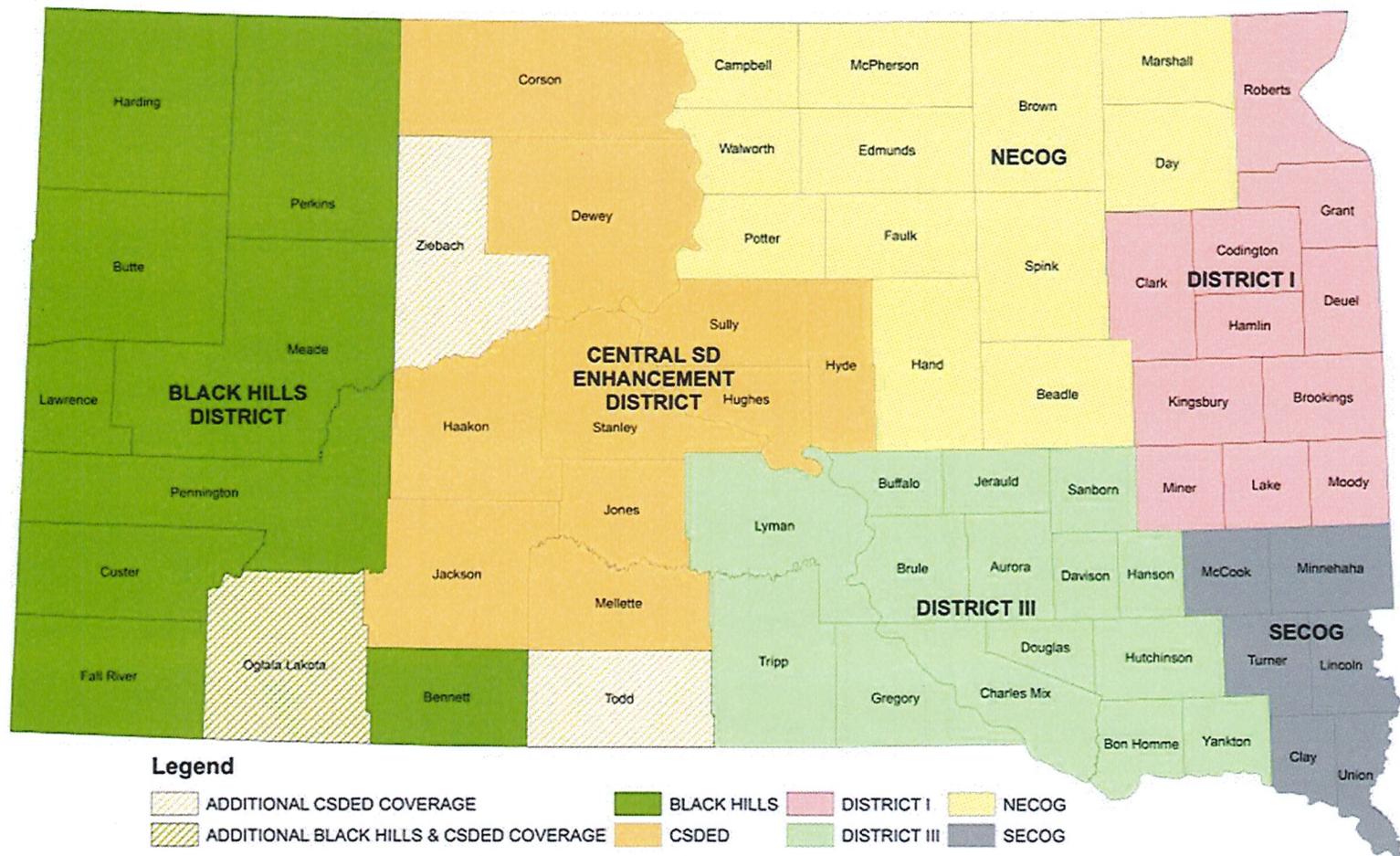


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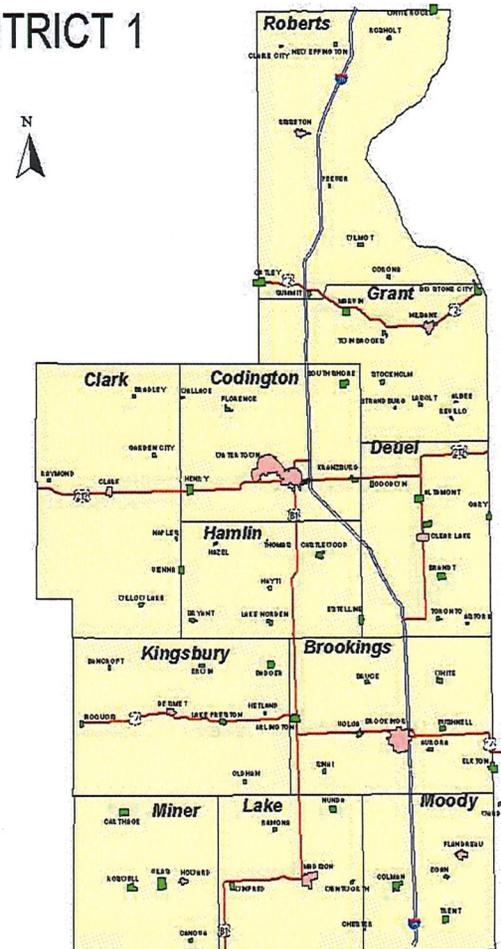
South Dakota Planning Districts



First District Stats:

- Established in 1971
- **Mission:** 11 counties and 76 communities working together to improve the quality of life within our region
- Member Counties include: Brookings, Clark, Codrington, Deuel, Grant, Hamlin, Kingsbury, Lake, Miner, Moody and Roberts
- Population: 123,542 (2024)
- Geographic Area: 7,851 sq. Mi.

DISTRICT 1

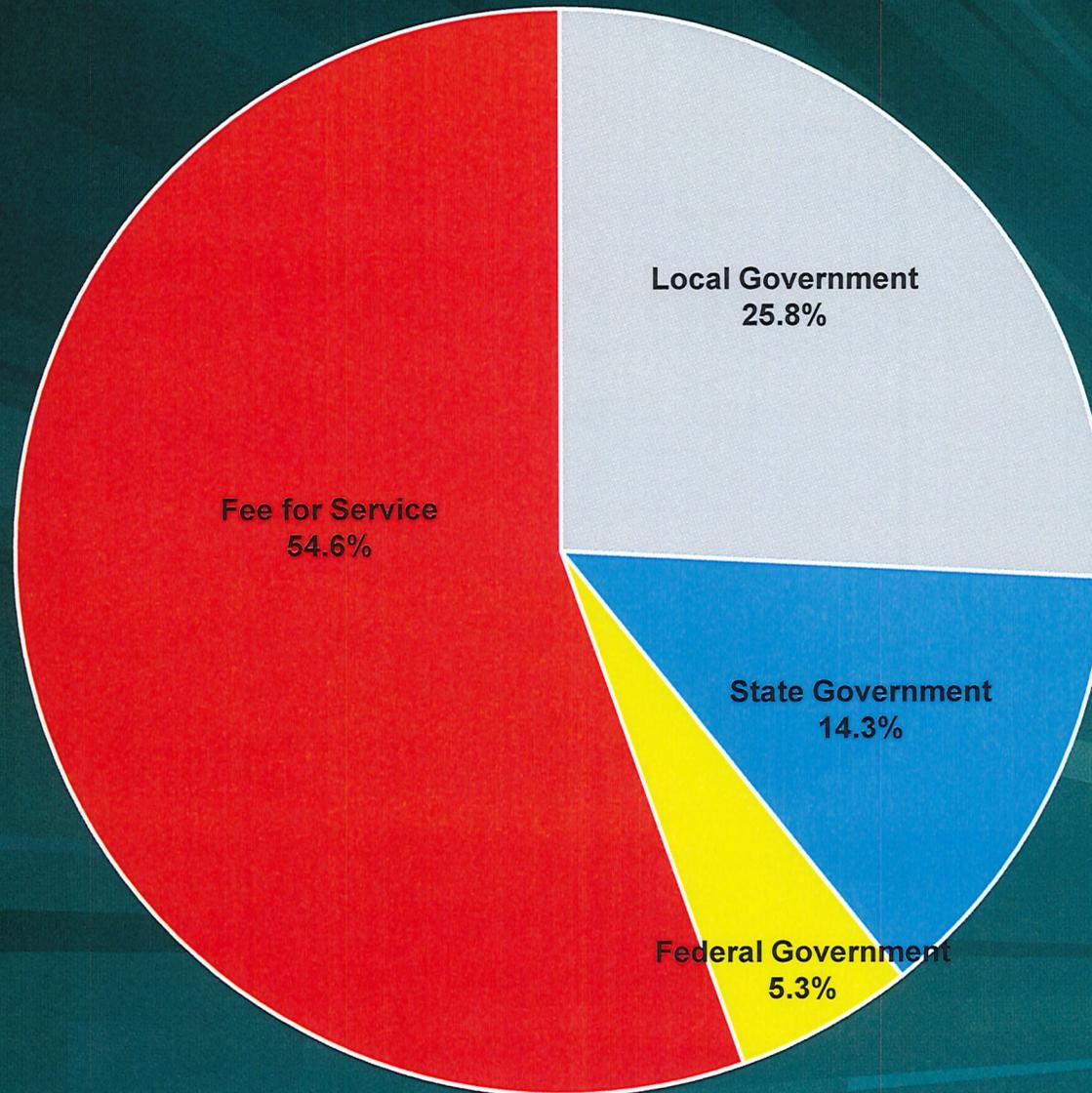


First District's Governing Body:

- First District is governed by a public body known as the “Governing Body”.
- The Governing Body is responsible for establishing District goals and policies.
- Governing Body composed of:
 - 1 county commissioner from each county
(Kelly VanderWal)
 - 1 elected municipal representative from each county (Vacant)
 - 1 at-large member from each county
(Mike Bartley)
 - Chairmen of Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe and Sisseton Wahpeton Tribe



FY 2026 District Funding



Staff...

141 Years of Cumulative Experience with First District

Employee	Title	Years	Months
Todd A. Kays	Executive Director	32	8
Ryan Hartley	GIS Coordinator	30	8
Darin Stein	Senior GIS Analyst	28	1
Amy Arnold	Senior GIS Analyst	18	0
Luke Muller	Senior Planner	17	2
Suzie Zirbel	Office Manager	9	8
Kelli Henricks	GIS Analyst	2	9
Mason Weidenbach	Economic Development Officer	2	7
Carla Heuer	Planner	0	0

Planning District Work Areas

- **Application Packaging** (hundreds of proposals per year)
- **Project Administration** (red tape management)
- **Planning and Research** (zoning, surveys, studies)
- **Technical and Financial Specialties** (TIFs, GIS, RLFs)
- **Program Support and Promotion** (state and federal infrastructure programs)



FY 25 District Results



- 2025 Dues: \$329,760
- 2025 Grants and Loans: \$26,920,589
- 2025 Grants - \$20,771,589

- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 25: \$ 62.99
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 24: \$132.78
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 23: \$64.99
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 22: \$489.51
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 21: \$27.62
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 20: \$53.58
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 19: \$20.87
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 18: \$30.10
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 17: \$10.87

- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 16: \$17.79
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 15: \$41.78
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 14: \$29.49
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 13: \$30.92
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 12: \$20.45
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 11: \$ 4.67
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 10: \$30.47
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 09: \$41.97
- Return on Investment (Grants) FY 08: \$26.29

- Average Return on Investment (Grants) FY 08-25: \$69.90
- Total Grants FY08-25: \$324,179,276

FY 2025 Brookings County (Grants/Loans)



- 2025 Dues: \$71,584 Dues (08 to 25: \$989,608)
- 2025 Grants and Loans: **\$4,489,084**
- 2025 Grants: **\$2,632,884**

- Return on Investment FY 25: **\$36.78**
- Return on Investment FY 24: **\$195.09**
- Return on Investment FY 23: **\$37.49**
- Return on Investment FY 22: **\$481.37**
- Return on Investment FY 21: **\$49.55**
- Return on Investment FY 20: **\$ 1.24**
- Return on Investment FY 19: **\$71.21**
- Return on Investment FY 18: **\$ 1.24**
- Return on Investment FY 17: **\$17.25**

- Return on Investment FY 16: **\$ 2.76**
- Return on Investment FY 15: **\$ 8.80**
- Return on Investment FY 14: **\$21.80**
- Return on Investment FY 13: **\$12.28**
- Return on Investment FY 12: **\$32.05**
- Return on Investment FY 11: **\$ 0.51**
- Return on Investment FY 10: **\$31.19**
- Return on Investment FY 09: **\$24.77**
- Return on Investment FY 08: **\$85.83**

- FY 08 to FY25 Grants: **\$72,562,045**
- Average Return on Investment FY 08 to 25: **\$73.32**