

Jersey County Rural Water Company Inc.

The Jersey County Rural Water Company Inc. is a private not-for-profit water company that was formed in 1972. JCRW currently serves 5100 customers in Jersey, Madison, Macoupin and Greene Counties. JCRW was formed by some area farmers and several citizens of the community who needed good potable water source for their farms and businesses. Legislator Paul Simon assisted with a several 40 year loans through the Farmers Home Administration currently called Rural Development. The Company decided to purchase water from the Alton Water Company with a fifty year contract.

JCRW continues to grow in customer base and miles of pipeline currently 680 miles. The Company over the years has done several area extensions and system improvements with five different Phase Projects. The distribution system has 7 elevated tanks, 3 ground tanks and 6 pumping stations serving three different pressure zones. JCRW also sells water to three satellite systems Village of Shipman, Village of Medora, and Village of Royal Lakes. The Companies average usage is about 970,000 gallons per day.

The Company is governed by 7 Board of Directors who are customers of water system serving three year terms and elected by the members of the Company. Most of the Board Members have over 10 years of service and are very active in the Company. JCRW has 11 full time employees with many of them having over 25 years of on the job training performing various duties within the Company. Three of the employees are licensed water operators with the State of Illinois. The Company is a member of the Illinois Rural Water Association , Jersey County Business Association and American Water Works Association.