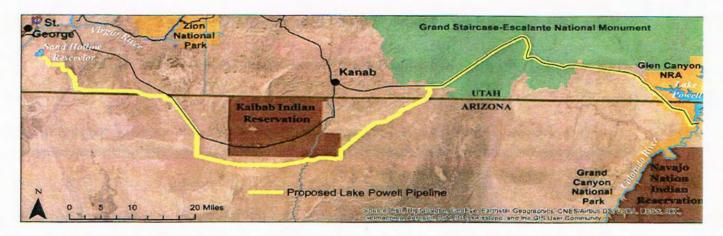
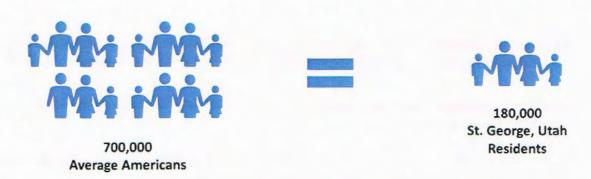
### What is the Lake Powell Pipeline?

The Lake Powell Pipeline is the largest new diversion of the Colorado River proposed by appointed officials of a Utah water agency under Governor Gary Herbert. The diversion would pipe water 2000 feet uphill across 140 miles of desert for recipients in St. George, Utah.



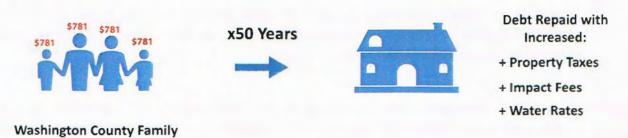
## **How Many Utahns Will this Water Support?**

The 28 billion gallons of Lake Powell Pipeline water is enough to provide for the annual use of 700,000 average Americans, but the water would be used by just 180,000 St. George residents. This inequity of water use is because Utahns are America's #1, highest (per person) users of municipal water, according to the USGS.



### Lake Powell Pipeline Per Capita Annual Debt

A group of economists recently examined the impacts the pipeline debt will have on Washington County residents. This debt is equivalent to up to \$781 on every man, woman, and child living in Washington County every year for the next 50 years. This explains why water rates, impact fees and property taxes must be increased dramatically if the pipeline is constructed.





# Lake Powell Pipeline Con Game

#### The Timeline to Hide Secret Rate Increases

2013

The Washington County Water District prepares a repayment plan showing the agency can repay Utah taxpayers the \$2-3 billion for the Lake Powell Pipeline.

The Las Vegas consultant they hired to do it has been paid \$418,000 (as of July 2016).

OCT 2015

22 PhD economists from 3 universities release a 41 page economic analysis showing the massive pipeline will require at least a 500% increase in water rates and a 120% increase in impact fees in Washington County.

The water district and the Division of Water Resources claim the economists are wrong, citing their repayment plan. They claim they can repay Utah taxpayers with just a "28 cent increase in water rates."

NOV 2015 The water district refuses to provide their repayment plan via a GRAMA request, but presents it to city councils and Utah legislators.

JAN 2016 Water districts employ more lobbyists at the Utah Legislature than any other special interest, working to fund the Lake Powell Pipeline with \$40 million in sales tax money, via \$B 80.

Water district lobbyists use their repayment plan as proof the tax money spent on the Lake Powell Pipeline can be repaid.

Rep Mike Noel, Rules Committee Chair and manager of the Kane County Water District (a recipient of pipeline water), lobbies House members to pass SB 80.

The Utah Legislature refuses to fund Utah's Medicaid Gap, which would require about \$40 million per year, but passes SB 80 giving it the same amount of annual funding.

APR 2016 The State Records Committee hears the GRAMA request for the water district repayment plan. The water district claims no repayment plan ever existed.

A YouTube video is presented showing the water district presenting their repayment plan to the community. The Records Committee orders the water district to surrender their repayment plan to the Utah Rivers Council.

SEPT 2016

University economists release a new analysis of the water district's repayment plan, showing the agency only intends to repay 28% of the billions in tax money borrowed for the Lake Powell Pipeline.