

2003 WATER QUALITY REPORT



DEAR CUSTOMER:

We are pleased to present a summary of the quality of the water provided to you during the past year. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires that water utilities issue an annual water quality report to customers in addition to other notices that may be required by law. This report details where your water comes from, what it contains, and the risks that water testing and treatment are designed to prevent. The City of Grand Junction is committed to providing you the safest and most reliable water supply.



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EVERY DROP MATTERS

The beauty that surrounds the Grand Valley is unique and magnificent. But it is also delicate. Cycles of drought are typical of Colorado's history, but the Grand Valley has grown tremendously in the past decade, forcing our water supplies to stretch further than ever before. Last winter's snowfall helped drought conditions, but did not eliminate water supply concerns.

This year, the four water utilities, Grand Junction, Palisade, Clifton, and Ute Water along with Colorado State University Cooperative Extension, have created the Drought Response Information Project, or DRIP. This committee is working to provide the latest scientific data on drought conditions and what we can do as a community to use our water more efficiently.

This year's emphasis is on outdoor water usage. Learn about your lawn's watering needs and decrease water use in your home or business. For more information about water conservation practices and tips call your local water utility, CSU extension service or visit our website at www.thedripwebsite.com.



DROUGHT

Esta es información importante. Si no la pueden leer, necesitan que alguien se la traduzca.



**The bottom line:
Is the water safe to drink?
Absolutely!**

Grand Junction and Kannah Creek water had no compounds detected in 2003 that violated EPA drinking water regulations.

Water Source: The City of Grand Junction is proud to use Grand Mesa water as its source. Since we are the first users of this water, there are no industrial, agricultural or urban contaminants present. The Grand Junction and Kannah Creek water plants are supplied by surface water from the Kannah Creek watershed. This pristine source starts out as snowmelt and precipitation and covers 200 square miles on the top and west side of the Grand Mesa. Principal streams and storage areas in the watershed are Kannah Creek, North Fork of Kannah Creek, Juniata Reservoir and Purdy Mesa Reservoir.

