



# Water Resources and Policy Initiatives April 27, 2011 Long Beach

**RCAC** Overview

### The RCAP Network



#### Western RCAP

Rural Community Assistance Corporation 916/447-2854 www.rcac.org

#### Midwest RCAP

Midwest Assistance Program 952/758-4334 www.map-inc.org

#### Southern RCAP

Community Resource Group 479/443-2700 www.crg.org

#### Northeast RCAP

RCAP Solutions 800/488-1969 www.rcapsolutions.org

#### **Great Lakes RCAP**

WSOS Community Action Commission 800/775-9767 www.glrcap.org

#### Southeast RCAP

Southeast Rural Community Assistance Project 866/928-3731 www.southeastrcap.org



## **RCAC Programs**

- Affordable housing
- Community facilities
- Water and wastewater infrastructure
- Loan fund
- Classroom and online training
- Technical Assistance (TA)
- Median Household Income (MHI) surveys



# **Community Challenges:**

Financial Management Regulatory Support Education Lack of Resources



# **Financial Challenges:**

Lack of Finances to support change

Fear of adjusting rates

## Not in good standing



## **Management Challenges:**

### Lack of staff

# Lack of appropriate education/certification

### Short term planning



# **Regulatory Support Challenges:**

### Push to meet issue's

# Not accessing all resources to work in partnership



## **Education Challenges**:

# Many don't know the resources available

### Access to training

# Encouragement to see the long term planning



## **Resources Challenges:**

### Rural

#### Access to Educational Tools

#### **Professional Staff**



#### **Partnerships**

# Create partnership's for stronger resources

