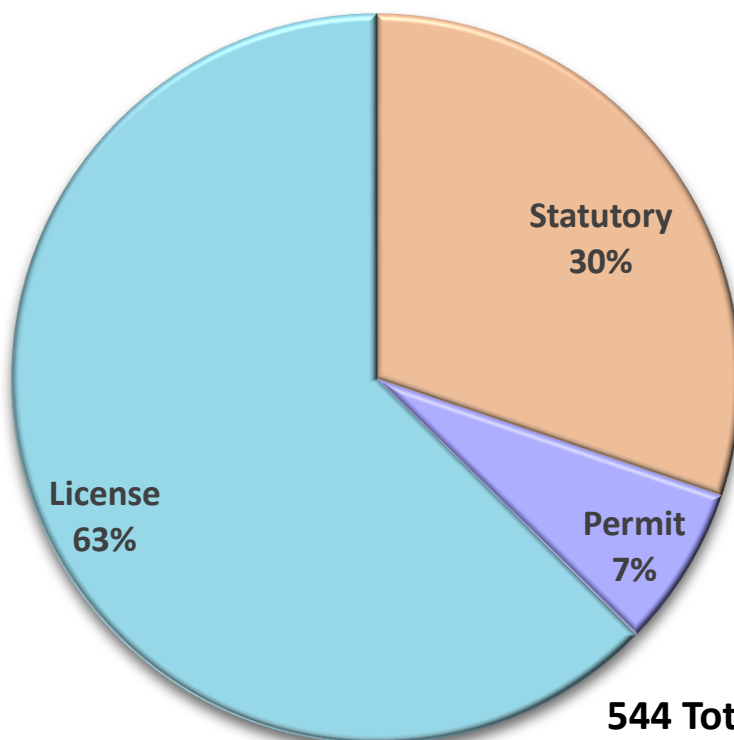
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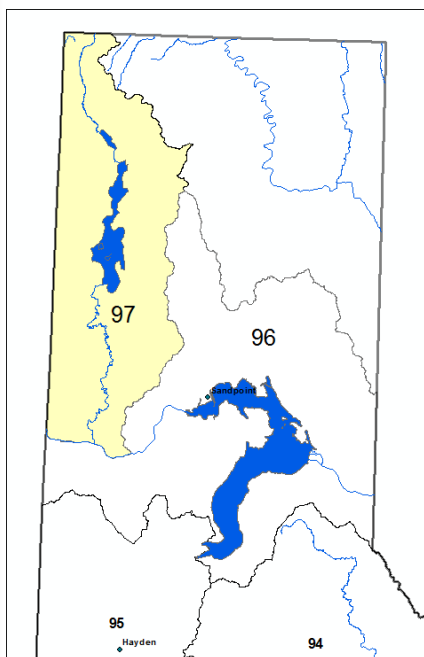
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- 21% Based on Statutory Claim
 - 78% of Statutory Claims are Surface Water

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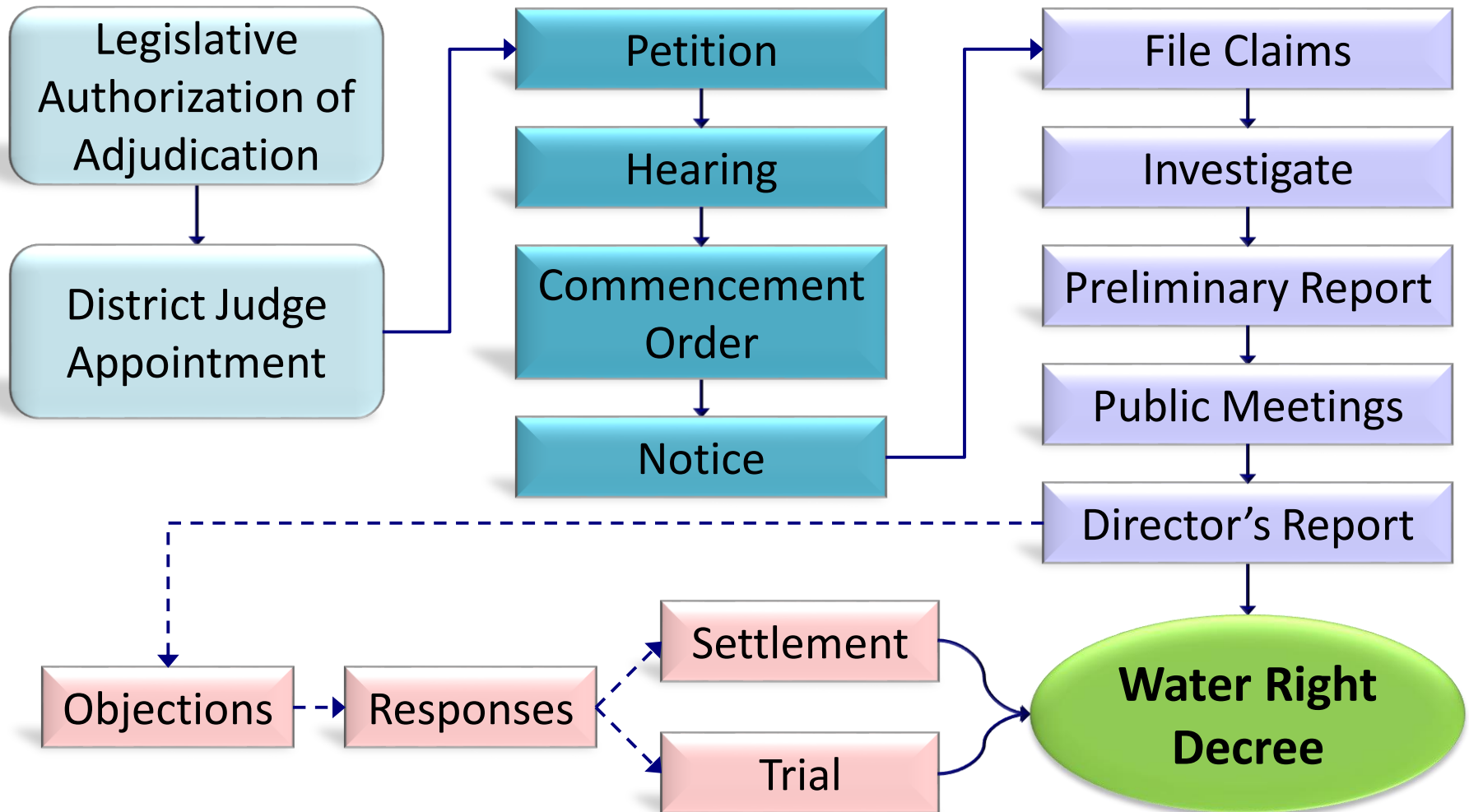


544 Total Active Water Right Filings

- 63% Based on License
- 30% Based on Statutory Claim
 - 75% of Statutory Claims are Surface Water



Adjudication Process



Domestic Use



- ◆ Domestic Deferral
 - Water users can choose to defer (postpone) filing for small Domestic & Stockwater rights (I.C. § 42-111)
 - However, filing fees for deferrable domestic and/or Stockwater claims are \$25.
- ◆ Meters on Domestic wells?
 - The administration and metering of domestic wells is not on the horizon.

Questions and Comments



Thank you