



The Circuit Rider Methodology

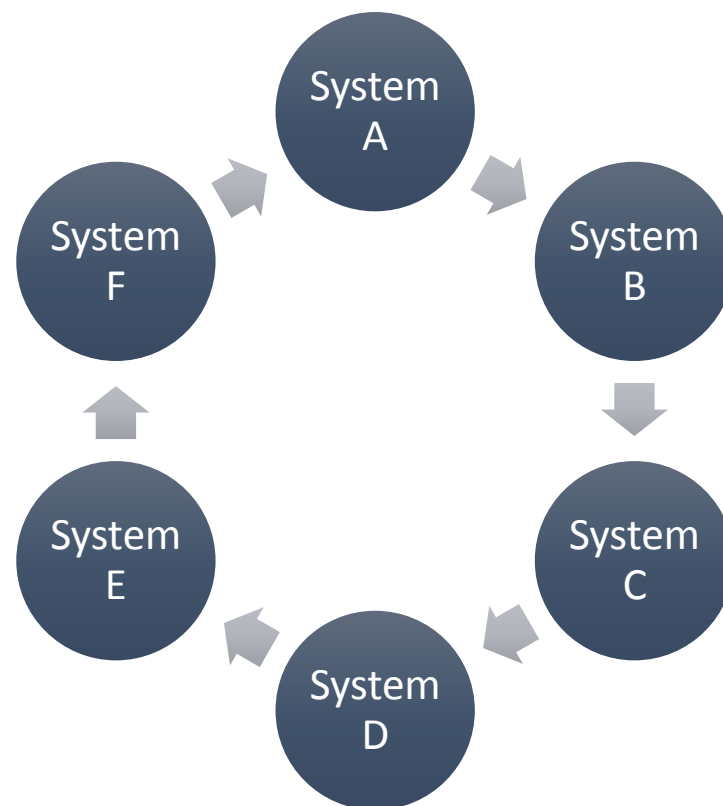
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The Problem

- ❑ Donor organizations focus on infrastructure
- ❑ Most small water systems struggle to provide a consistent safe water supply after implementation due to:
 - Lack of funding
 - Lack of qualified staff
 - Weak governance
 - Poor tariff settings
 - Lack of supply chain for parts and supplies

The Circuit Rider Model

- ❑ Qualified traveling technicians visit a number of water systems/ communities, providing support and assistance
- ❑ Each Circuit Rider will visit 20 – 40 systems, 4 – 6 times over the course of a year



Services Provided

- ❑ Technical assistance on system repair, source water protection, and water quality
- ❑ Administrative assistance for improved governance and financial management
- ❑ Capacity building to community water boards for WASH promotion activities
- ❑ Support for integrated water resources and watershed management

DRI's Center for International Water and Sustainability (CIWAS)

- ❑ DRI has been involved in providing technical capacity building to water project staff in West Africa since 1991
- ❑ CIWAS was created with a grant from the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation to address gaps that exist in knowledge, research, and human resource capacity that persist in developing countries, especially those that assist in reducing health related issues and design of sustainable WASH programs

DRI Circuit Rider Program

- ❑ DRI's Circuit Rider (CR) program will address capacity needs in developing countries by providing on-site assistance and on the job training in three key areas:
 - ❑ Technical
 - ❑ Managerial and Financial
 - ❑ Community and Water Resources/Watershed Management

Next Steps

- ❑ Adapt existing curricula to include sanitation and hygiene components
- ❑ Include monitoring and evaluation (M&E) tools and the use of mobile technology
 - M&E of existing CR programs in Latin America
- ❑ Continue to grow existing and create new CR programs across Latin America
- ❑ Adapt the CR methodology to the African context
 - Proposed pilot in Ghana