Water Availability in Southeast Wyoming

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For the most part, water in southeast Wyoming is fully appropriated. The only three groundwater control areas in the state are located in southeast Wyoming. Any applications in the groundwater control areas must be advertised and go through the Control Area Advisory Board prior to being considered by the State Engineer. There are areas and formations where a groundwater well application may be approved. Water is available through Temporary Water Use Agreements (TWUA). A TWUA allows an appropriator to sell all or a portion of his consumptive use for a temporary use such as oil and gas drilling. There is water available in the North Platte River under certain circumstances. Find out how to obtain water for oil and gas drilling in southeast Wyoming.