

# Irrigation SIS



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# Discussion Topics

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# SIS History

**Conservation greenest yet!**

**Region investing in SIS since 1981**

**Deployed Agrimet with USBR**

**Typically only one season**

**GWAMA Evaluation**

**10% Reduction of water application**

**Reduction of fertilizer cost**



# What is SIS?

**Efficient application of water—right amount  
at the right time**

**How?**

- ET Weather data (AgriMet, PAWS)**
- Weekly in-field moisture monitoring**
- Measurement of moisture applied**
- Crop type, soil type, soil moisture content,  
and acreage**

**Savings = 80 to 250kWh/acre per year**



# BPA Reimbursement

- 1) **SIS savings over the 3 years are limited to the smallest acreage out of the 3 years; and**
- 2) **the last year to start the SIS for CRC is the growing season of 2007.**



# BPA Reimbursement

**3) BPA reimbursement is the lesser of \$0.15/kWh of field specific site savings plus reduced line losses (~7.65 percent), not to exceed 70% of the total project cost.**



# BPA Reimbursement

- 4) **Per the RTF, TRC capped at \$13.50 for the first year and \$6.00 for each of the second and third years (for measure O&M costs), for a total project cost of \$25.50 per acre.**
- 5) **Reimbursement cap of 70% of the total project cost would be \$17.85 per acre, or \$5.95/year.**



# SIS M&V

**BPA payment based on verified savings**

**Verification method assumes 10% water savings**

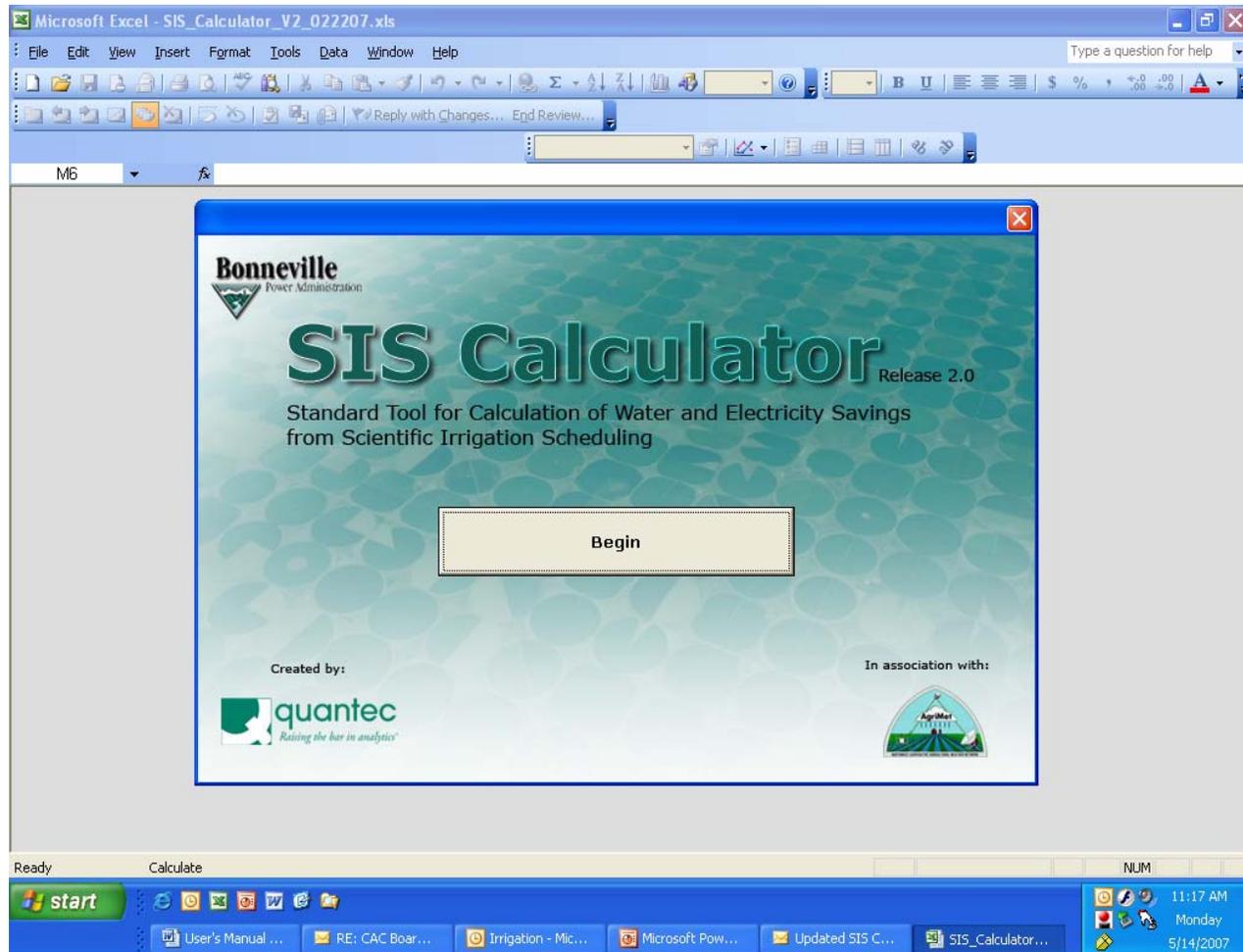
**Required inputs such as crop type, lift, wx  
station, ET, acreage, etc**

**Spreadsheet posted on PTR website**

**Funding at \$0.15 NTE 70% TRCost**



# SIS M&V



# In Summary

**BPA working with utilities on SIS**

**SIS is 3 year commitment (2007 last year)**

**Current enrollment over 100,000 acres**

**TRC is \$25.50 for the measure**

**Payment capped at \$0.15/kWh saved or 70% of TRC**

**M&V Calculator available**



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