

GUNNISON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WORK SESSION MEETING AGENDA

DATE: Tuesday, February 10, 2026

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PLACE: Board of County Commissioners' Meeting Room at the Gunnison County Courthouse
(REMOTE OPTION BELOW)

8:30 am

- Gunnison County Boards and Commissions Interviews:
 1. Planning Commission Alternate (Two vacancies for one-year terms)
 - Applicants:
 1. 8:30 am – Stuart Asay
 2. 8:45 am – Betsy Dupree-Kyle
 3. 9:00 am – Anna Fenerty
 4. 9:15 am – Steven Jenkins
 5. 9:30 am – Beverly Troxtell

9:45 am

- Upper Gunnison River Water Conservation District (UGRWCD) Updates
 1. Regular Update
 2. U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's Proposed Alternatives for the Post 2026 Operating Guidelines for Lake Powell and Mead
- Colorado River Water Conservation District (CRWCD) Update
- HB 1177 Roundtable Update

10:30 am

- Break

10:40 am

- Gunnison County Metropolitan Recreation District Update
- Adjourn

Please Note: Packet materials for the above discussions will be available on the Gunnison County website at <http://www.gunnisoncounty.org/meetings> prior to the meeting.

ZOOM MEETING DETAILS:

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://gunnisoncounty-org.zoom.us/j/89798905619>

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AGENDA ITEM or FINAL CONTRACT REVIEW SUBMITTAL FORM

Agenda Item: Gunnison County Boards and Commissions Interviews:

Action Requested: Discussion

Parties to the Agreement:

Term Begins:

Term Ends:

Grant Contract #:

Summary:

Planning Commission Alternate Letters of Interest for Interviewees

Fiscal Impact:

Submitted by: Holly Perry

Submitter's Email Address: hperry@gunnisoncounty.org

Finance Review:

Required

Not Required

Comments:

Reviewed by:

Discharge Date:

County Attorney Review:

Required

Not Required

Comments:

Reviewed by:

Discharge Date:

Certificate of Insurance Required

Yes No

County Manager Review:

Comments:

Reviewed by: GUNCOUNTY1\mbirmie

Discharge Date: 2/5/2026

Consent Agenda

Regular Agenda

Worksession

Time Allotted: 75

Agenda Date: 2/10/2026

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Boards and Commissions Application

Board/Commission or
position applying for: Planning Commission

First and Last Name Stuart Asay

Address 

City Gunnison

Phone 

Email Address 

Why would you like to
serve on this Board or
Commission? My technical and civic service experience will make a
contribution to a well-rounded Planning Commission. I would be
pleased to serve as an alternate member.

Additional Comments *Field not completed.*

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Dear Members of the Board of County Commissioners,

I am writing to express my interest in serving as a community volunteer on the Gunnison County Planning Commission.

I thought it would be helpful to begin by providing a brief overview of my background. I moved to Crested Butte as a full-time resident in September 2024. Prior to relocating, my husband and I vacationed in the Gunnison Valley for nearly nine years and grew deeply connected to the area and its welcoming, down-to-earth community. I have been a practicing attorney for twenty-five years, primarily serving as in-house counsel working remotely in the energy industry. While my career was both rewarding and challenging, I ultimately decided to retire at the end of 2025 in order to focus more intentionally on community involvement and service.

Until recently, I had not considered serving on a Gunnison County board or commission. However, after meeting Commissioner Daniels during the holidays and subsequently learning more about the County's boards and commissions, I realized that the Planning Commission aligns well with the type of volunteer opportunity I am seeking. I am eager to become more engaged with the community, contribute in a meaningful way, apply my professional skill set, and learn a new area of law. I recognize that serving on the Planning Commission would involve a learning curve, particularly given my lack of direct government experience, but I value challenging opportunities and collaborative environments where learning is part of the process.

After reviewing the Gunnison County Strategic Plan, I gained a greater appreciation for the County's long-term goals and priorities. I am particularly interested in the land use challenges facing the County and its communities, including Crested Butte, such as workforce housing availability, short-term rental impacts, infrastructure capacity, water resources, and development near sensitive environmental and recreational areas. I am especially interested in how the County navigates the complex interplay among these issues while balancing the interests and priorities of multiple stakeholders, including municipalities and nonprofit organizations such as the Crested Butte Land Trust.

Although I do not have direct planning or government experience, I believe my professional background has prepared me well to contribute effectively to the Planning Commission. As an in-house attorney, I have consistently evaluated complex proposals against established policies, regulations, and risk considerations in highly regulated environments. I bring strong analytical skills, sound judgment, and experience weighing competing interests while maintaining equity, consistency, and transparency. I approach decision-making with a strong respect for ethics, procedural consistency, and impartiality, particularly in settings requiring objective review. Throughout my career, I have worked closely with cross-functional teams, managed complex projects under demanding timelines, and engaged constructively with a

diverse range of stakeholders. I am comfortable reviewing detailed materials, preparing in advance of meetings, listening actively, asking thoughtful questions, and participating respectfully in public processes.

If selected, I would be honored to contribute my time and perspective in service of the Planning Commission's role in advancing balanced, well-informed land use decisions. Thank you for your consideration, and I welcome the opportunity to address any questions or concerns you may have.

My resume is attached for additional background, and my LinkedIn profile may be found at: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/elizabeth-dupree-kyle-534248145>

Sincerely,
Betsy Dupree-Kyle

Elizabeth (Betsy) Dupree-Kyle

Experienced In-House Counsel

Contact

[REDACTED]
Crested Butte, CO 81224
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Key Skills

Communication Skills
Cross-Functional Team Player
Good Business Judgement
Complex Transactions
Litigation Management
Project Management
Customer Focus

Profile

Skilled in-house legal counsel with experience in complex domestic and international commercial transactions, affiliated companies, ethics & compliance (E&C), litigation management, employment, and regulatory matters such as antitrust, trade control compliance (TCC) and Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA). Consistently recognized as a top performer with an ability to manage a heavy workload and work under pressure.

Experience

June 2022 – Jan. 2025

Sr. Legal Counsel (Contractor) • Equilium / SLB (formerly Schlumberger) • Houston, TX

As a contract employee, provided legal/contract support to SLB's Integration business line relating to integrated oil, gas, geothermal, carbon capture and other drilling-related opportunities/projects in the U.S. Land and North America Offshore geographical units.

Aug. 2020 – Aug. 2021

Division Counsel, Well Construction Division • Schlumberger • Sugar Land, TX

Counseled clients on all legal matters related to Schlumberger's drilling fluid and cementing business lines managed at the HQ level including, E&C, litigation, and regulatory matters such as TCC, FCPA and health, safety & environment (HSE).

Jan. 2020 – Aug. 2020

General Counsel, OneStim Business • Schlumberger • Sugar Land, TX

Counseled clients on all legal matters related to Schlumberger's North American hydraulic fracturing business including litigation management, commercial issues (customer & supplier), HSE, E&C, and employment. Managed a team of 3 attorneys.

March 2019 – Jan. 2020

Sr. Legal Counsel, Governance & Contracts NAL/NAO • Schlumberger • Sugar Land, TX

Managed contracts team of 13 attorneys supporting Schlumberger's North America land and offshore geographical units. Counseled clients on governance matters & provided litigation management for all Fair Labor Standards Act class action litigation.

August 2017 – March 2018

Assistant General Counsel Compliance, NAL/NAO • Schlumberger • Sugar Land, TX

Counseled clients on all E&C matters related to Schlumberger's NAL/NAO geographical units. Provided training on Code of Conduct, conducted E&C related investigations, and advised management about E&C statistics and trends and made recommendations.

Aug. 2014 – Aug. 2017

Sr. Legal Counsel, IPM Business • Schlumberger • Dubai, United Arab Emirates

Counseled clients on all legal matters related to Schlumberger's Integrated Project Management (IPM) Business across the Eastern Hemisphere including providing complex transactional tender and contract support. Managed a team of three attorneys.

May 2012 – Aug. 2014

Sr. Legal Counsel, M-I SWACO Drilling Fluids Business • Schlumberger • Houston, TX

Counseled client on legal issues managed at Schlumberger's M-I SWACO HQ level including matters related to finance, tax, HR, supply Chain, corporate & HSE. Managed a team of one attorney and three paralegals.

Feb. 2011 – May 2012

Sr. Counsel, Performance Plastics & Dow Engineering • Dow Chemical • Houston, TX

Counseled clients on commercial matters relating to Dow's Performance Plastics Businesses including NA sales contracts, global sales contracts, M&A due diligence, antitrust and FCPA. Counseled clients on commercial matters relating to the sale of EPCm services by the Dow Engineering Company to Dow affiliates or third parties.

Oct. 2007 – Jan. 2011

Sr. Attorney (Seconded Employee) • Univation Technologies, LLC • Houston, TX

Counseled Univation (50/50 JV between Dow Chemical & ExxonMobil) commercial teams on (i) gas-phase polyethylene technology license transactions, (ii) catalyst supply contracts, (iii) secrecy agreements, (iv) joint development agreements and (v) regulatory matters such as TCC, antitrust and FCPA. Lead attorney for the establishment of subsidiary companies in the Asia Pacific region.

Mar. 2006 – Oct. 2007

Attorney, Performance Chemicals & Plastics Business • Dow Chemical • Midland, MI

Counseled clients on commercial matters relating to Dow's Performance Chemicals and Plastics Businesses. Provided early-stage case management and business counsel support for commercial litigation. Lead attorney for the restructuring of Dow's wire and cable Japanese joint venture, Nippon Unicar Corporation.

Sept. 2001 – Feb. 2006

Attorney, US Operations • Dow Chemical • Midland, MI

Counseled clients on commercial matters relating to certain Dow and Union Carbide manufacturing operations. Provided case management for all operations-based litigation for Michigan and West Virginia Operations. Provided HR/labor counsel to clients in Michigan Operations.

Education

2001 - Juris Doctor • Michigan State University College of Law • E. Lansing, MI
Magna cum laude, top 10%, Michigan State Law Review

1995 – B.S. Environmental Chemistry • University of Michigan • Flint, MI

1991 – B.A. English • Albion College • Albion, MI

References

Available upon request.

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Boards and Commissions Application

Board/Commission or
position applying for: Planning Commission

First and Last Name Anna Fenerty

Address 

City Crested Butte

Phone 

Email Address 

Why would you like to
serve on this Board or
Commission? I am a lifelong resident of Gunnison County. I have lived in affordable housing here for twenty four years. I've worked service industry jobs for much of that time and live the reality of our unique economics. I would like to build a future for myself here, and create space for others to find their dreams here. I spent the last four years serving on the town council in Crested Butte, as well as the Mountain Express and RTA boards. After an unsuccessful challenge for mayor I've had a few months to reflect on public service. I know it is true and essential that fresh perspectives and new voices represent the complex web of lives in Gunnison County. I would like to contribute my experience, thick skin, and calm presence to what can a divisive and complicated role.

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Boards and Commissions Application

Board/Commission or
position applying for: Planning Commission

First and Last Name steve jenkins

Address

City Gunnison

Phone

Email Address

Why would you like to
serve on this Board or
Commission?

I am interested in participating in the Gunnison County Planning Commission to help guide future growth and development in the County. I understand the Commission reviews land use applications, makes recommendations on development policies, and ensures projects are aligned with the county's comprehensive plans. I also understand that this is a balancing act considering the economic wellbeing of the community, planning for growth, health, safety, and environmental protection. Ultimately, the Planning Commission serves the community's well-being.

I understand this is a strictly advisory capacity. All final decisions rest with the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC). The commission makes recommendations on development applications, zoning changes, subdivisions, conditional use permits, and variances. I look forward to helping draft policies for development, comprehensive plans (like the GAP), and community guidelines.

This Commission needs wide representation from the community. Major changes in zoning should not come as a surprise to members of the community. It is important to hold public hearings to gather input on proposed developments and

planning matters.

My background is a professional geologist, having spent 37 years working in the oil industry, mostly overseas. I was responsible for overseeing major projects, such as a \$200 Million annual drilling project at KPO in Kazakhstan and was responsible for building reservoir models and planning development of Chevron's largest oil field (Tengiz Field in Kazakhstan) leading to production of almost 1 million barrels of oil per day. These planning skills will be useful to the Planning Commission, along with my appreciation of geological and flooding issues here in the County. I am also familiar with housing issues facing the county. Since 1992 I have owned property in the Gunnison area. My home and raw acres are located outside of the Gunnison City limits. I maintain rental property in Mt. Crested Butte and Gunnison City limits. I am familiar with the permitting and construction process in the County, having been involved in both minor and major construction projects.

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Additional Comments

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Date: Friday, January 16, 2026 11:06:54 AM

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Dear Board of County Commissioners,

Following my recent STOR interview, I have gained a deeper understanding of the Planning Commission and its mission. Consequently, I am writing to formally submit my application for the open seat. As shared in previous conversations with the BOCC, I am deeply committed to the long-term well-being of Gunnison County—its land, its ecosystems, and the diverse community of people who call this valley home.

Having lived in the valley for more than 14 years, I understand both the opportunities and the pressures facing our county: responsible land use, housing challenges, transportation needs, environmental stewardship, and the importance of maintaining the character that makes Gunnison County unique. I believe these issues require thoughtful, balanced decision-making informed by both policy and lived community experience.

As previously shared, my background spans change management, strategic planning, corporate leadership, and communications. These disciplines have shaped how I analyze complex information, listen to differing viewpoints, ask clarifying questions, and support decision-making processes that are transparent, inclusive, and grounded in data. Across my career, I have helped organizations navigate high-stakes decisions involving competing priorities, stakeholder alignment, and long-range planning—experiences I believe translate directly to the work of the Planning Commission.

More specifically, I hope to contribute to the Commission's strategic outcomes in the following ways:

- **Objective evaluation of proposals:** striving to bring a structured, analytic, and fair approach to reviewing land-use applications.
- **Long-range planning insight:** applying my experience in strategy and systems thinking to support discussions around housing, infrastructure, transportation, and resilient growth.
- **Balanced consideration of perspectives:** fostering respectful dialogue during public meetings and helping bridge different viewpoints through thoughtful questions and evidence-based reasoning.

For further details on my professional experience and background, please refer to my LinkedIn profile: [Beverly \(Diaz\) Troxtell LinkedIn Profile](#).

Thank you for considering my application. I would be honored to support the County and the BOCC in shaping thoughtful, sustainable planning decisions for our community's future.

Sincerely,

Beverly Troxtell

Cell: [REDACTED]

AGENDA ITEM or FINAL CONTRACT REVIEW SUBMITTAL FORM

Agenda Item: ADDED IN MTG - UGRWCD Presentation

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Submitter's Email Address:

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Comments:

Reviewed by:

Discharge Date:

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Not Required

Comments:

Reviewed by:

Discharge Date:

Certificate of Insurance Required

Yes No

Review

Comments:

Reviewed by:

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Upper Gunnison Basin Water Report

Board of County Commissioners

February 10, 2026

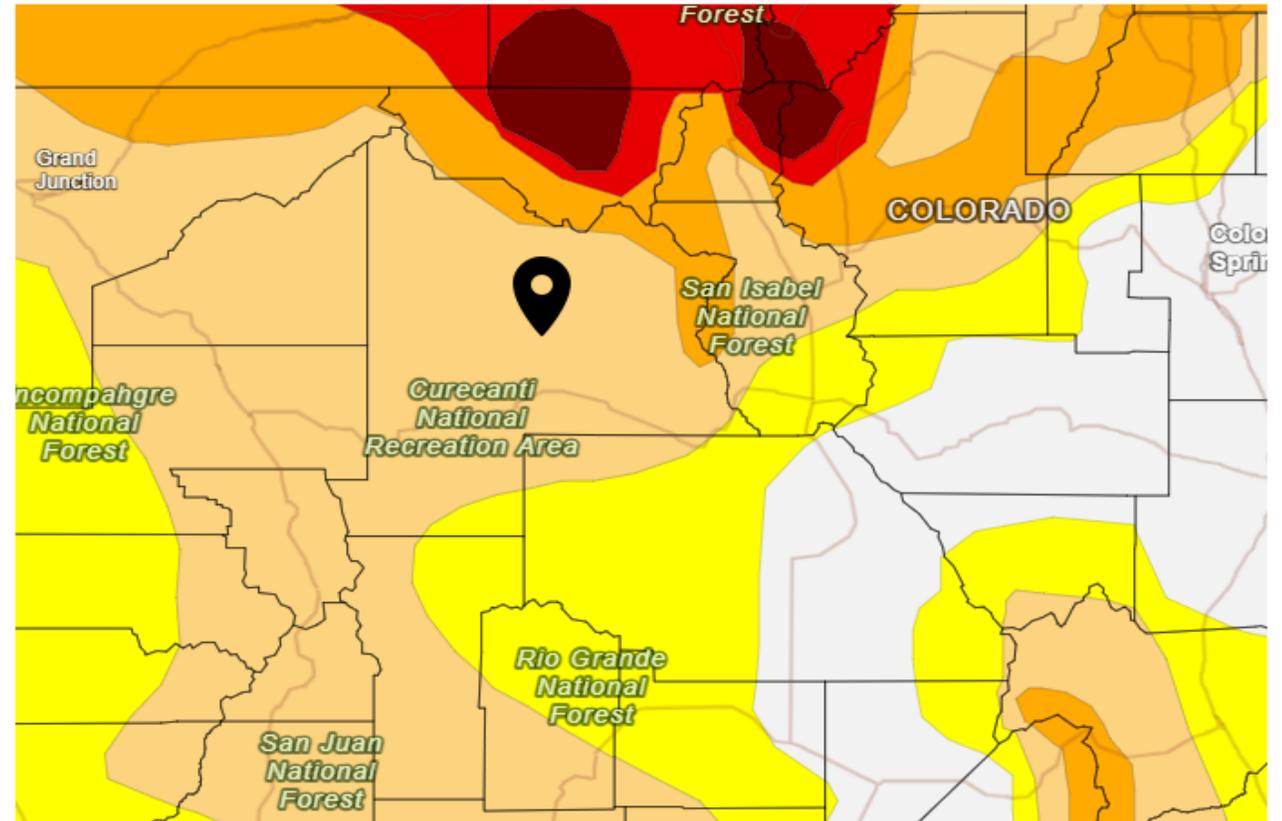
Beverly Richards, Office Manager/Senior Program Manager

Drought Monitor Map

As of February 3, 2026

drought.gov

- 96% of Gunnison County is experiencing Moderate (D1) to Severe (D2) Drought Conditions



Drought & Dryness Categories

	D0 - Abnormally Dry
	D1 - Moderate Drought
	D2 - Severe Drought
	D3 - Extreme Drought
	D4 - Exceptional Drought
	Total Area in Drought (D1-D4)

% of Gunnison County

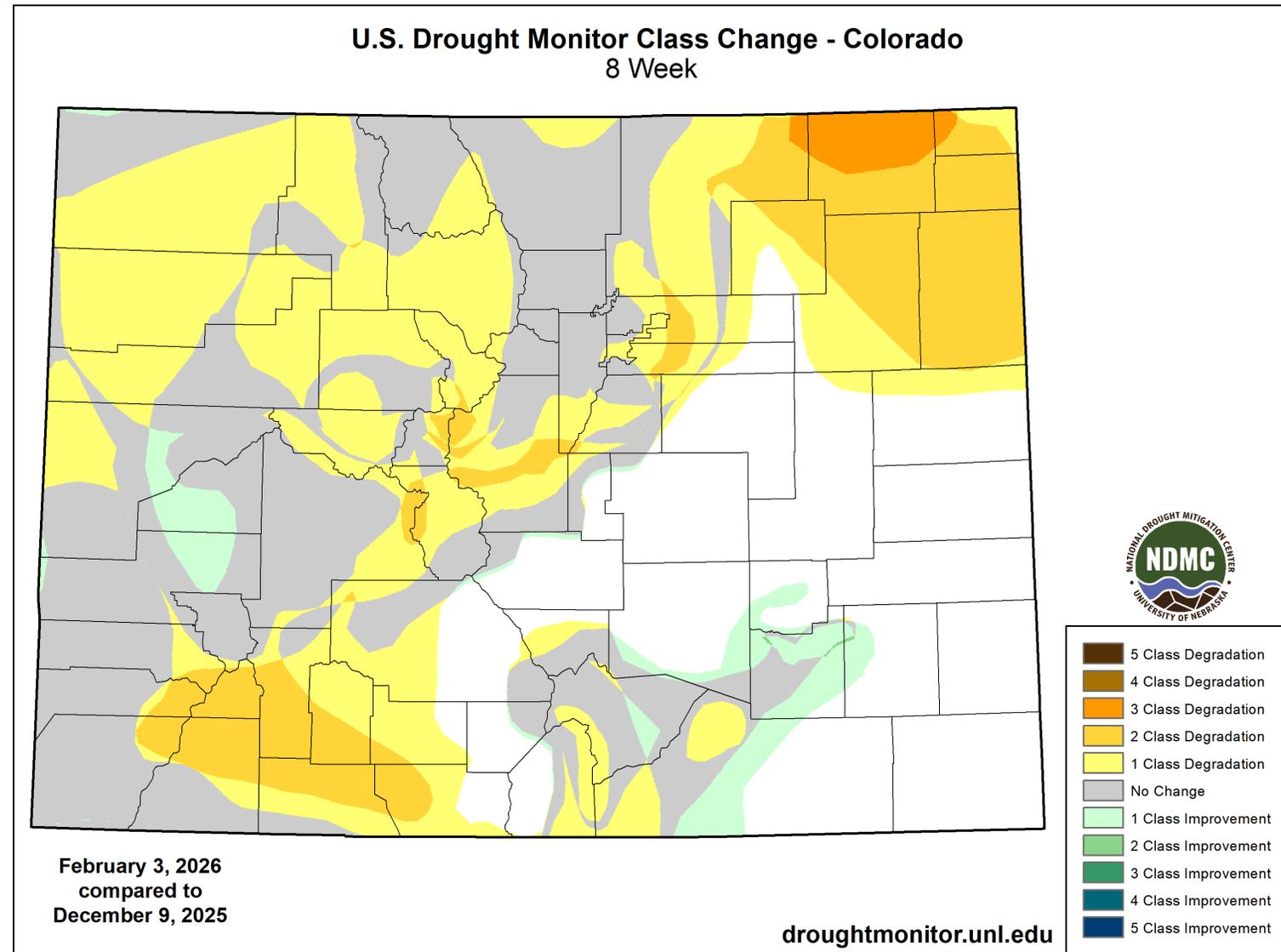
3.82%
88.47%
7.71%
0%
0%
96.18%

Source(s): NDMC, NOAA, USDA
 Data Valid: 02/03/26

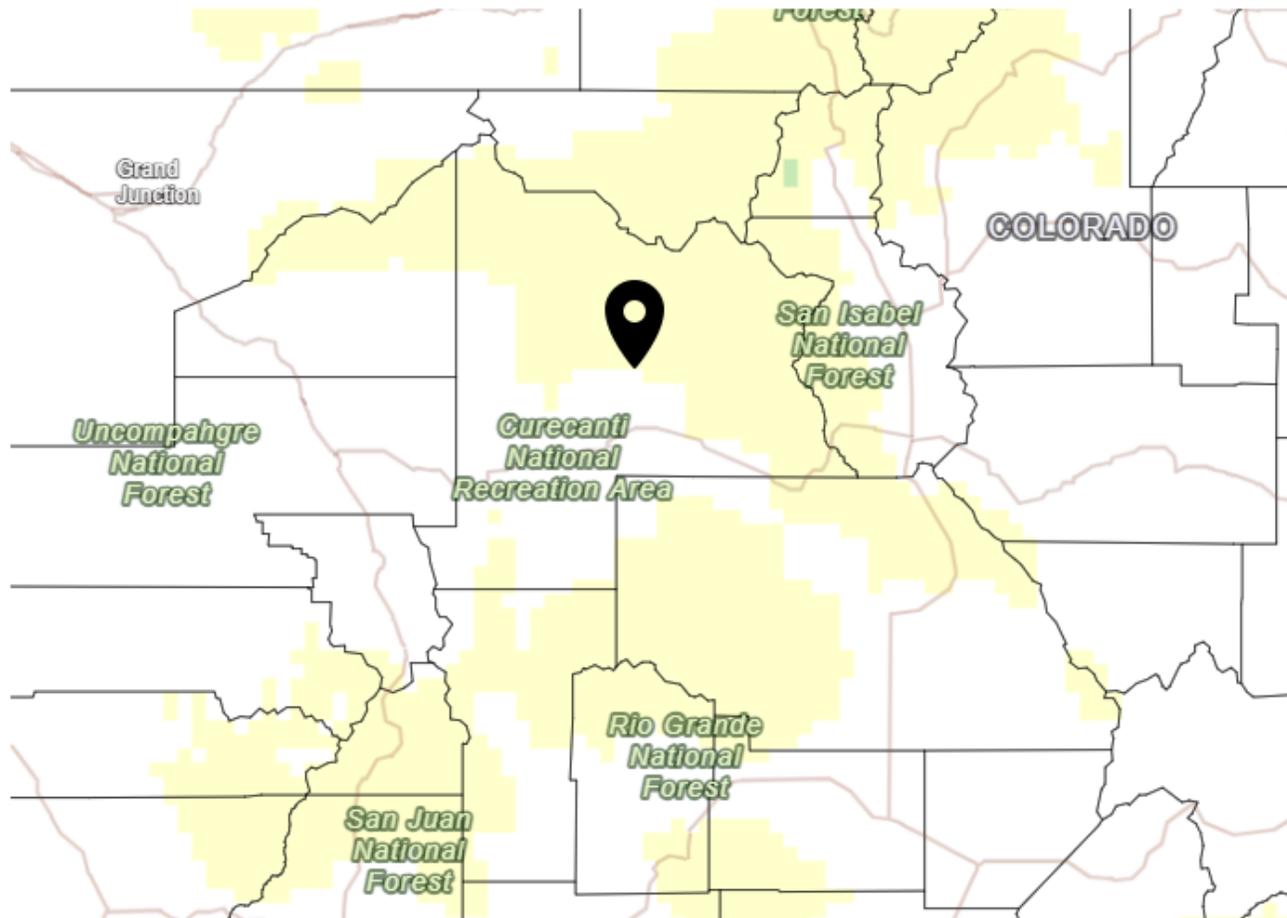
Drought Monitor Class Change

As of February 3, 2026
drought.gov

- In the northern and eastern parts of the county there has been 1 to 2 class degradation in drought conditions



7-Day Total Precipitation (Inches)



Inches of Precipitation



Source(s): UC Merced

Data Valid: 02/02/26

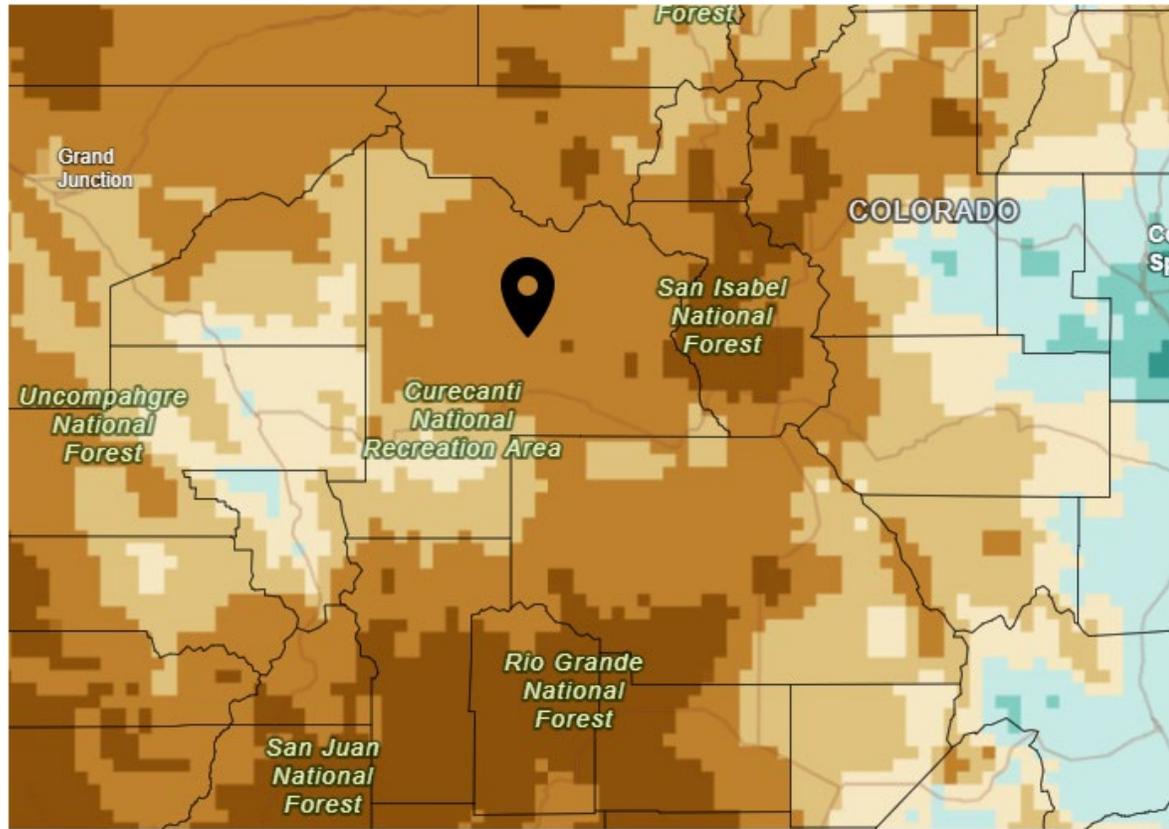
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Gunnison County Precipitation Past 7 Days

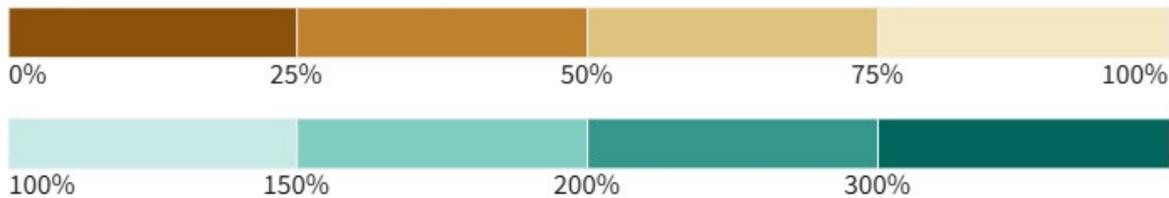
*As of February 2, 2026
drought.gov*

Precipitation amounts over the past seven days ranged from no precipitation to 0.5 inches

30-Day Percent of Normal Precipitation



Precipitation Shown as a Percentage of Normal Conditions



Source(s): UC Merced

Data Valid: 02/02/26

Drought.gov

Gunnison County Precipitation Past 30 Days

*As of February 2, 2026
drought.gov*

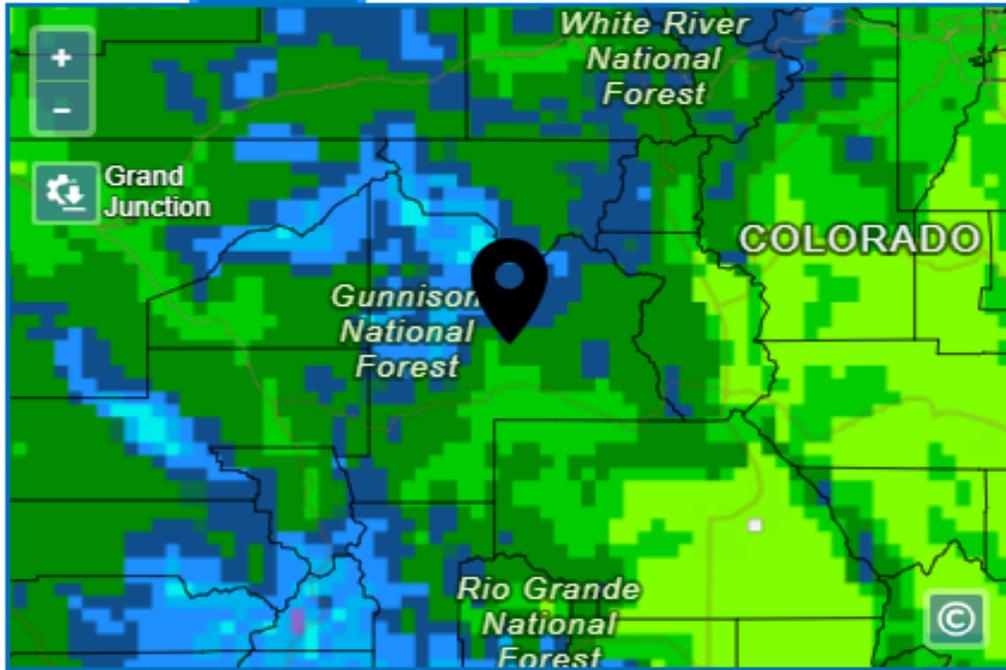
Precipitation has ranged from no precipitation to 50% of normal in most of the county over the past 30 days.

There is a small area near Hinsdale County where the range was 75% to 100% of normal precipitation

Quantitative Precipitation Forecast

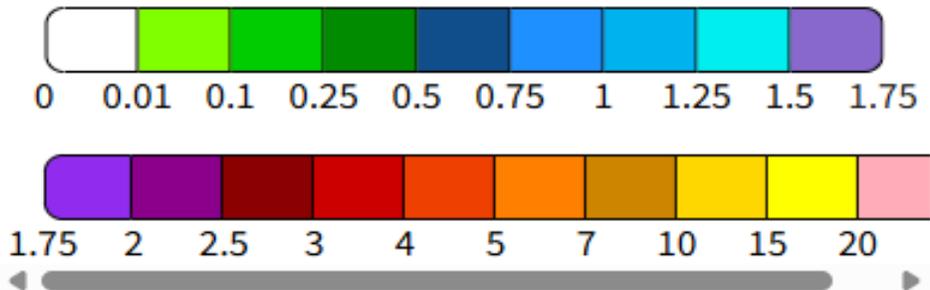
1-Day

7-Day



Legend

Predicted Inches of Precipitation



Gunnison County Precipitation 7-day Quantitative February 5-February 12

As of February 5, 2026
drought.gov

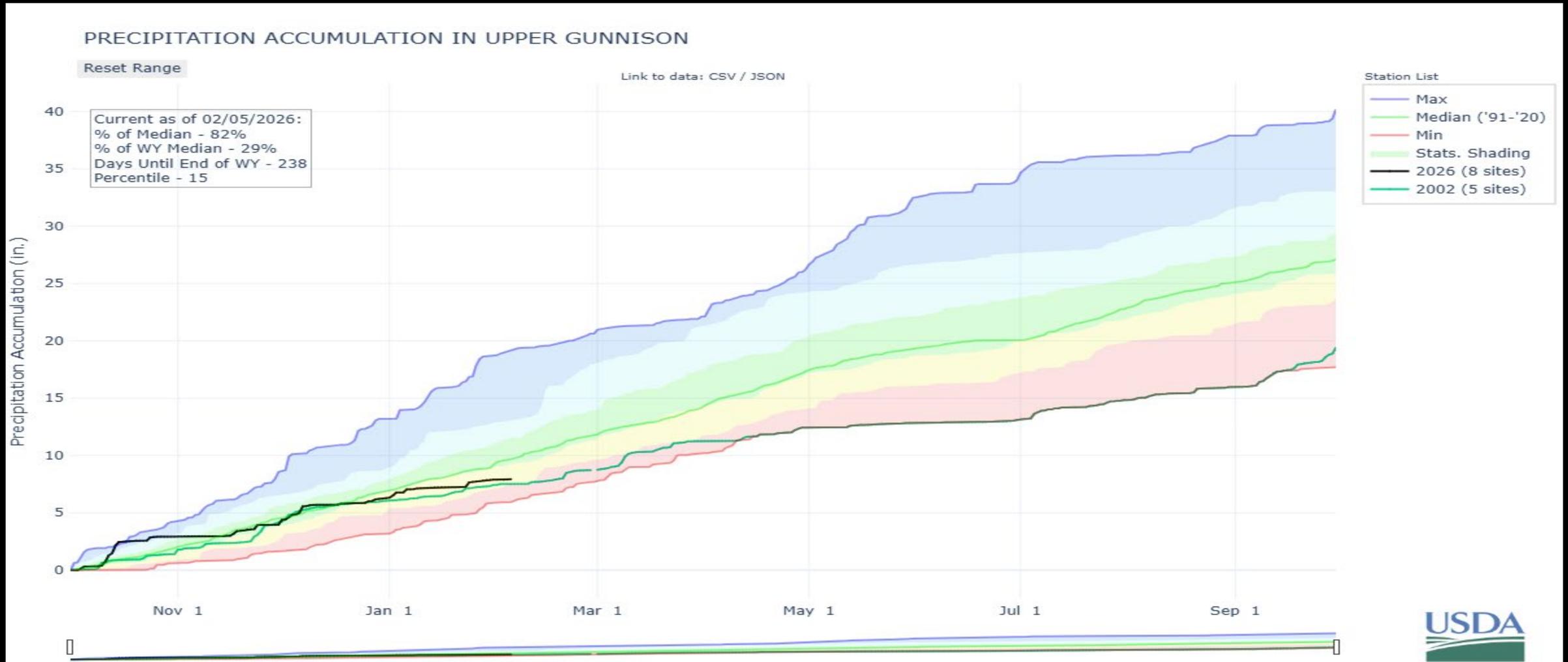
Precipitation in Gunnison County for the next seven days is forecasted to be in the range of 0.1 inch to 1.5 inches in the northern part of the county.

Upper Gunnison Basin Precipitation

As of February 5, 2026
NRCS

Precipitation accumulation for WY26 is currently at 82% of the median

Median amount is 9.7” of precipitation and WY26 to date is currently 7.9”

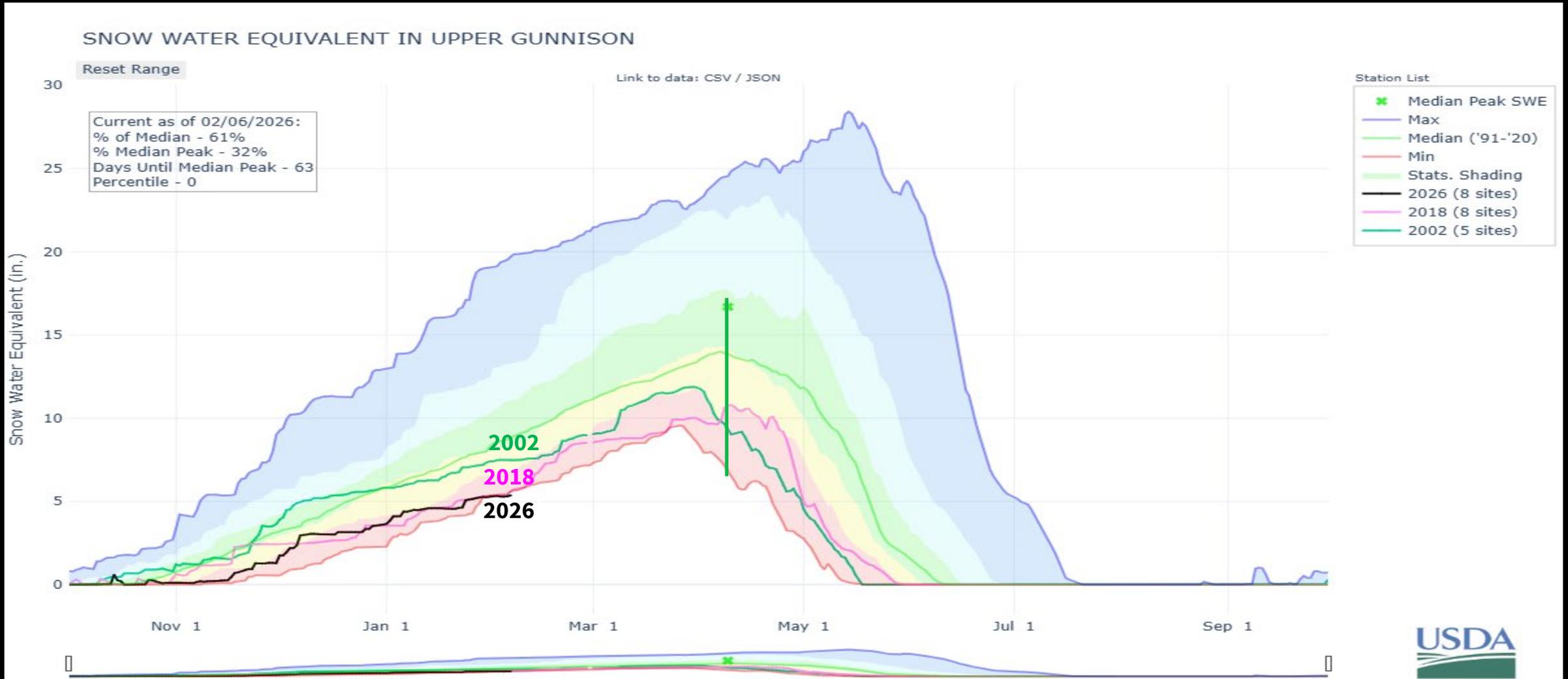


Upper Gunnison Basin Snow Water Equivalent

As of February 6, 2026
NRCS

Snow water equivalent is currently at 61%
of the median for this date

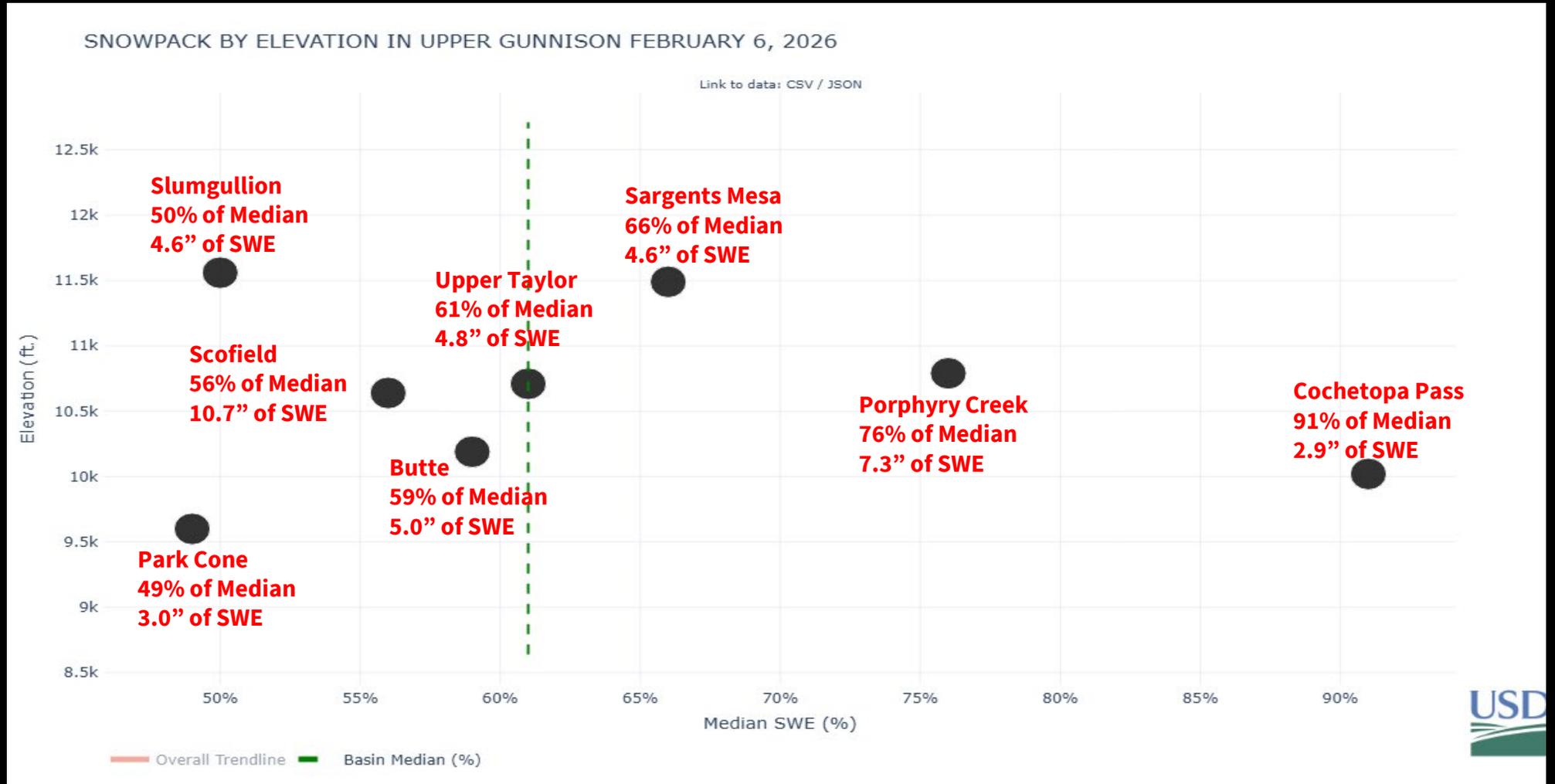
Median amount is 8.8" of SWE and WY26
to date is currently 5.4"



Upper Gunnison Basin Snowpack by Elevation

This graph shows snowpack by elevation, based on SNOTEL data.

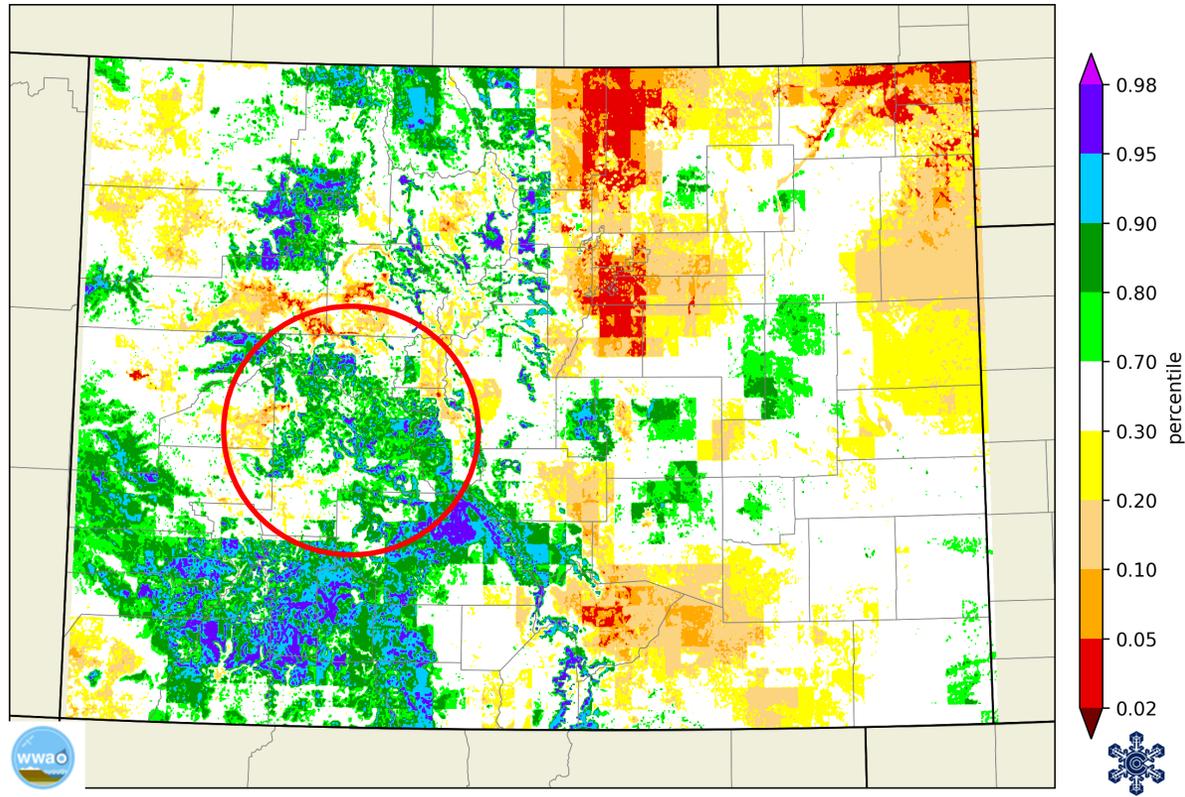
As of February 6, 2026
NRCS



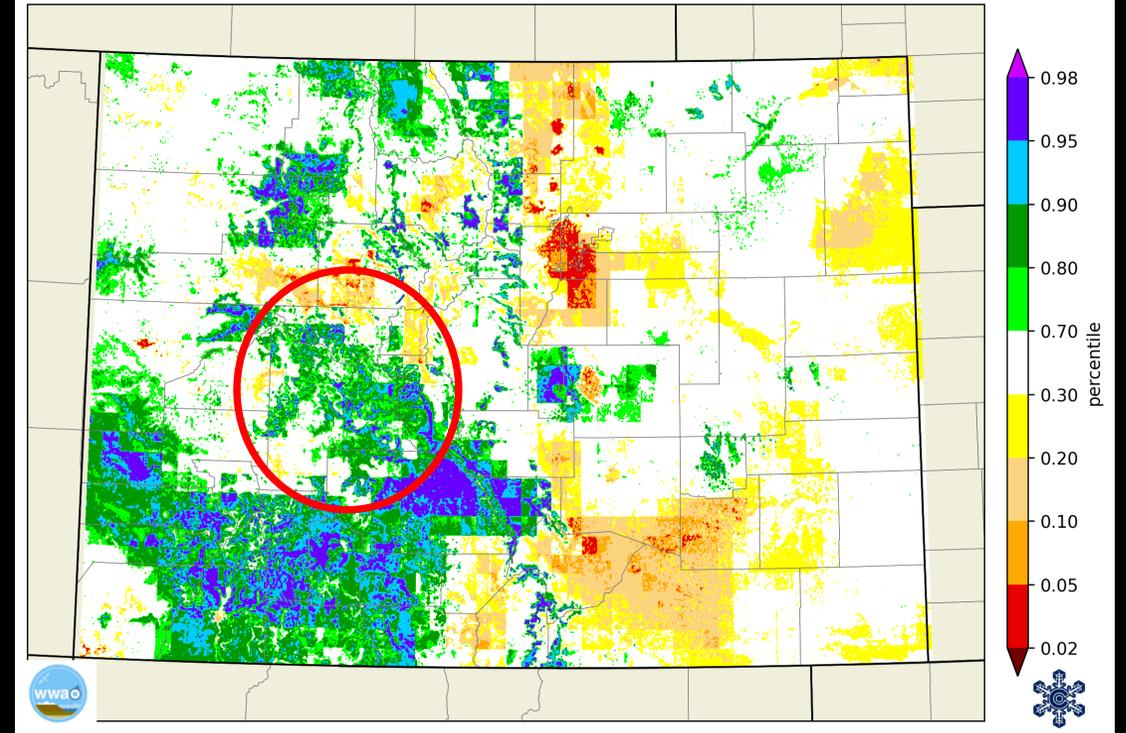
Soil Moisture

As of January 30, 2026
Colorado Climate Center

WLDAS 10-cm Soil moisture percentile, 30 Jan 2026



WLDAS 1-meter Soil moisture percentile, 30 Jan 2026



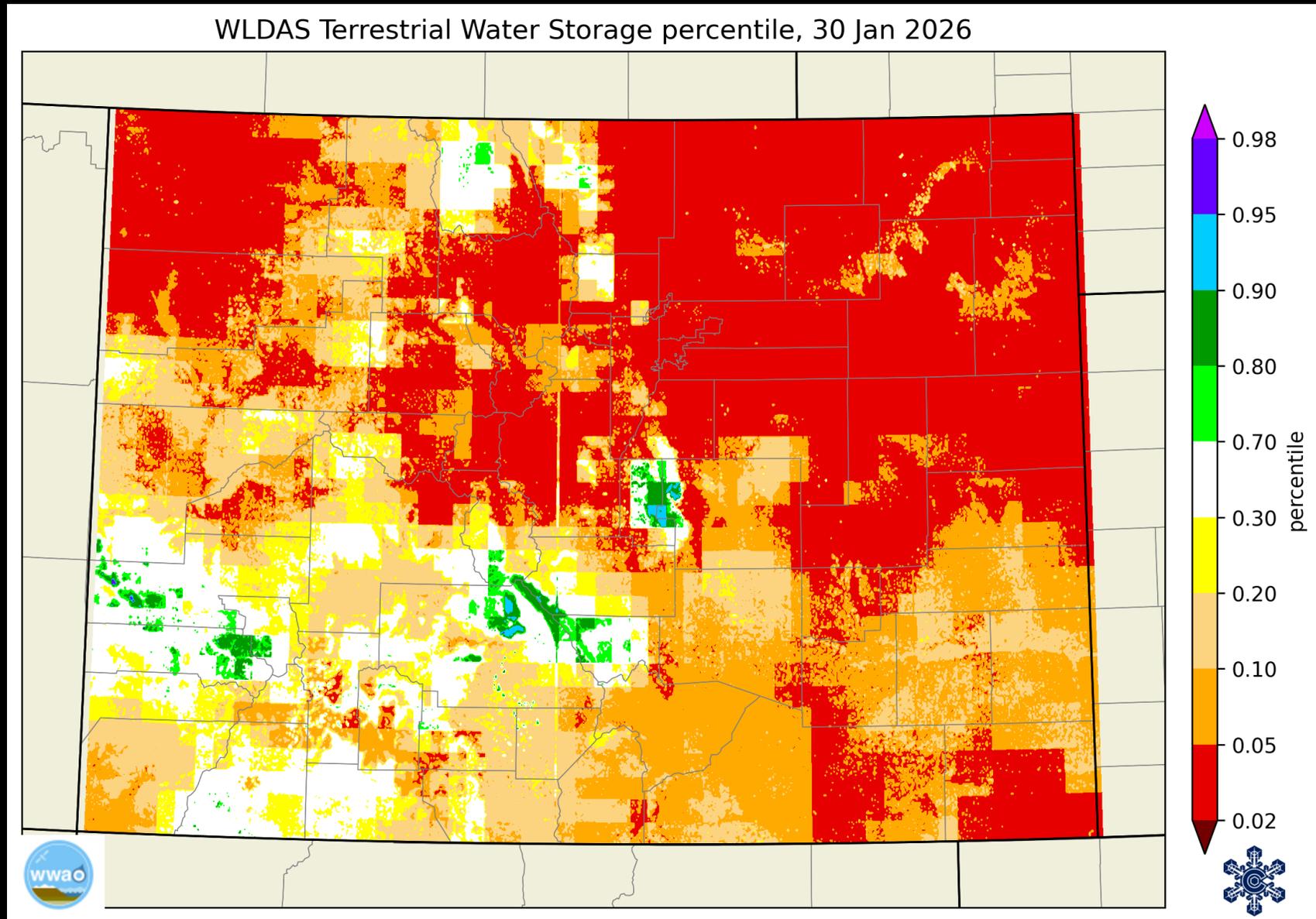
Soil Moisture at the 10 cm level is in the range of the 30th to 98th percentile of water by volume throughout the County

At the 1-meter level the range is the same.

Terrestrial Water Storage

As of January 30, 2026
Colorado Climate Center

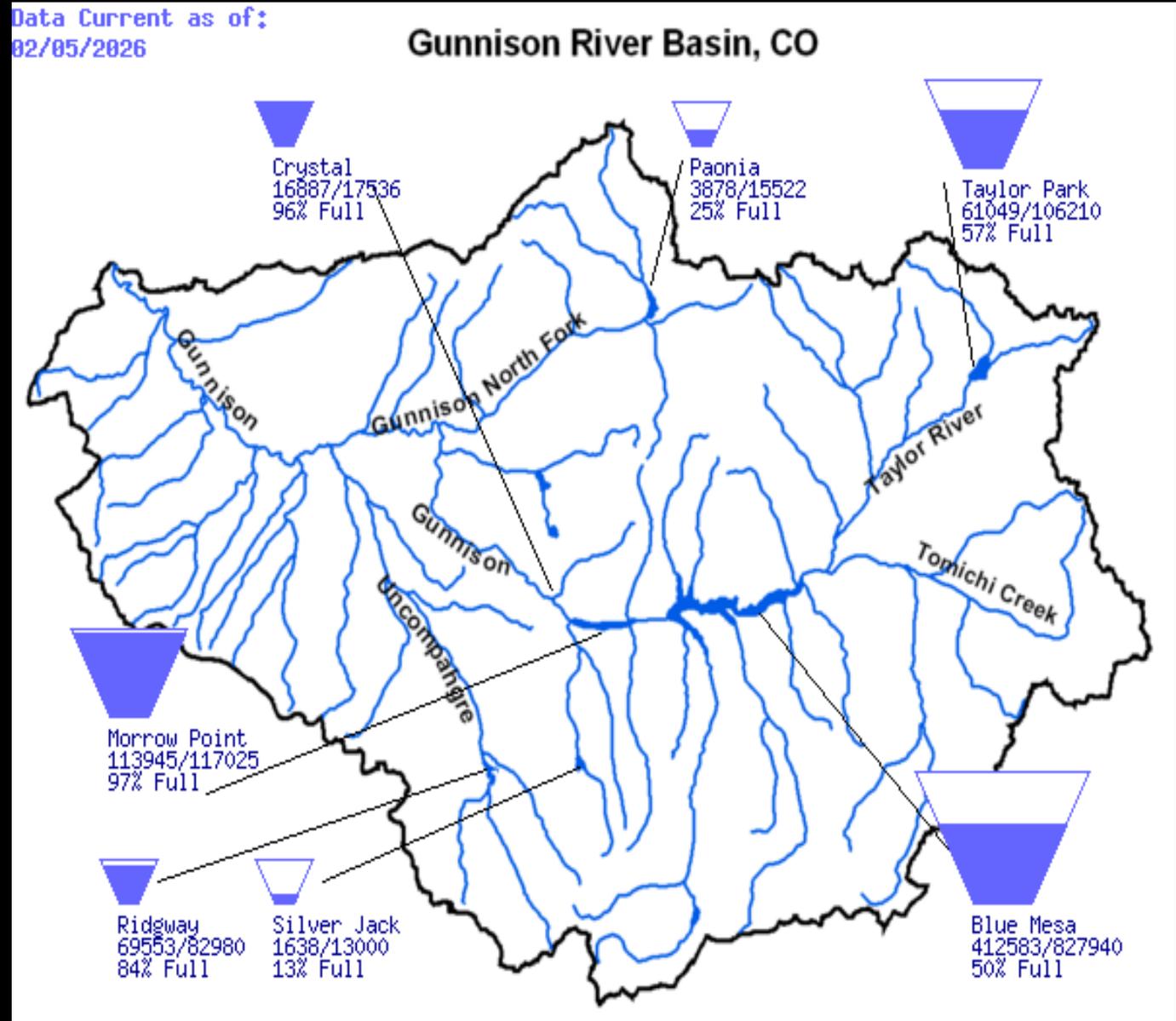
Range is 2nd percentile to
70th percentile when
adding in current
snowpack



Reservoir Storage Gunnison River Basin

as of February 5, 2026
(Bureau of Reclamation)

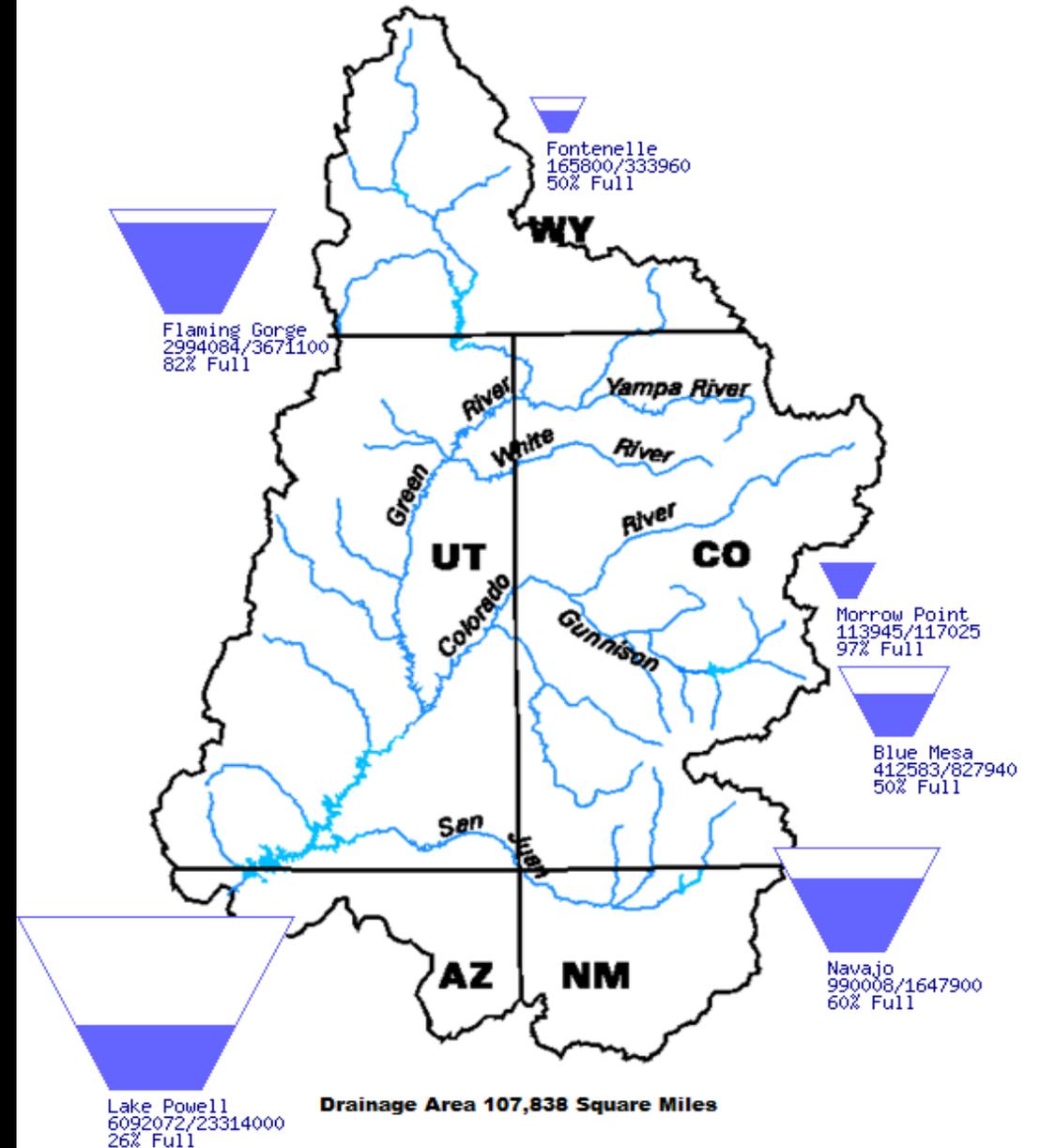
- Reservoir storage for the entire Gunnison Basin is currently at 60% of average.
- Reservoir storage for the Upper Gunnison Basin (Taylor and Blue Mesa) is at 53.5% of average.
- In 2025, Blue Mesa ended the water year at 417,862 acre-feet which is 50% of capacity.



Upper Colorado River Drainage Basin

Reservoir Storage Upper Colorado River Drainage Basin as of February 5, 2026 (Bureau of Reclamation)

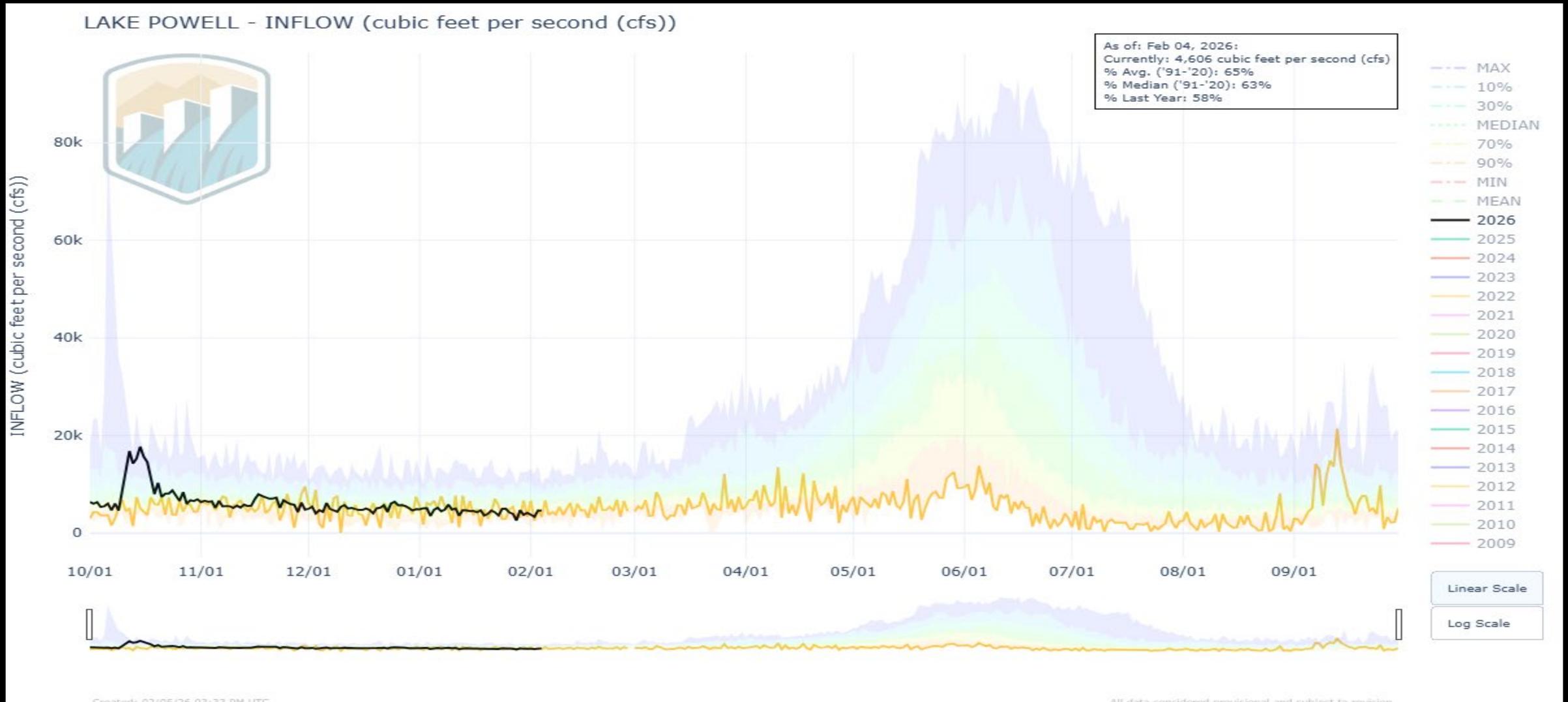
- Flaming Gorge – 82% full
- Fontenelle – 50% Full
- Morrow Point – 97% full
- Blue Mesa – 50% full
- Navajo – 60% full
- Lake Powell – 26% full
- Total Upper Colorado Storage - 61%



Lake Powell Inflows

as of February 4, 2026

(Bureau of Reclamation)



*Cloud Seeding
Upper Gunnison River Basin
as of January 30, 2026
(North American Weather Consultants)*

25-26 program began on
November 15th

Thank you, Gunnison
County, for your
partnership

3 seeded storms in
December

3 seeded storms in
January

121 Manual Generator
Hours – December

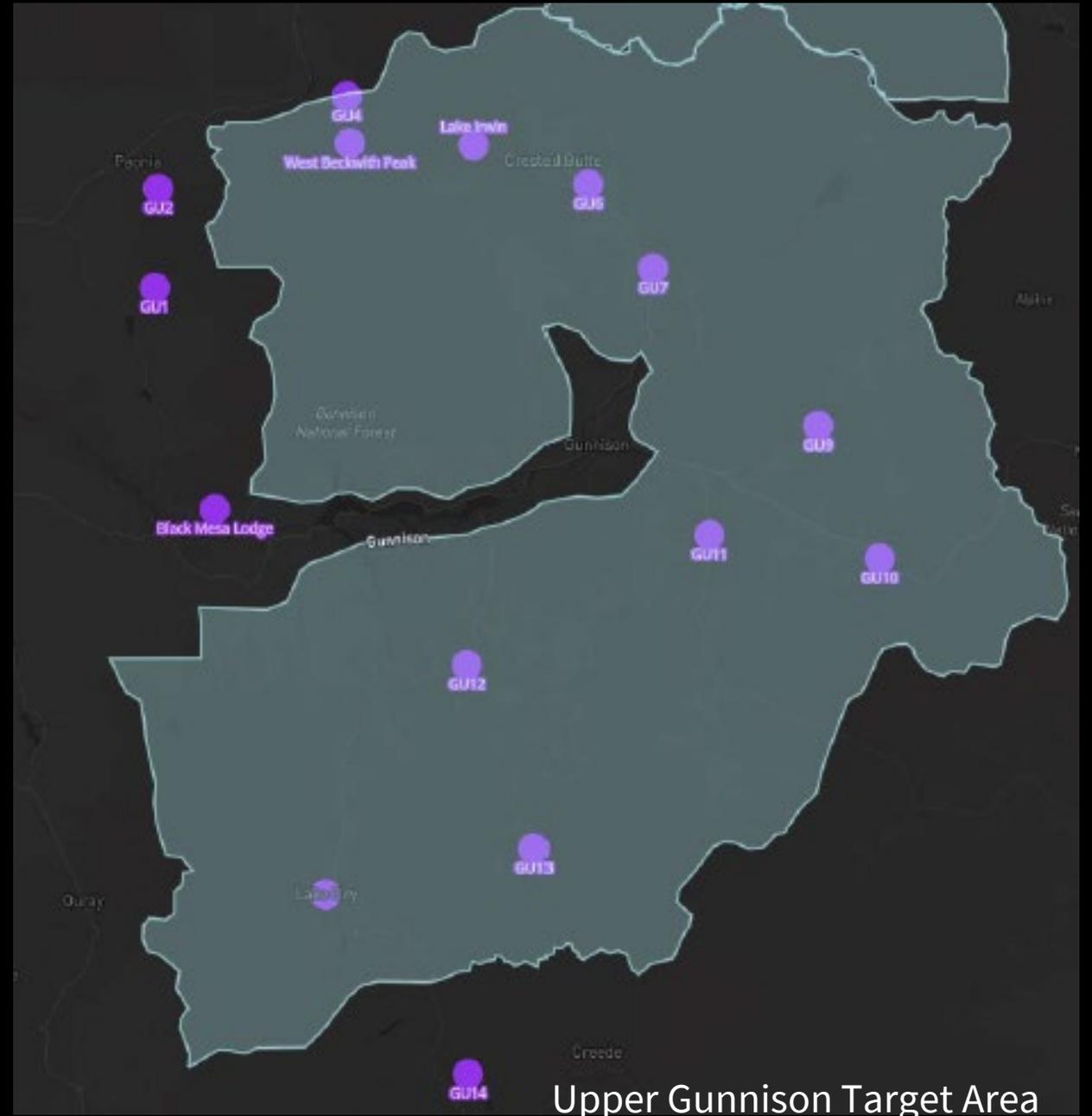
234 Manual Generator
Hours - January

4 Remote Generator
Hours – December

47 Remote Generator
Hours - January

Total of 9.4” SWE
accumulation during
seeded events for both
months

No seeding suspensions
occurred due to
avalanche concerns



Upper Gunnison Target Area

Questions?

beverly@ugrwcd.org



AGENDA ITEM or FINAL CONTRACT REVIEW SUBMITTAL FORM

Agenda Item: Upper Gunnison River Water Conservation District (

Action Requested: Discussion

Parties to the Agreement:

Term Begins:

Term Ends:

Grant Contract #:

Summary:

Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy District Update

Fiscal Impact:

Submitted by: Holly Perry

Submitter's Email Address: hperry@gunnisoncounty.org

Finance Review:

Required

Not Required

Comments:

Reviewed by:

Discharge Date:

County Attorney Review:

Required

Not Required

Comments:

Reviewed by:

Discharge Date:

Certificate of Insurance Required

Yes No

County Manager Review:

Comments:

Reviewed by: GUNCOUNTY1\mbirmie

Discharge Date: 2/5/2026

Consent Agenda

Regular Agenda

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Time Allotted: 45

Agenda Date: 2/10/2026

Colorado River Updates

Amy Ostdiek & Michelle Garrison

Interstate, Federal, and Water Information Section

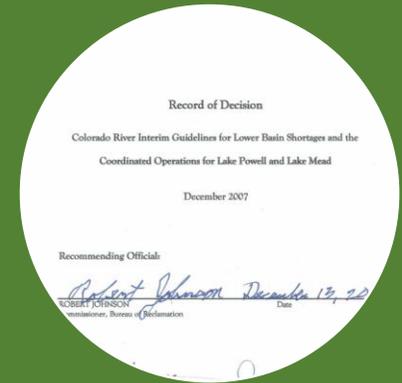
January 26, 2026

Colorado Water Conservation Board Meeting



COLORADO
Colorado Water
Conservation Board
Department of Natural Resources

Post-2026 Operations of Lakes Powell and Mead



2024

December: Upper Division States submit refinements to Alternative (originally submitted March 2024) for Reclamation to model

2025

January: Reclamation releases alternatives report

2026

2007 Interim Guidelines expire
February: DOI requests details of deal by February 14



Draft EIS: General Observations

- No preferred alternative identified
- Interim period intended to be approximately 20 years, but Secretary is open to shorter duration or phased implementation as part of a longer-term framework
- Geographic scope is limited to Lake Powell and below, but upstream actions impacting Lake Powell are contemplated
- A consensus-based approach incorporating elements or variations of Draft EIS alternatives may be analyzed in final EIS



Draft EIS: Alternatives Overview

- **No Action Alternative**
- **Basic Coordination Alternative (Federal Authorities)**
- **Enhanced Coordination Alternative (Federal Authorities Hybrid / Basin Tribes and federal agencies)**
- **Maximum Operational Flexibility Alternative (Cooperative Conservation Alternative / NGOs)**
- **Supply Driven Alternative (Adapted from BS discussions)**



Draft EIS: Operational Elements

- Guidelines to reduce or increase deliveries from Mead
- Coordinated reservoir operations (Lake Powell release)
- Storage and delivery of conserved water
- Additional activities above Powell



No Action Alternative

Guidelines to Reduce or Increase Deliveries from Mead

- Lower Basin shortages based on Mead elevations
- Distributed based on priority, up to 600,000 ac-ft

Coordinated Reservoir Operations

- Powell release is 8.23 MAF with potential for equalization at certain Powell elevations
- Releases below 8.23 MAF below Powell 3490' for infrastructure protection

Storage and Delivery of Conserved Water

- No new Intentionally Created Surplus in Lower Basin; existing ICS based on agreements

Additional Activities Above Powell

- No specific Upper Basin activities included

Basic Coordination Alternative

Guidelines to Reduce or Increase Deliveries from Mead

- Lower Basin shortages based on Mead elevations
- Distributed based on priority, up to 1.48 MAF

Coordinated Reservoir Operations

- Powell release is based on Powell elevation, ranging from 7-9.5 MAF

Storage and Delivery of Conserved Water

- No new Intentionally Created Surplus in Lower Basin; existing ICS based on agreements

Additional Activities Above Powell

- CRSP Upstream Initial Unit releases within Records of Decision and contingent on hydrologic conditions to protect Glen Canyon Dam
- No Upper Basin conservation, as “it would require agreements outside of Reclamation’s control.”

Enhanced Coordination Alternative

Guidelines to Reduce or Increase Deliveries from Mead

- Lower Basin shortages based on combined Powell and Mead storage
- Shortages distributed pro rata; begin at 1.3MAF at 60% full and increase to 3.0MAF at 30% and below

Coordinated Reservoir Operations

- Powell release is based on combination of Powell and Mead elevations, 10-year hydrology, and Lower Basin deliveries
- Range from 4.7 – 10.8MAF, based on “target distribution curve,” with more water in Powell at lower elevations

Storage and Delivery of Conserved Water

- Up to 5 MAF Lower Basin pool in Mead (including existing ICS) + 2.0MAF federal protection pool
- Up to 2 MAF in Powell

Additional Activities Above Powell

- Upper Basin conservation based on hydrologic conditions, up to 200kaf/year for first five years; up to 275kaf/year for years 6-10; 350kaf/year starting in year 11 (up to 2.0maf); converted to “system water” under certain conditions

Maximum Operational Flexibility Alternative

Guidelines to Reduce or Increase Deliveries from Mead

- Lower Basin shortages based on “total system storage” and recent hydrology
- Shortages distributed by priority beginning at 80% storage, up to 4.0 MAF

Coordinated Reservoir Operations

- Powell release is based on total Upper Basin system storage and recent hydrology
- Range from 5 – 11 MAF

Storage and Delivery of Conserved Water

- Up to 8.0 MAF in Powell or Mead
- Extensive flexibilities for transactions within and across basins

Additional Activities Above Powell

- Upper Basin conservation based on hydrologic conditions, averaging 200kaf/year, up to 500kaf/year

Supply-Driven Alternative

Guidelines to Reduce or Increase Deliveries from Mead

- Lower Basin reductions based on Mead elevations
- Shortages up to 2.1MAF starting at 1145' at Mead, reaching max at 1000' and below; pro rata and priority distribution at varying levels

Coordinated Reservoir Operations

- Powell release is 65% of the preceding 3-year average natural flow at Lees Ferry
- Constrained between 4.7 – 12 MAF

Storage and Delivery of Conserved Water

- Up to 8 MAF in Mead
- Up to 3 MAF in Powell

Additional Activities Above Powell

- CRSP Upstream Initial Unit releases up to 500kaf/year within existing RODs and contingent on hydrologic conditions to protect Glen Canyon Dam
- 200kaf annual conservation based on hydrologic conditions contributed to Powell conservation Powell
- “Gap water” introduced when water year release cannot be met

AGENDA ITEM or FINAL CONTRACT REVIEW SUBMITTAL FORM

Agenda Item: Gunnison County Metropolitan Recreation District U

Action Requested: Discussion

Parties to the Agreement:

Term Begins:

Term Ends:

Grant Contract #:

Summary:

Gunnison County Metropolitan Recreation District Update

Fiscal Impact:

Submitted by: Holly Perry

Submitter's Email Address: hperry@gunnisoncounty.org

Finance Review:

Required

Not Required

Comments:

Reviewed by:

Discharge Date:

County Attorney Review:

Required

Not Required

Comments:

Reviewed by:

Discharge Date:

Certificate of Insurance Required

Yes No

County Manager Review:

Comments:

Reviewed by: GUNCOUNTY1\mbirmie

Discharge Date: 2/5/2026

Consent Agenda

Regular Agenda

Worksession

Time Allotted: 60

Agenda Date: 2/10/2026

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BOCC/MetRec Work Session

February 10, 2026

Gunnison County Metropolitan Recreation District

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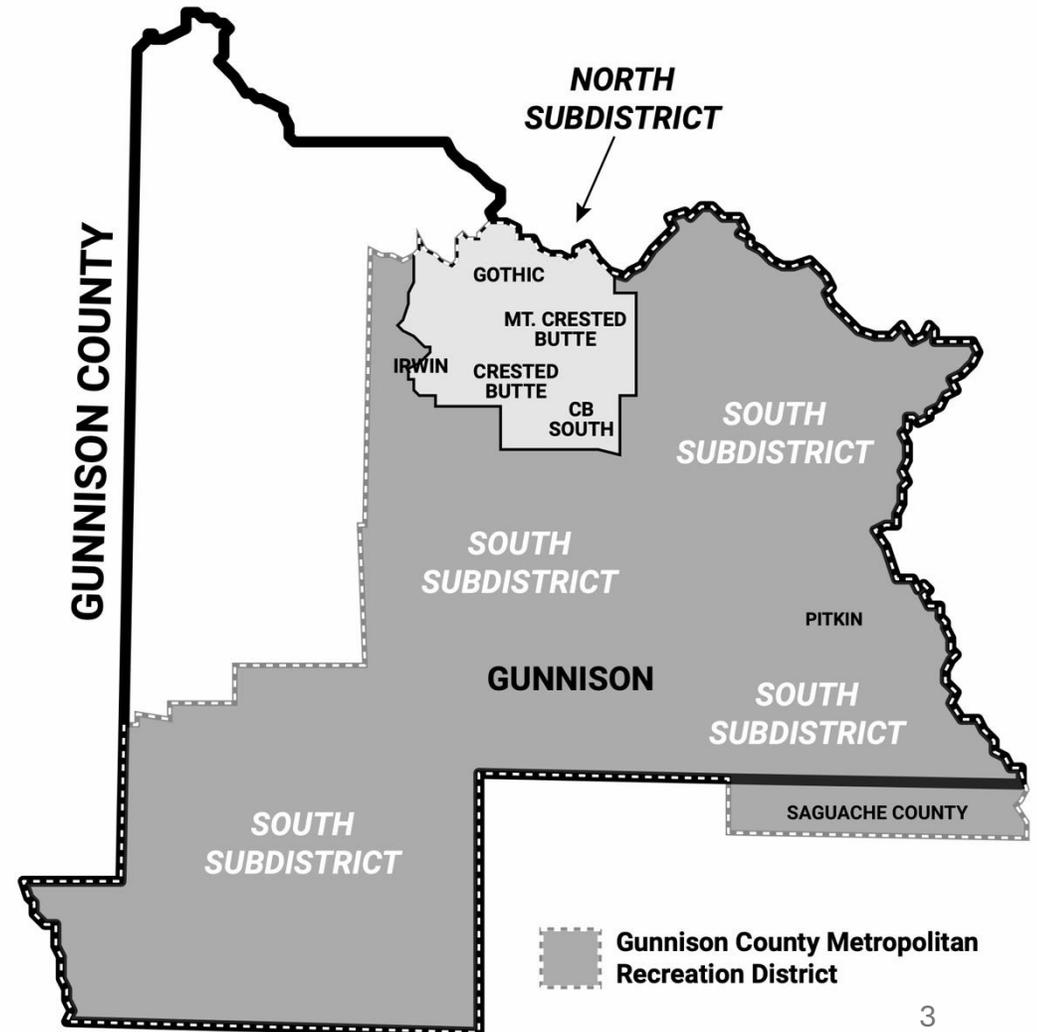
- Note that not all this information will be presented in detail. The intent is to share it now, so the BOCC has it for reference.

MetRec's Map and Mills

Mill levies 2026 = \$2.8M

- District-wide – 1.0 mill (passed 7D 2018) = ~\$1.3M and covers admin, TV operations, and recreation costs for the district
- North Subdistrict – 2.0 mills (6B passed 2022) = ~\$1.5M and can only be spent on recreation grants and initiatives.

Gunnison County Metropolitan Recreation District Boundary Map



Service Plan

AMENDED SERVICE PLAN
OF THE GUNNISON COUNTY METROPOLITAN
RECREATION DISTRICT
APRIL, 2001

This Amended Service Plan is prepared and submitted pursuant to Section 32-1-201 et. Seq. C.R.S. 1973 as amended. The original Service Plan was amended by the addition of paragraph 1.9(b) as set forth below.

1. PROPOSED SERVICE.

(a) The proponents of the Gunnison County Metropolitan Recreation District propose to offer television and FM translator service within the confines of the proposed District.

(b) Park & Recreation Service. The District shall have the authority to provide park and recreation services and facilities subject to compliance with all laws and regulations as set forth below:

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MetRec's Organization and Affiliations

BOARD

- Cassia Cadenhead - Board President and Chair
- Keith Bauer – Treasurer
- Mary McCallister
- Sharon Mills
- Dave Wiens

STAFF

- Derrick Nehrenberg – Executive Director
- Mary Nolan – Administrative Coordinator
- Emily Hatton – Project Coordinator
- Bill Frost – TV Engineer (Contractor)

NORTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- Janna Hanson – Town of Crested Butte
- Derek Harwell – Crested Butte South POA
- Addison Ives – Town of Mount Crested Butte
- Than Acuff – Crested Butte High School and Crested Butte Community High School Boys Soccer Coach
- Hedda Peterson – Crested Butte Nordic
- Jillian Liebl – Crested Butte Center For the Arts

SOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- Dan Vollendorf – City of Gunnison Parks and Recreation Director
- Matt Quinn – Gunnison Ranger District
- Tim Kugler – Gunnison Trails Executive Director
- Nick Catmur – Sustainable Tourism and Outdoor Recreation Committee
- Lana Athey – Gunnison Tough
- Alysa Vandenheuval – Gunnison Arts Center

BOARD COMMITTEES

FINANCE

Cassia Cadenhead

Keith Bauer

OPERATIONS

Sharon Mills

Dave Wiens

RECREATION

Mary McCallister

Dave Wiens

ADMIN

Cassia Cadenhead

Keith Bauer

INDEPENDENT GRANT COMMITTEE

- Rob Strickland
- Katie Neben
- Bridget Eastep
- Jolene Drieth
- Tom Heine

AFFILIATIONS

- Colorado Special District Association
- Sustainable Tourism Outdoor Recreation Committee
- Town of Crested Butte PROST Planning

MetRec's Recent Ballot Issues

Ballot Issue 7D (2018) – Repealed TABOR, DeBruced the District, and provided funds for Recreation and TV

EXHIBIT A

Gunnison County Metropolitan Recreation District
Ballot Question– November 2018

SHALL THE GUNNISON COUNTY METROPOLITAN RECREATION DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED \$66,537 (\$151 for Saguache County, \$66,386 for Gunnison County) IN 2019 (THE FIRST FISCAL YEAR) AND BY WHATEVER AMOUNTS MAY BE GENERATED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY AN IMPOSITION OF AN ADDITIONAL MILL LEVY OF NOT TO EXCEED 0.127 MILLS, FOR A TOTAL MILL LEVY OF NOT MORE THAN 1.0 MILL (RETURNING TO THE PRE-TABOR MILL LEVY AT THE TIME THE DISTRICT WAS CREATED IN 1978) UPON TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE DISTRICT, COMMENCING WITH TAXES COLLECTED IN 2019 FOR TAXES DUE FOR 2018, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEFRAYING THE OPERATING EXPENSES OF THE DISTRICT AND PROVIDING FUNDS TO IMPROVE, MAINTAIN AND EXPAND TELEVISION SERVICES, AND FOR PLANNING AND FUNDING NEW RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND TRAILS, AND/OR OTHER LAWFUL DISTRICT PURPOSES AND SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT AND RETAIN AND SPEND ALL REVENUES FROM ITS PROPERTY TAXES AND THE EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF SUCH REVENUES AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND AN EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITS WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE APPLY UNDER ARTICLE X SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR SECTION 29-1-301 COLORADO REVISED STATUTES OR ANY OTHER LAW AND WITHOUT LIMITING IN ANY YEAR THE AMOUNT OF OTHER REVENUES THAT MAY BE COLLECTED AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT?

*This ballot issue passed (in the North by 73% and failed in the South Subdistrict)

Ballot Issue 6B (2022) – North Subdistrict Ballot issue to support capital, nonprofit operation support, and community grants

SHALL THE NORTH SUBDISTRICT OF GUNNISON COUNTY METROPOLITAN RECREATION DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED BY AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$930,000.00 IN 2023 (THE FIRST FISCAL YEAR), AND BY WHATEVER AMOUNTS MAY BE GENERATED ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY AN IMPOSITION OF AN ADDITIONAL MILL LEVY OF 2.0 MILLS FOR A NEW TOTAL MILL LEVY OF 3.0 MILLS UPON TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE NORTHERN SUBDISTRICT, OR SUCH LESSER AMOUNT AS THE BOARD OF THE GUNNISON COUNTY METROPOLITAN RECREATION DISTRICT MAY ANNUALLY DETERMINE COMMENCING WITH TAXES COLLECTED IN 2023 FOR TAXES DUE FOR 2022.

THE FUNDS SHALL BE USED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE NORTH SUBDISTRICT FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

30-60% OF SUCH FUNDS SHALL BE ALLOCATED FOR THE PURPOSES OF CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION OF TRAILS, FIELDS, HOCKEY RINKS, CULTURAL CENTERS, RECREATION CENTERS, OR OTHER PHYSICAL IMPROVEMENTS, ACCESSIBLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC, THAT SUPPORT CULTURAL OR ACTIVE RECREATION (OTHER THAN TELEVISION) AND/OR THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY OR EASEMENTS THAT PERMANENTLY PROVIDE OR SUPPORT ACCESS TO SUCH RECREATION. SUCH FUNDS MAY BE SPENT ANNUALLY OR PUT IN A CAPITAL RESERVE FUND;

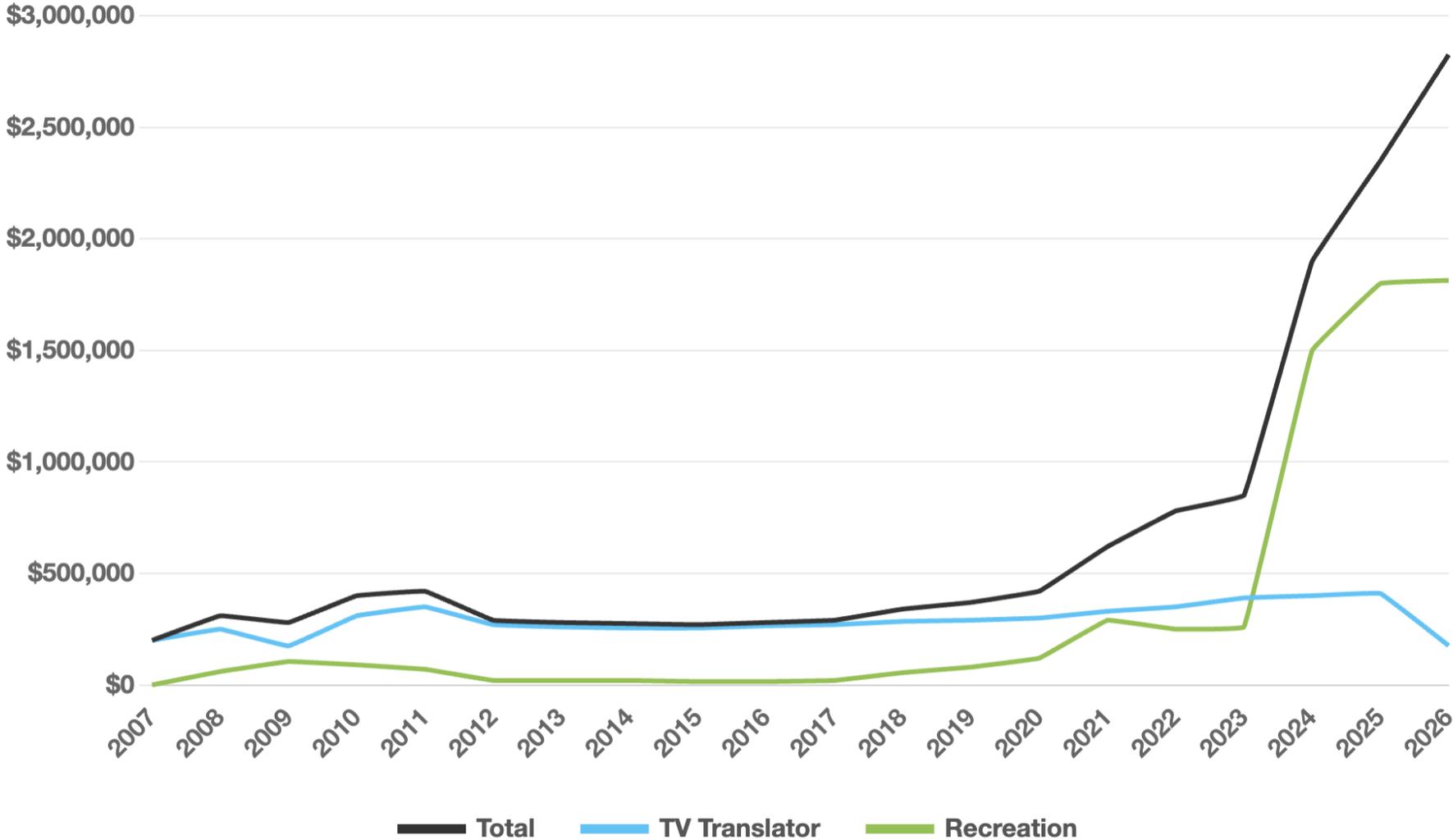
30-60% OF SUCH FUNDS SHALL BE ALLOCATED FOR THE PURPOSES OF SUPPORTING LOCAL NONPROFITS THAT SUPPORT RECREATION, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO OPERATIONS, TRAIL MAINTENANCE, ACCESS, EDUCATION, SAFETY, AND EQUIPMENT. THE DISTRICT MUST SPEND THESE FUNDS ANNUALLY;

10-40% OF SUCH FUNDS SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO ANY MUNICIPALITY OR GOVERNMENT AGENCY OR LOCAL NON-PROFIT FOR THE PURPOSES OF MAINTAINING THE QUALITY OF RECREATIONAL EXPERIENCES BY PROPERTY TAX OWNERS ON LANDS ACCESSIBLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC, INCLUDING OPERATING AND/OR CAPITAL COSTS, SUCH AS BUT NOT LIMITED TO CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF TRAILS, BATHROOMS, PARKING, SIGNAGE, EDUCATION, AND ENFORCEMENT. SUCH FUNDS MAY BE SPENT ANNUALLY OR PUT IN A CAPITAL RESERVE FUND.

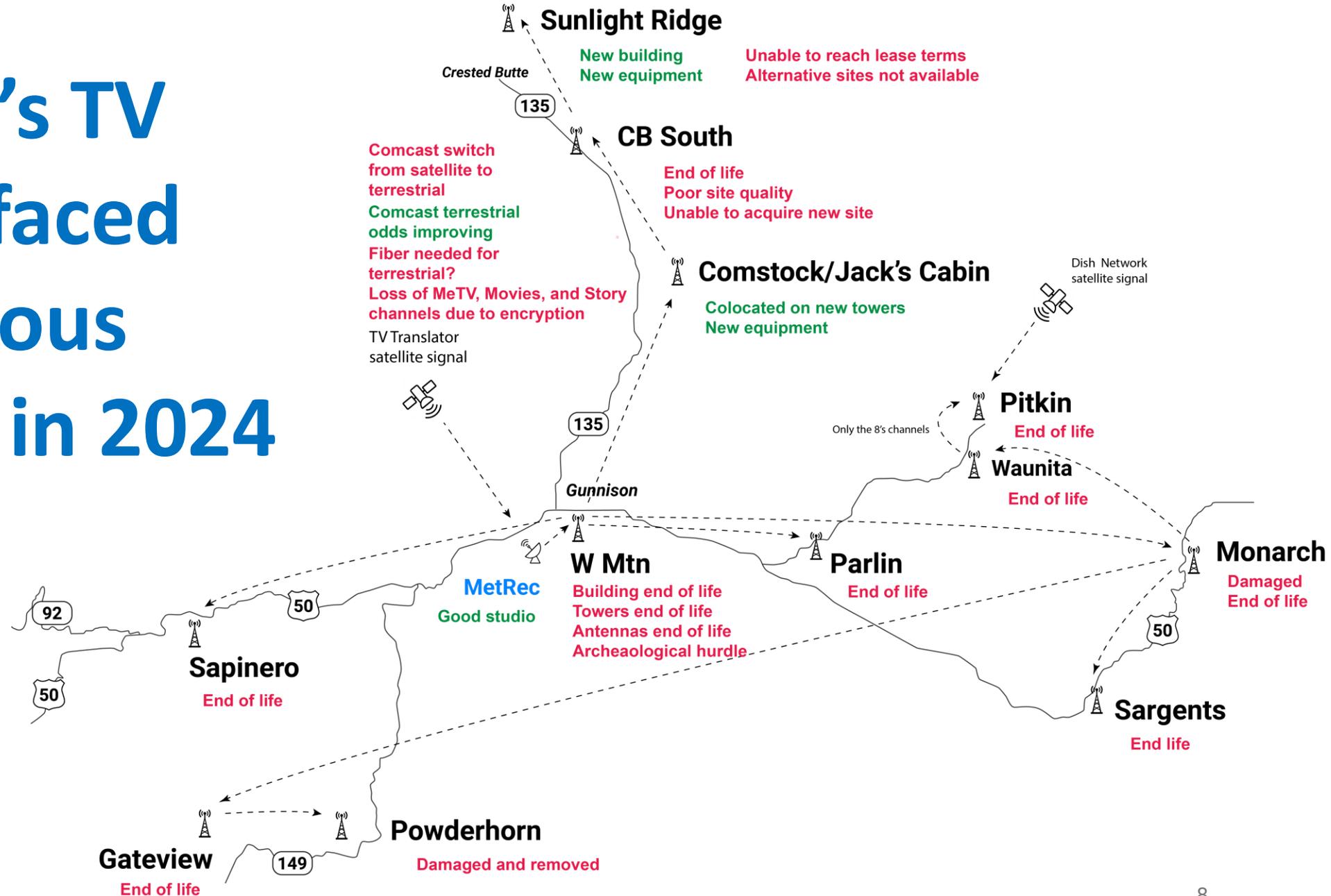
AND SHALL THE DISTRICT BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT AND RETAIN AND SPEND ALL REVENUES FROM SUCH TAXES AND THE EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF SUCH REVENUES WITH FUNDS MANAGED IN AN ACCOUNT DEDICATED TO SUPPORTING INITIATIVES IDENTIFIED IN THIS BALLOT MEASURE AND NECESSARILY SEPARATE FROM GENERAL DISTRICT FUNDS AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND AN EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITS WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE APPLY UNDER ARTICLE X SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR SECTION 29-1-301 COLORADO REVISED STATUTES OR ANY OTHER LAW?

*This ballot issue passed by 63%.

MetRec's Budget 2007 – 2026

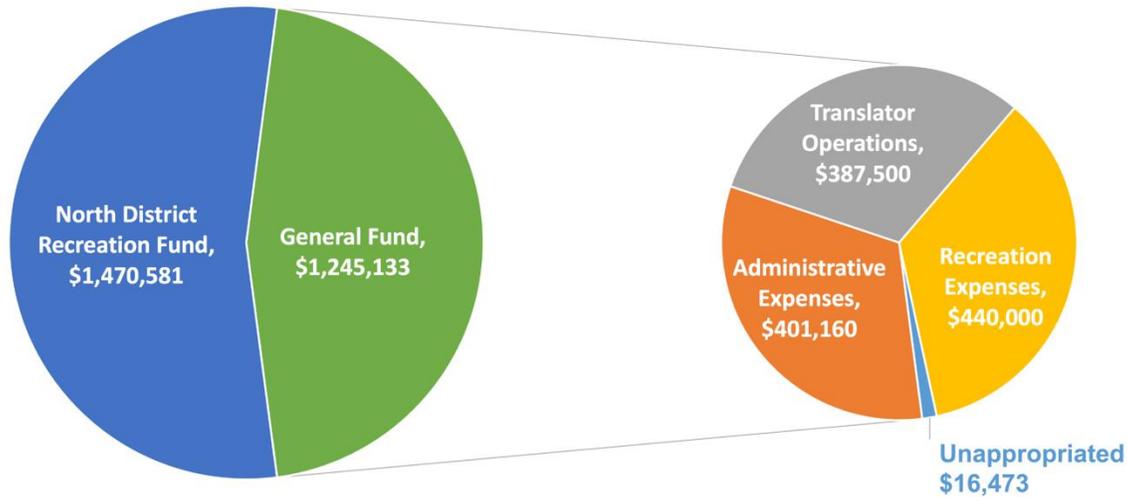


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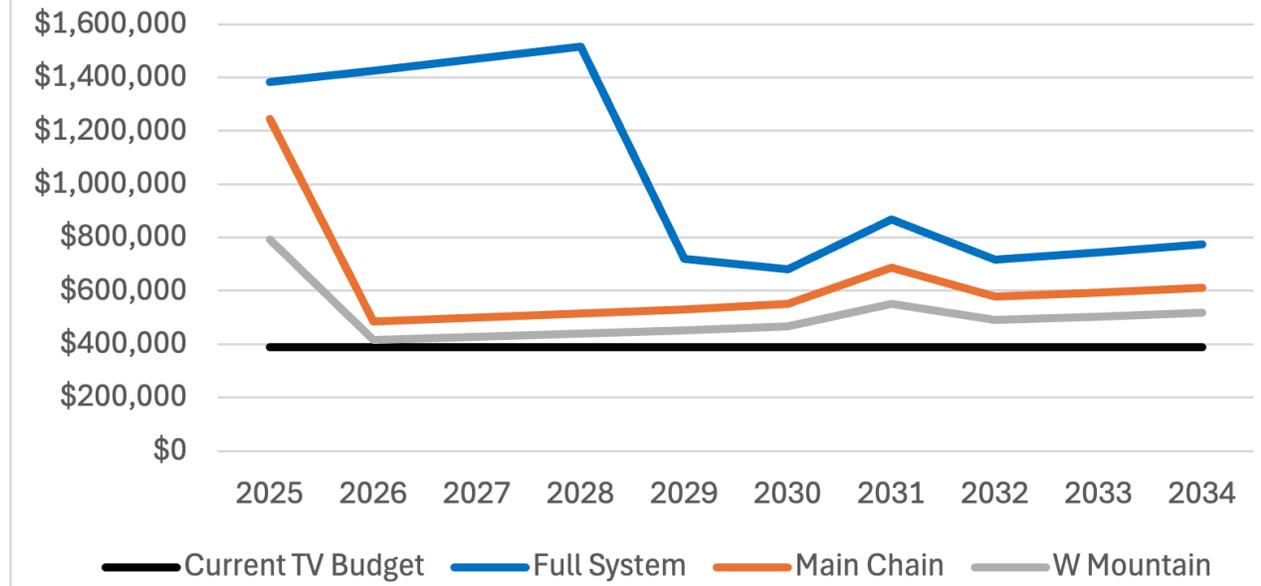


Why did MetRec resolve to discontinue TV?

MetRec 2025 Budget By Fund



Comparison of MetRec's TV Current Budget and Estimated TV Capital and Operation Costs



- The cost to upgrade and maintain even W Mountain alone exceeded the 2025 TV budget of ~\$400K annually.



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REGIONAL RECREATION MASTER PLAN

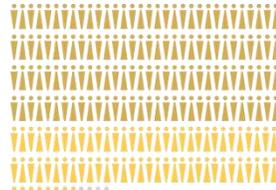


2023 Survey Results

COMMUNITY SURVEY RESULTS metrec

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

NORTHERN SUBDISTRICT



642 RESPONSES
14.3% RESPONSE RATE

22 MISSING ZIP CODE

SOUTHERN SUBDISTRICT

366 RESPONSES
3.1% RESPONSE RATE

1,000+RESPONSES
= 5 RESPONDANTS

RECREATION IMPORTANCE



OUTDOOR IMPORTANCE



INDOOR IMPORTANCE



♥ OUTDOORS!

RESPONSES SHOW A VALLEY WIDE CONSENSUS! OUTDOOR RECREATION IS IMPORTANT, AVAILABLE, AND REGULARLY ENJOYED.

OPPORTUNITIES!

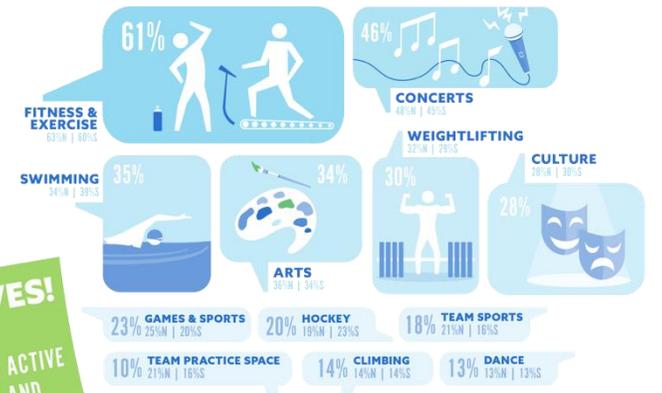
WHILE RATED LESS IMPORTANT THAN OUTDOOR RECREATION, AVAILABILITY FOR INDOOR RECREATION WAS STILL NOTED AS LOW.

OUTDOOR RECREATION WHAT WE LOVE!

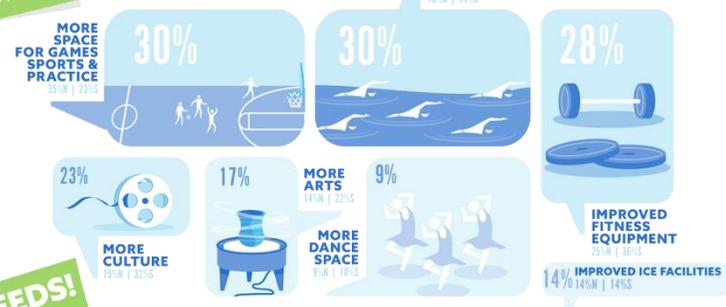


TOP LOVES!
THE VALLEY IS CERTAINLY AN ACTIVE AREA! HIKING AND GENERAL FITNESS TOPPED BOTH LISTS!

INDOOR RECREATION WHAT WE LOVE!

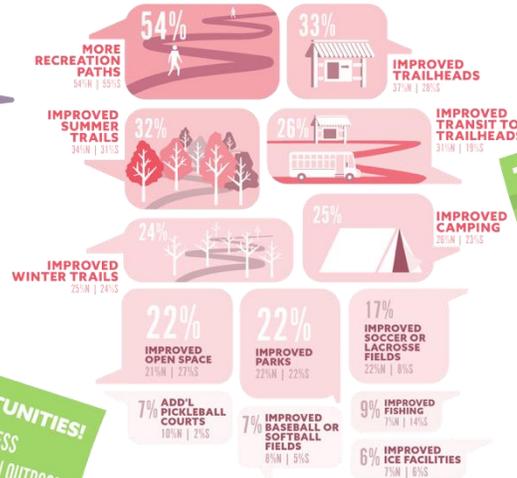


WHAT WE NEED!



TOP NEEDS!
ALL THAT LOVE OF HIKING AND FITNESS NATURALLY LEADS TOWARDS A NEED FOR MORE PATHS AND MORE SPACE FOR GAMES, SWIMMING, AND PRACTICE!

WHAT WE NEED!



REGIONAL RECREATION MASTER PLANNING

MASTER PLAN IMPORTANCE



YES!

2025 Regional Recreation Planning Survey Results

WHAT WOULD YOU SPEND ON?

RESPONDENTS WERE ASKED HOW THEY WOULD SPEND \$10 ON RECREATION PROGRAMMING & FACILITIES IN THE DISTRICT- HERE ARE THE RESULTS!



OUTDOOR MOST VITAL

WE ASKED WHICH THREE OUTDOOR AMENITIES WOULD BE MOST VITAL TO THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE

OVERALL

NORTH

SOUTH

#1 REC PATH
(HARDENED ALL WEATHER TRAIL)

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(HARDENED ALL WEATHER TRAIL)

#2 SOFT SURFACE TRAILS

#2 MULTI-USE FIELDS

#2 SOFT SURFACE TRAILS

#3 MULTI-USE FIELDS

#3 SOFT SURFACE TRAILS

#3 WINTER TRAILS

4. RIVER ACCESS
5. WINTER TRAILS
6. RECREATION PATH (HARD SURFACE)
7. OUTDOOR AQUATIC FACILITIES
8. PLAY AREAS/PLAYGROUNDS

4. OUTDOOR AQUATIC FACILITY
5. RECREATION PATH (HARD SURFACE)
6. WINTER TRAILS
7. RIVER ACCESS
8. DOG PARK

4. RIVER ACCESS
5. RECREATION PATH (HARD SURFACE)
6. MULTI-USE FIELDS
7. PLAY AREAS/PLAYGROUNDS
8. PARK AMENITIES

INDOOR MOST VITAL

WE ASKED WHICH THREE AMENITIES WOULD BE MOST VITAL TO THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE

OVERALL

#1 FITNESS AREAS



#2 LAP SWIMMING



#3 WARM WATER ACTIVITY POOL



4. MULTI-ACTIVITY GYMNASIUM
5. INDOOR ICE RINK/MULTI USE ARENA
6. TEEN ZONE
7. INDOOR CLIMBING
8. PICKLEBALL COURTS

NORTH

#1 LAP SWIMMING



#2 WARM WATER ACTIVITY POOL



#3 MULTI-ACTIVITY GYMNASIUM



4. FITNESS AREAS
5. INDOOR CLIMBING
6. TEEN ZONE
7. INDOOR ICE RINK/MULTI USE ARENA
8. INDOOR MULTI-USE FIELD

SOUTH

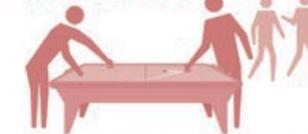
#1 FITNESS AREAS



#2 AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES / CLASSROOMS



#3 TEEN ZONE



4. GROUP EXERCISE ROOMS
5. INDOOR ICE RINK/MULTI USE ARENA
6. PICKLEBALL COURTS
7. DROP-IN CHILD WATCH
8. HOT TUB / SPA

4 Options for the North Valley Rec Center Scope: 3 priced

(base, base+aquatics, base+aquatics+indoor turf)

MULTI-USE INDOOR RECREATION FACILITY

SITE PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

The table below provides preliminary estimates of the facility size, minimum site area, and parking required for different indoor multi-use facilities. The Base Facility would require the smallest footprint with each additional tier requiring additional increases

in required space. The assumed areas should be utilized when vetting possible sites as suitable for facility development. The areas provided are based on County Development Standards and requirements for open space, access, parking, setbacks, etc.

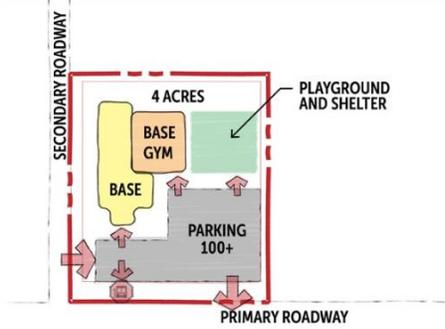
	Facility Size	Minimum Site Area	Parking Needs*
Required / Base Spaces	~40,000 sq ft	3.5+ acres	80 – 120 parking spaces
Base Spaces + Aquatics	~57,000 sq ft	4.5+ acres	140 – 180 parking spaces
Base Spaces + Aquatics + Indoor Turf Field	~71,000 sq ft	5.5+ acres	180 – 220 parking spaces

Note: *Parking could be greatly reduced by locating facilities where they are walkable / bikeable from population centers and have access to transit.

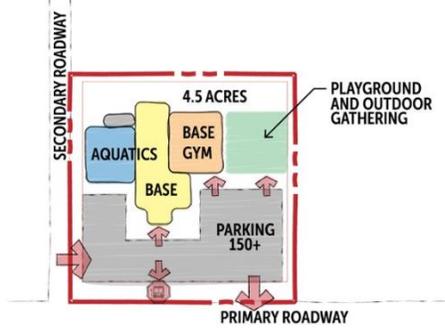
Recreation Center Concept Space Area Costs	Base Spaces	Base Spaces + Aquatics	Base Spaces + Aquatics + Indoor Turf
Total Gross Square Footage	~40,000 SF	~57,000 SF	~71,000 SF
Construction Costs	\$25,600,000	\$46,500,000	\$55,000,000
Site Costs (add 15%)	\$3,900,000	\$7,000,000	\$8,300,000
Soft Costs (add 30%)	\$8,900,000	\$16,000,000	\$19,000,000
Total Cost	\$38,400,000	\$69,500,000 + \$31,100,000	\$82,300,000 + \$12,800,000

Note: Final details and costs are subject to change.
*Based on the Conceptual Spaces Presented | Does Not Include Land Acquisition

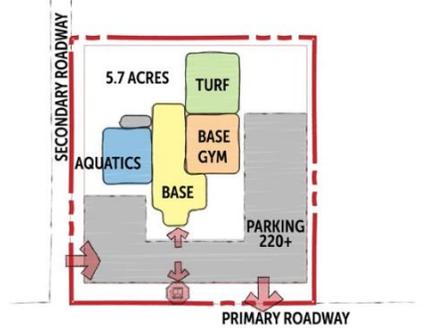
REC CENTER / INDOOR MULTI-USE FACILITY PARTI LAYOUTS



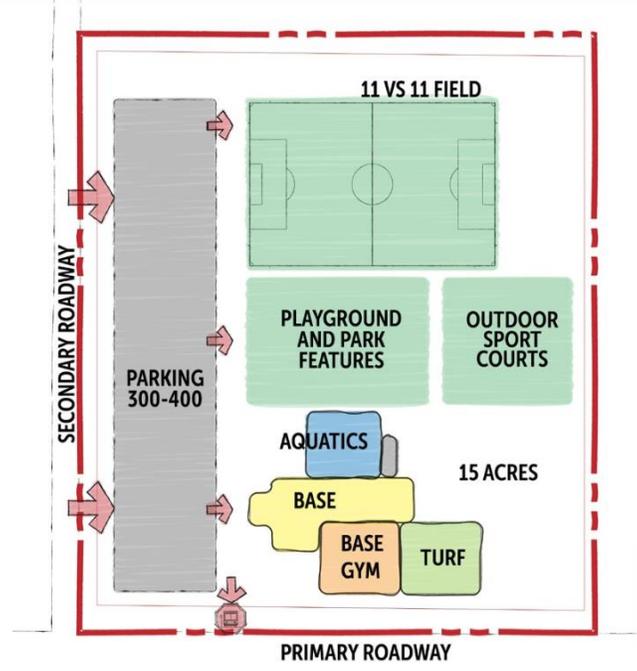
Base Program
4 acres



Base + Aquatics
4.5 acres



Full + Aquatics + Turf
5.7 acres



Full + Aquatics + Indoor Turf Field + Outdoor Programming
15 acres

North Valley Rec Path Priorities

LEGEND

BOUNDARIES

- Town
- BLM
- State
- USFS
- USFS
- Wetlands
- Building
- Water Body

LINES

- Highway
- Major Road
- Road
- Track
- Multi-Use
- Hiking
- Winter

CONNECTIVITY

- Bike Lanes
- Proposed

Bike specific access using road infrastructure, either sharrow or striped bike lanes.

- Rec Paths
- Proposed

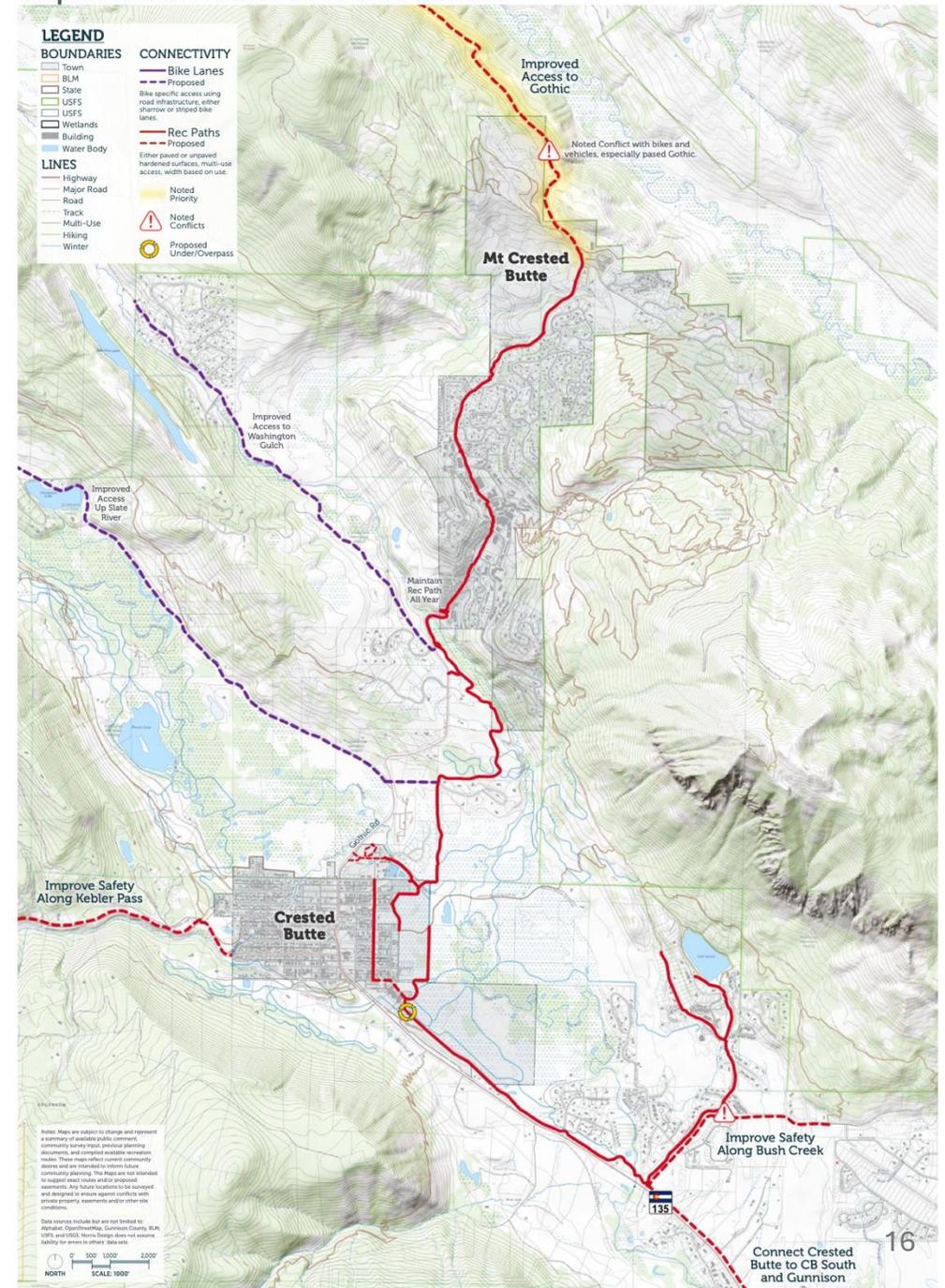
Either paved or unpaved hardened surfaces, multi-use access, width based on use.

- Noted Priority

- Noted Conflicts

- Proposed Under/Overpass

Map of North District Rec Path Priorities



South Valley Rec Path Priorities

LEGEND

BOUNDARIES

- Town
- BLM
- State
- USFS
- USFS
- Wetlands
- Building
- Water Body

LINES

- Highway
- Major Road
- Road
- Track
- Multi-Use
- Hiking
- Winter

CONNECTIVITY

- Bike Lanes
- Proposed

Bike specific access using road infrastructure, either sharrow or striped bike lanes.

- Rec Paths
- Proposed

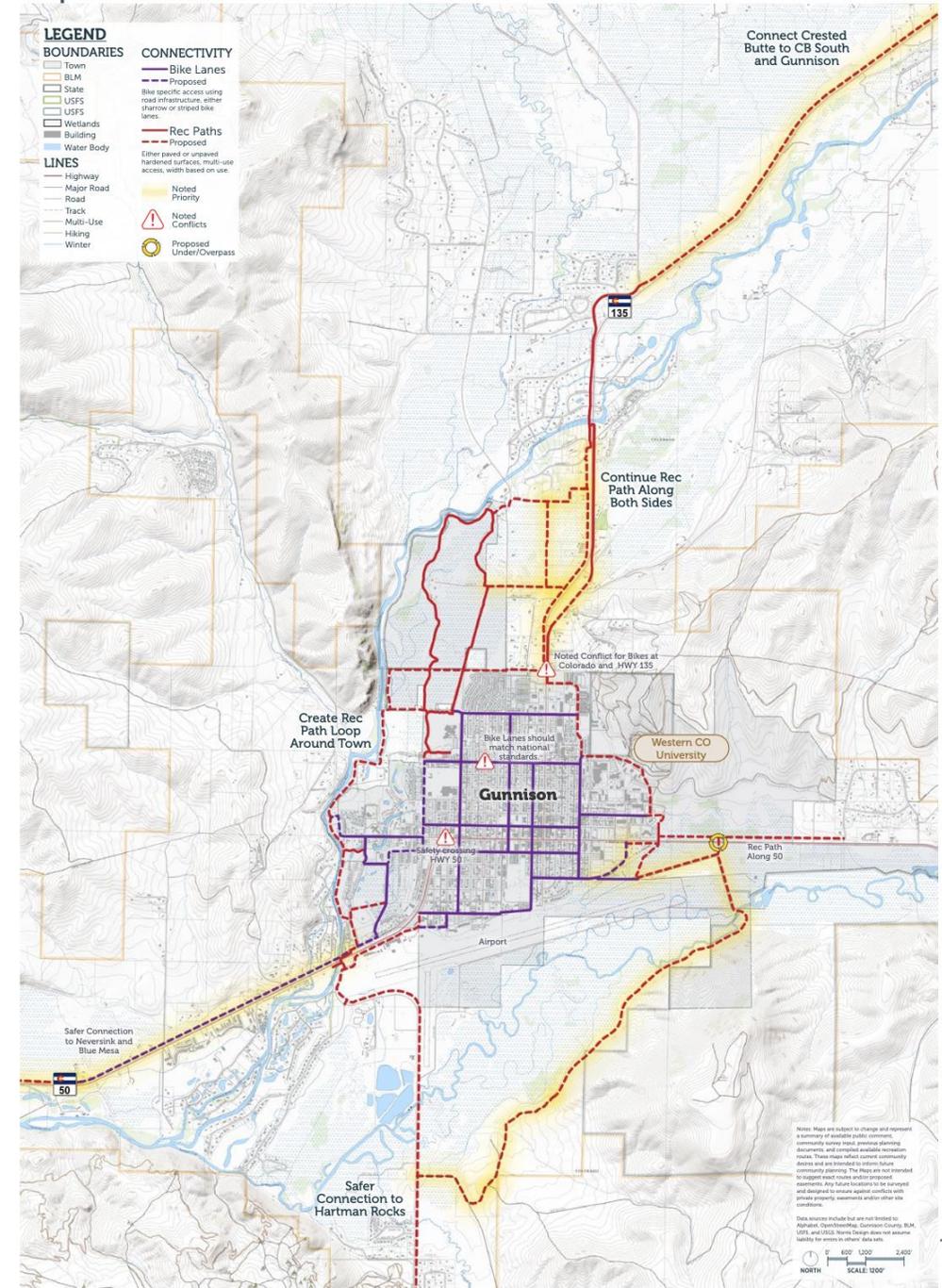
Either paved or unpaved hardened surfaces, multi-use access, width based on use.

- Noted Priority

- Noted Conflicts

- Proposed Under/Overpass

Map of South District Rec Path Priorities



Amphitheater needs in the North and South

OUTDOOR AMPHITHEATER

Two new outdoor amphitheaters are recommended (one in the North and one in the South), to serve the arts and cultural needs of the North and South Subdistrict. The planning team evaluated numerous outdoor amphitheaters as examples, and recommends a semi-formal layout, sized in between the Salida and Montrose examples described below.

Salida Riverside Park Pavilion:

- Layout:** Informal Outdoor Amphitheater
- Capacity:** Under 500 people
- Site Area:** Less than 1 acre
- Parking:** 50+ parking spaces recommended



Montrose Cerise Park Amphitheater:

- Layout:** Semi-formal Outdoor Amphitheater
- Capacity:** 5,700 people
- Site Area:** Approximately 6 acres
- Parking:** 300+ parking spaces recommended



Key planning recommendations for outdoor amphitheaters in Mt. CB and Gunnison include:

- Locations:** 1 in both the North and South Subdistricts
- Size & Layout:** Semi-formal layout, sized between Salida and Montrose examples
- Accessibility:** ADA accessibility should be provided and is an important consideration to be incorporated into the facility design.
- Parking:** Parking spaces can be greatly reduced if transit access is provided, and the amphitheater is located within walking and biking distance of a population center.
- Implementation:** Consider renovation of existing spaces and partnerships with current entities surrounding outdoor music, theater groups, wedding venue operators, etc.
- Cost:** Depending on location, size, formality, grading and access, amphitheater costs can range greatly from approximately \$3-10 million. Planning / budgeting for the mid to upper portion of the range (\$6 -10M) is recommended.





REGIONAL RECREATION MASTER PLAN



MetRec Implementation Priorities:

During this planning process, the following implementation priorities have been established by the MetRec Board, and the policies and actions set forth in this section have been crafted to prioritize and guide short-term implementation of these priority efforts within the first 1-3 years following completion of the Plan.

ELEVATE THE METREC GRANT PROGRAM

Continue to improve and evolve the MetRec grant program and clarify MetRec's policies on allocation of grants and capital funding.

PROVIDE REGIONAL LEADERSHIP

MetRec will provide regional leadership, convene stakeholders, and lead collaborative work with the strategic partners identified in this Plan, to address the community's recreational needs..

IMPROVE REC PATH CONNECTIVITY

Guide regional efforts to plan and implement rec path and connectivity improvements throughout the District. Start by initiating a MetRec Regional Rec Path Master Plan in 2025.

SUPPORT DEVELOPMENT OF FIELDS, PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Support renovation and implementation of fields, parks and playgrounds, including those already in process/planning by strategic partner agencies.

SUPPORT RECREATION PLANNING AND LAND USE

Support recreation master planning efforts being initiated by strategic partner agencies in 2025 (e.g., Town of CB and City of Gunnison).

PROMOTE DEVELOPMENT OF MULTI-USE INDOOR RECREATION FACILITIES

Support implementation of recreation master plan recommendations, which are anticipated to include the following key actions:

- » Expansion/renovation of South Subdistrict recreation facilities
- » Exploring implementation of a multi-use indoor recreation facility in the North Subdistrict. This may include expansion/renovation of existing facilities and/or construction of new facilities, as determined to be most appropriate by future feasibility studies.



APPLICATIONS
DUE
MARCH 13
2026

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REC GRANT PROGRAM
CAPITAL • OPERATIONS • COMMUNITY



Annual Rec Grant Program Process and Budget

Grant Programs

- Capital
- Operations
- Community
- Multi-Year Operations
- Multi-Year Community

2026 Budget

2026 Budget	Capital	Operations	Community	Totals
2026 General Fund	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$75,000	\$275,000
2026 North Subdistrict	\$50,000	\$445,000	\$50,000	\$545,000
Totals	\$150,000	\$545,000	\$125,000	\$820,000

2025 Rec Grant Program Awards

Organization	Grant Title	Type	Award Recommendation	Mission Alignment
Capital Grant Program				
Gunnison County	Fairgrounds Playground and Park Expansion	Capital	\$25,000	The project would expand a small existing park at the fairgrounds and improve other areas to create more welcoming and enjoyable spaces for the public to recreate outdoors. Recent projects have increased populations living near the fairgrounds, especially families and this area of Town has the least access to parks.
Town of Crested Butte	Mineral Point Trail Project	Capital	\$57,682	The Mineral Point Trail is an accessible community trail that will provide connectivity from Town to the new Mineral Point housing development, the Slate River ("Aperture") Trail, the CB/Mt. CB Rec Path, the Slate River Boat Launch, and the new CBFPD Emergency Services Campus (CBFPD Campus) and river access.
Town of Mt. Crested Butte	Ted Scheske Park Playground Replacement	Capital	\$25,000	The Town seeks funding to upgrade its community playground with a modern, more inclusive and safer play structure. By promoting physical activity, creativity, and social interaction, the new playground will serve as a vibrant hub for families in our community, including children of all ages and abilities.

\$107,682

Nonprofit Operation Support Grant Program				
Crested Butte Avalanche Center	Avalanche Forecasting and Outreach	Multi-year Operations (Year Three)	\$40,000	The grant will enhance the Crested Butte Avalanche Center's ability to provide crucial avalanche safety information by increasing forecaster salaries, thus retaining skilled staff, and expanding field days in under-served backcountry areas, directly aligning with MetRec's mission to promote safe and accessible outdoor recreation.
Crested Butte Land Trust	Crested Butte Land Trust Recreation Lands Stewardship	Multi-year Operations (New)	\$51,000	CBLT seeks MetRec's support for annual operating costs that are directly focused on maintaining, improving, and stewarding recreation lands and infrastructure, and providing public outreach to recreators on conserved lands that support free, year-round public access and connectivity to federal and municipal lands surrounding Crested Butte.
Crested Butte Mountain Bike Association	CBMBA Multi-Year Operations Grant	Multi-year Operations (Year Two)	\$100,000	Funding will support CBMBA's mission by enhancing trail quality and recreational opportunities, fostering community involvement and partnerships, and ensuring sustainable use and enjoyment of the trails.
Crested Butte Mountain Theatre	Funds for support of CBMT Artistic Director	Multi-year Operations (Year Two)	\$21,000	Grant funds will support the Artistic Director role, enhancing CBMT's ability to offer diverse, high-quality programming that enriches the local community through arts and culture.
Crested Butte Nordic Council	Crested Butte Nordic Staff Retention, Grooming, and Program Support	Multi-year Operations (Year Two)	\$75,000	CB Nordic will utilize grant funds to enhance access to winter trails and quality programming, improving physical and mental well-being for residents.
Crested Butte School of Dance (CBSOD)	Leadership Sustainability	Single-year Operations	\$40,000	CBSOD requests operational funds for leadership. The 2024 MetRec grant supported a new ED, consultant, and increased staff FTE. This led to working committees, new programs, and more revenue. Funds for staff will allow CBSOD to continue implementing new practices that lead to a more efficient and sustainable organization.

2025 Rec Grant Program Awards (cont.)

Organization	Grant Title	Type	Award Recommendation	Mission Alignment
Crested Butte South Property Owners Association	Crested Butte South Park Amenities Operations Support	Multi-Year Operations (Year Two)	\$34,000	Funds will be used to maintain and enhance recreational amenities at Red Mountain Park, benefiting the broader valley community through increased access and improved facilities.
Gunnison Outdoor (GO) Initiative	Gunnison Outdoor (GO) Initiative Operations and Program Expansion	Multi-Year Operations (New)	\$17,500	GO Initiative seeks funding to expand youth outdoor recreation programs, including GOGirls and GOShred mountain biking summer camps, which develop skills, confidence, and trail stewardship. This project enhances access to quality, professionally led recreation, addressing top regional needs while fostering lifelong fitness, leadership, and a strong connection to the outdoors.
Gunnison Trails	Gunnison Trails' Multi Year Operations Support	Multi-year Operations (Year Two)	\$25,000	Grant funds will support seasonal trail maintenance and education/outreach programming, enhancing outdoor recreation opportunities such as hiking and mountain biking, which are vital to the community's quality of life.
Gunnison Valley Hockey dba West Elk Hockey Association (WEHA)	West Elk Hockey Pilot Multi-Year Operations	Multi-year Operations (Year Two)	\$30,000	The funds will support recreation for high-risk, low-income youth, aligning with MetRec's aim to increase access to recreation.
Mountain Roots Food Project	Yes! to Adventure - Youth Outdoor Summer Camps	Single-year Operations	\$19,846	Funds will support "Yes! To Adventure" summer camps, providing affordable outdoor recreation for K-8 youth, fostering a love for nature and supporting community health and well-being.
Rocky Mountain Biological Laboratory	RMBL Youth Science Programs	Multi-year Operations (Year Two)	\$29,870	The funds will support RMBL's Youth Science Programs helping local children experience science outside and become comfortable in outdoor activities.
West Elk Soccer Association	West Elk Soccer Association: Enhancing Coaching Quality, Ensuring Staff Retention, and Investing in Program Development	Multi-year Operations (Year Two)	\$30,000	Funds will be used to retain high-quality coaches and staff, develop programming that positively impacts youth physical, mental, and emotional health, and expand program reach across the valley.
			\$513,216	

Community Grants Program				
Adaptive Sports Center	Adaptive Sports Center: Subsidized Community Programming for Gunnison Valley Residents Living with Disabilities	Multi-Year Community (Year Three)	\$25,000	The Adaptive Sports Center will use the funds to subsidize community programming for residents with disabilities, ensuring affordable access to outdoor adventure activities that enhance their quality of life, aligning with MetRec's mission.
City of Gunnison	Gunnison Parks & Rec Program Equipment Upgrades and Replacements	Single-year Community	\$1,400	Funds will be used to upgrade and replace heavily used program equipment for recreational sports and programs, ensuring safe and enjoyable participation for over 7,000 program participants, enhancing community engagement and physical health.
Crested Butte Community School	CBCS Recreation Programming	Multi-year Community (Year Two)	\$10,000	Grant funds will be used to develop school-sponsored recreation programs (e.g., Ski-for-PE), lowering financial barriers for participation to ensure inclusivity and accessibility for all students, aligning with MetRec's mission of reducing local barriers to recreation access.
Crested Butte Community School Enrichment Program	Crested Butte Community School Enrichment Program	Single-year Community	\$5,000	Funds will support the After School Clubs for K-12 students, allowing the program to expand and enhance offerings, addressing high demand and providing recreational opportunities that foster critical thinking, creativity, and emotional well-being.
Gunnison County dba Gunnison Hinsdale Early Childhood Council	Gunnison County Universal Summer Programming Scholarship	Single-year Community	\$10,000	We request funding for a summer scholarship program open to youth in kindergarten through 5th grade. A scholarship application has been created for families to apply for support; prioritization will be given to those who demonstrate the greatest financial need.

2025 Rec Grant Program Awards (cont.)

Organization	Grant Title	Type	Award Recommendation	Mission Alignment
Gunnison County Substance Abuse Prevent Project - Choice Pass	Summer Programming and Scholarships for 5th-12th Grade Youth	Single-year Community	\$10,000	We request funding to expand recreational summer programming for 5th-12th graders. Expansion refers to the types and number of programmatic options, including upper elementary. GSCAPP will use funding to subsidize the cost of programming and offer scholarships.
Gunnison Community School (GCS) Ski for PE	Recreation Programming for GWSD Community Students	Multi-year Community (Year Two)	\$20,900	Grant funds will reduce student fees for the ski program, maintaining high participation rates by alleviating financial burdens on families, aligning with MetRec's mission to maximize student exposure to outdoor recreation.
Gunnison High School Soccer	GHS Soccer Off-Season Project	Multi-Year Community (Year Two)	\$5,545	Grant funds will support summer soccer activities, enhancing student-athletes' physical, mental, and emotional health through continuous engagement in recreation, aligning with MetRec's goal of supporting community health through innovative programs.
Gunnison Nordic	Gunnison Nordic Skiing for All	Multi-Year Community (Year Three)	\$5,340	Gunnison Nordic will use the funds to maintain and groom cross-country ski trails, support winter events, and offer affordable lessons, promoting accessible and high-quality recreation opportunities in line with MetRec's mission.
The Gunnison PTA	The Gunny Bike Bus	Single-year Community	\$4,074	We propose establishing a "Bike Bus" program to promote safe, healthy, and sustainable transportation for students commuting to and from school. A Bike Bus operates similarly to a traditional school bus but utilizes bicycles, with groups of students riding together along designated routes under adult supervision
Gunnison Senior Center	Gunnison Senior Center Outdoor Recreation Programs – Where quality meets access.	Multi-Year Community (Year Three)	\$11,627	The Gunnison Senior Center will use the funds to support guides and instructors for outdoor recreation programs, making quality outdoor activities accessible for older adults, in alignment with MetRec's mission.
			\$108,886	
Total Recreation Funding			\$729,784	

MetRec Initiatives 2025 and 2026



FIELDS



PARKS



REC PATHS



TV

MetRec Denver Direct Feed TV Status

Transmitting	
Station	Channels
KRMA	6.1 Rocky Mountain PBS
	6.2 PBS Kids
	6.3 PBS Create
	6.4 PBS World
KDVR	2.1 CW2
	31.1 Fox31
	31.2 Antenna TV
	31.3 ROAR
KCNC	4.1 CBS
	4.2 Start TV
	4.3 Dabl
	4.4 Me-TV
	4.5 Catchy Comedy
	4.6 Story Television

Not Transmitting	
Station	Channels
KUSA	2.2 Charge!
	9.1 KUSA NBC9
	9.5 Quest TV
	9.6 The Nest
KMGH	3.1 Local3
	3.2 Grit
	7.1 Denver7 ABC
	10.1 Laff
	10.2 Ion
	10.3 QVC



MetRec Contributed to the CBCS Soccer Field and Playground

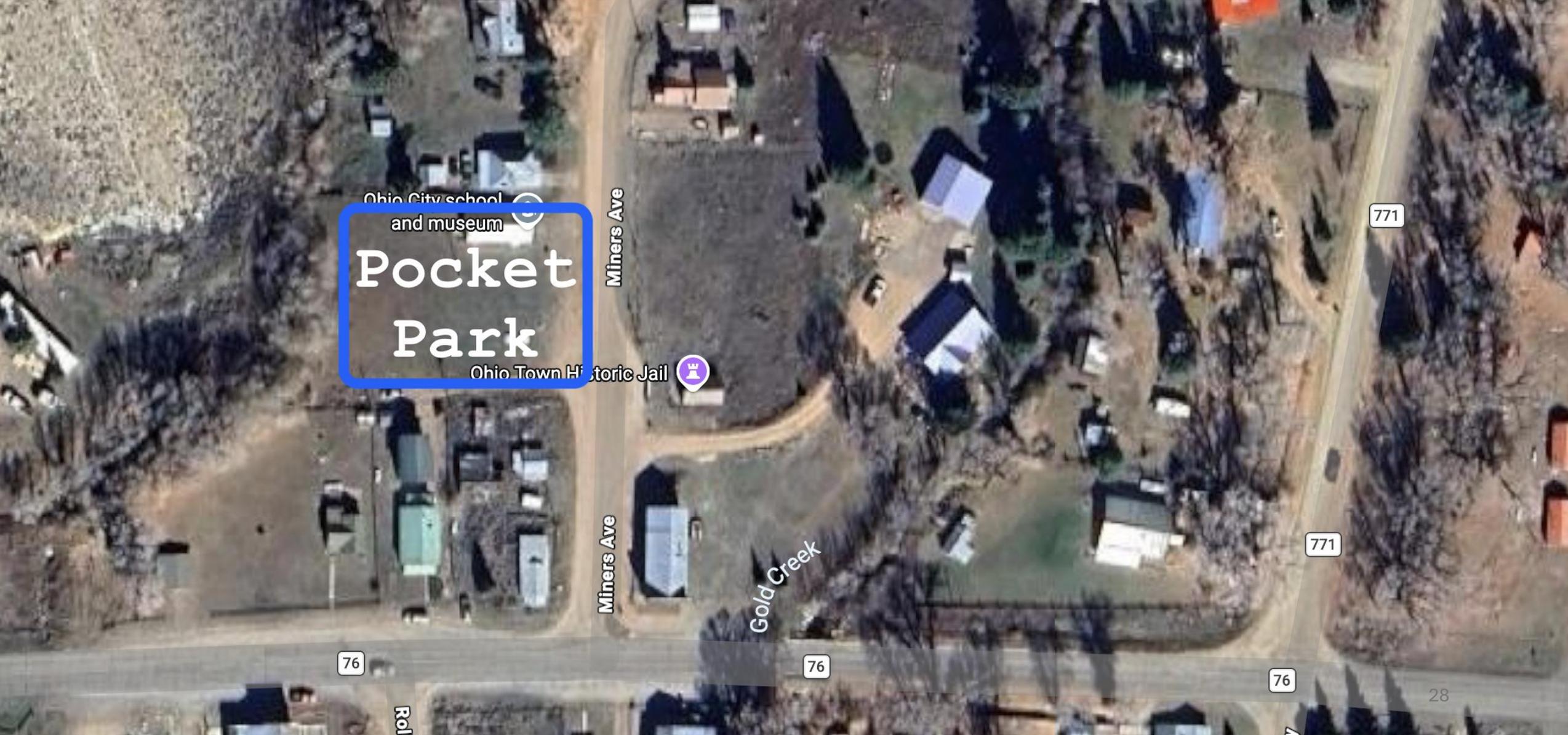
MetRec Embarked on CB2CBS Shared Use Path 100% Design

High-level

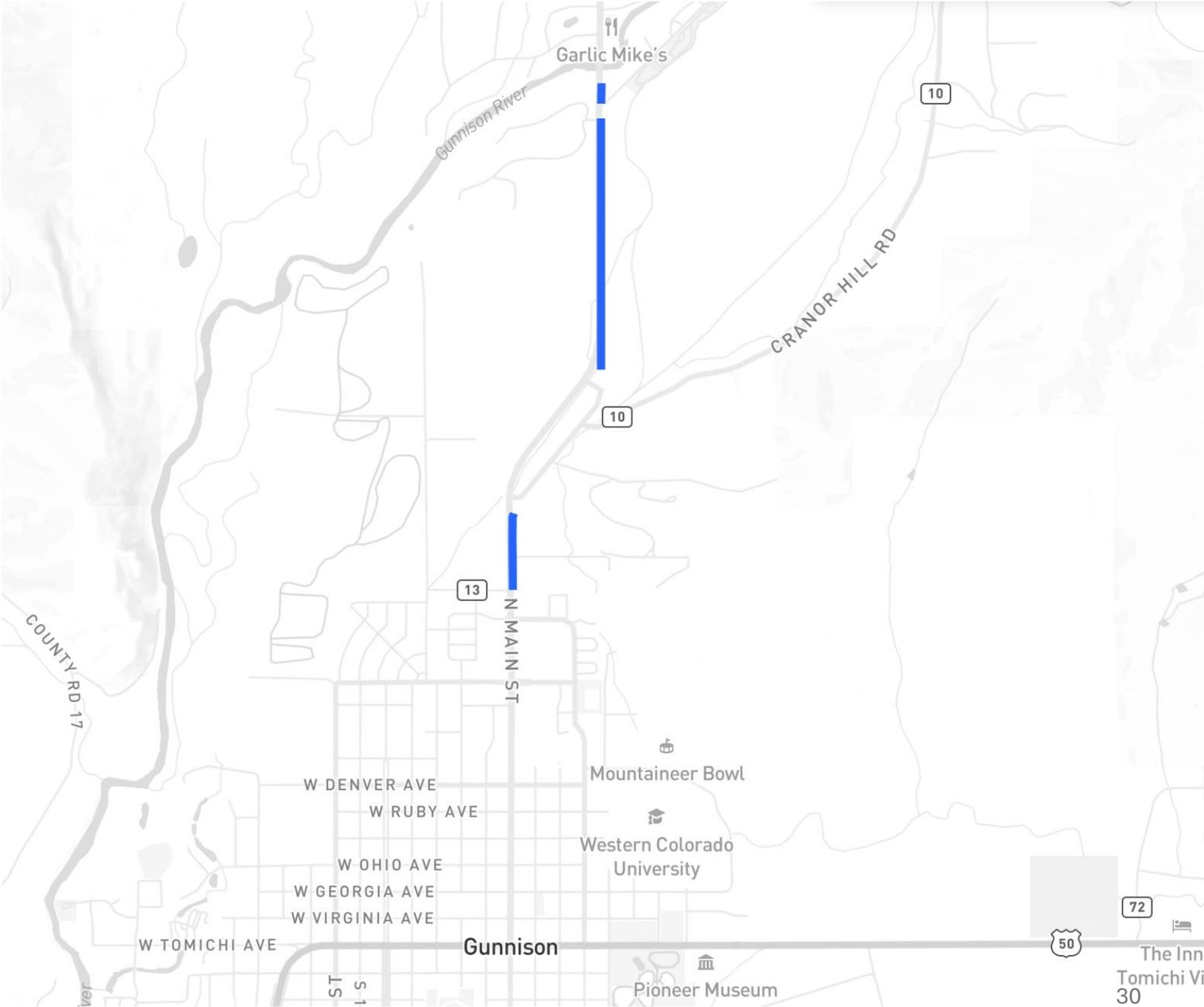
- 100% design will take approximately 2 years and cost \$1M+. MetRec plans to fund the 100% design.
- Full public planning process planned, including adjacent landowners
- The county will provide support



Pocket Park in Ohio City (maybe 2027)



North Gunnison Rec Path Improvement (maybe summer 2026)



FSR 317 Trailhead Parking Expansions

(we've got a pin on it)

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Maureen Hall



FSR 317, Gothic Road: Judd Falls Parking



FSR 317, Gothic Road: Rustler's Gulch Parking



Questions for the BOCC

- What recreation role do you desire from MetRec?
- How should the rec path, rec center, and parks and fields integrate with the county's corridor planning?
- What have I not spoken to that you're curious about?