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NOT MUDDYING THE WATER



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In the 1880s and 1890s, many residents of Grand Junction paid people to deliver river water to them in water wagons similar to this one, which was photographed at Fort Verde, Arizona, in 1887.

Grand Junction gets mountain water system

Two decades after Grand Junction was settled, residents of the town were fed up with drinking murky water from the Colorado and Gunnison rivers. “One can almost skate on top of the water, the ... mud is so plentiful,” The Daily Sentinel wrote sarcastically in May, 1903.

Citizens wanted fresh, clean water from the mountains to replace the river water. “Seriously, the (town) council should take steps to get mountain water, even if it costs a million,” the Sentinel wrote.

It would take almost a decade, but the city did just that. On July 4, 1912, water from Kannah Creek on Grand Mesa flowed through 20 miles of steel and wooden pipeline to reach the city, eliminating the need to pump water from the Gunnison or Colorado rivers. The event prompted a great celebration in Grand Junction.

It had been a long process, not just because of the construction difficulties. A legal dispute over water rights became a battle with ranchers in the Kannah Creek drainage who didn’t want to lose their water.

Even so, the issues were eventually resolved and the mountain water system became the long-term solution to the city’s water needs. The Kannah Creek drainage is still the primary source of Grand Junction’s water.

When the first settlers arrived in the Grand Valley in 1881, they simply scooped water from the rivers with buckets, using it for washing and drinking. Or they drilled wells that produced water heavy with alkali. Either way, the water was far from healthy, and problems such as dysentery were not unusual.

Before long, people began paying others to haul water for them. Several people with water wagons would hand-pump water from the river, then haul it to homes and businesses in the small community for about 25 cents a barrel.

Water quality remained a problem, however. Additionally, the growing community needed a reliable water supply to fight fires. In the mid-1880s, the town conducted the first of several surveys to evaluate other potential water sources such as Rapid Creek near Palisades, Mesa Creek, Whitewater Creek and

artesian wells.

Instead of any of those options, Grand Junction citizens voted on May 1, 1888 to have the N.J. Kruzen company build a water system that would pump water out of the Colorado River and use a tall water tank near today’s Fifth Street Bridge to settle sediment.

The system was completed in April 1889, and eventually eight miles of pipe supplied water to the town’s fire hydrants, to churches, schools and public buildings, and to two fountains for public use. However, problems continued with bad-tasting water. Pipes frequently broke and the Kruzen company couldn’t always deliver as much water as promised.

In 1899, the city decided to become its own water provider, using water from the Gunnison River, which was believed to be better than Colorado River water. Two large pumps provided up to 1.5 million gallons of water a day, sending it to a reservoir on a bluff on Orchard Mesa, then allowing it to flow by gravity into the city proper.

The system was completed in February 1900, at a cost of \$85,000. It served the city for more than a decade, supplying homes, businesses and fire hydrants with usable water.

But it was that system that The Daily Sentinel complained about in 1903. Despite a number of skimmers, or wooden paddles, designed to remove sediment from the water as it entered the reservoir, the water remained murky and tasted bad.

Moreover, the poorly constructed reservoir leaked, and the pump system proved inadequate to supply the rapidly growing community. There were restrictions on lawn watering and prohibitions on using city water for gardens or orchards.

Once again, new water sources were sought.

One solution adopted was to pay private contractors to drill artesian wells, the first of which was completed near the city’s Orchard Mesa Cemetery. But it and subsequent wells never produced as much water as city officials had hoped.

Finally, in 1906, the city committed to looking seriously at a mountain water system. It sent people to observe other



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This U.S. Forest Service sign at the start of the Kannah Creek Trail, offers a rough picture of the Kannah Creek drainage system that still provides much of Grand Junction’s water. Flowing Park Reservoir, the first mountain reservoir the city built to provide storage for the system, is in the lower right.



PHOTO BY BOB SILBERNAGEL

This sign, near the Kannah Creek trailhead, makes it clear that the Kannah Creek drainage remains critical to the city’s water supply, even in the 21st century.

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mountain systems in Boulder, Fort Collins and Greeley, and it evaluated potential mountain water systems in this region. It was determined that Kannah Creek offered the best water and the most reliable flow at a reasonable cost.

City Water Superintendent Bostwick William Vedder led the evaluation of the mountain systems in other communities, and several years later he headed up the intake and pipeline construction.

On Aug. 1, 1906, city electors approved \$300,000 in bonds to construct the Kannah Creek system and to pipe the water to Grand Junction. The vote was 243-78 in favor, demonstrating overwhelming support for a mountain system.

There were problems, however. In the first year, while still in the planning stage, costs rose from \$300,000 to \$400,000, and additional bonds had to be authorized. The original contract called for all 20 miles of pipe to be wood-stave, built within the City of Grand Junction. But that proved impossible at the price anticipated. Eventually, more than half of the pipe was less-expensive riveted steel pipe, with wooden-stave pipe making up the rest.

Most problematic was the issue of water rights. The city was advised to begin work on the water rights for its Kannah Creek system in 1906, but it didn't begin to do so until the summer of 1907.

Not surprisingly, landowners in Kannah Creek, who had formed the Grand Mesa Reservoir Company and had constructed Grand Mesa Reservoir No. 1, weren't eager to give up a portion of their water to the city.

The case slowly moved through the courts, and on Nov. 11, 1911, a Mesa

County District judge granted the city a "paramount" right to 300 cubic inches of Kannah Creek water. Additionally, the city was to pay 62 Kannah Creek landowners a total of \$189,932 for the water they were losing.

In September 1911, construction had begun on the intake structure on Kannah Creek, which included a diversion dam, weir, sand trap and caretaker's cottage. Work also began on laying pipe, with a siphon under Whitewater Creek and a tunnel through Whitewater Hill.

Winter weather brought the work to a halt in December, but it resumed in March 1912, and was completed by the Fourth of July, 1912.

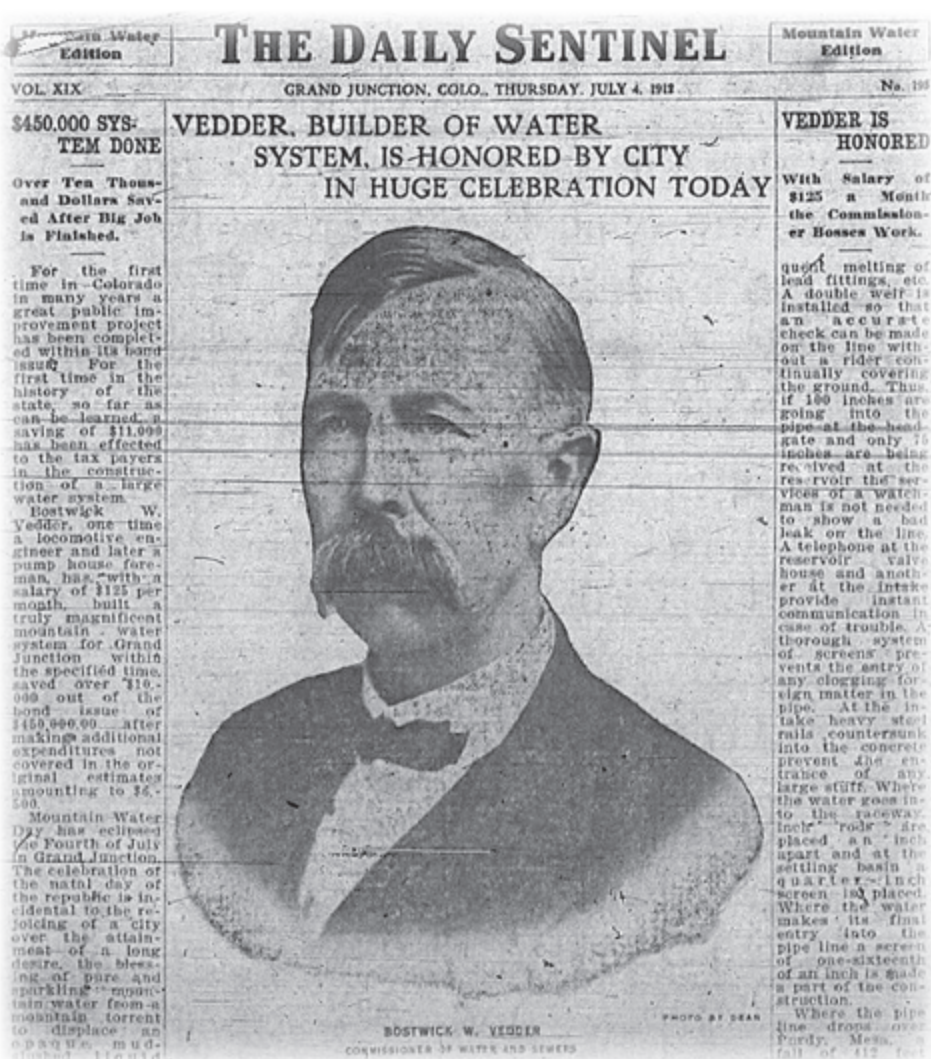
On that day, a parade with multiple floats, bands and horse riders was staged to celebrate the arrival of Kannah Creek water. The Sentinel published a special "Mountain Water Edition" to commemorate the event.

The next year, the city built its first mountain reservoir, Flowing Park Reservoir, on a Kannah Creek tributary called Sheep Creek.

Since then, the water line between Kannah Creek and Grand Junction has been upgraded several times, a water treatment plant was constructed and improved in Grand Junction, and reservoirs in the Kannah Creek drainage have been built or enlarged. Now, 114 years later, the mountain water system continues to supply high quality domestic water to the City of Grand Junction.

Sources: "Grand Junction Water History," by Ralph Sterry and Bruce Johnson; "Kannah Creek Aqueduct," by Carl Conner and Nicole Inman, prepared for the Kannah Creek Flowline Replacement Project; historic newspaper articles from www.newspapers.com.

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THE DAILY SENTINEL FROM WWW.NEWSPAPERS.COM.

The Daily Sentinel published a special Mountain Water Edition on July 4, 1912, the day Kannah Creek water began flowing to the city. It gave special accolades to Bostwick W. Vedder, then the water superintendent for the city.

Western Colorado PUBLIC NOTICES

Notice of Closing PUBLIC NOTICE: Horizon Travel Agency DBA Horizon Travel is ceasing operations and voluntarily closing its business April 26, 2026. Creditors and individuals with claims against Horizon Travel are instructed to present their claims for payment by April 26, 2026 to Horizon Travel, 130 N. 6th St., Grand Junction, CO 81501. We thank our clients for their patronage over the years. Published: February 28, March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2026. COL-102842

NOTICE OF MESA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW To be considered, all comments should be submitted in writing and received by the project planner at the Mesa County Planning Department at P.O. Box 20,000 Department, 5022, Grand Junction, CO 81502. PRO2026-0102 AA SCHRÖCK Property Owners: Jerry Schrock and Charlotte Griffiths Location: 2952 Bonito Lane, Grand Junction CO, 81504 Parcel: 2943-054-35-007 Zoning: RMF-5 Planner: Collin Rode, (970) 254-4152. collin.rod@mesacounty.us Request: To reduce the street setback (west property line) from 20 feet to 10.9 feet in order to construct an attached garage addition to the existing single-family home. Published: April 25, 2026. COL-103130

Notice to Creditors Estate of Traci L. Allen, a/k/a Traci Lynn Allen, a/k/a Traci Allen, Deceased Case No.: 2026PR30104 All Persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Mesa County, Colorado on or before August 11, 2026, or said claims may be forever barred. Hunter S. Allen Personal Representative c/o Arie R. Mielkus, Atty Reg. #: 52351 744 Horizon Ct., #300 Grand Junction, CO 81506 Published: April 11, 18, 25, 2026. COL-103056

Name Change PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME In the Matter of the Petition of: Kali Ann Pettigill For a Change of Name to: Kali Ann Koch Case No. 26C386 Public Notice is given on 4/2/2026 that a Petition for a Name Change of an Adult has been filed with the Mesa County Court. The Petitioner requests that the name of Kali Ann Pettigill be changed to Kali Ann Koch. By: /s/ Jason Martinez Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk Published: April 11, 18, 25, 2026. COL-103065

Estate of Scott Alan Mayer Estate of Scott Alan Mayer, Deceased Case No.: 2026 PR 64 All Persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Mesa County, Colorado on or before 08/17/2026, or said claims may be forever barred. Janell Sites Personal Representative 2811 Ridge Drive Grand Junction, CO 81506 Published: April 18, 25, May 2, 2026. COL-103073

Belinda Ochoa Curley PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME In the Matter of the Petition of: Belinda Olivia Ochoa For a Change of Name to: Belinda Ochoa Curley Case No. 26C424 Public Notice is given on 4/17/2026 that a Petition for a Name Change of an Adult has been filed with the Mesa County Court. The Petitioner requests that the name of Belinda Olivia Ochoa be changed to Belinda Ochoa Curley. By: /s/ Jami Coren Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk Published: April 22, 25, 29, 2026. COL-103099

Change of Name PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME In the Matter of the Petition of: Sandra Anne Sims For a Change of Name to: Sandra Anne Hanzel Case No. 26C419 Public Notice is given on 04/13/2026 that a Petition for a Name Change of an Adult has been filed with the Mesa County Court. The Petitioner requests that the name of Sandra Anne Sims be changed to Sandra Anne Hanzel. By: /s/ Jason Martinez Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk Published: April 25, May 2, 9, 2026. COL-103125

Notice of custody COMBINED COURT, MESA COUNTY, COLORADO CONSOLIDATED NOTICE OF PUBLICATION Case Number: 2013JV295 Notice is given that the following has been filed and this Court has found that due diligence has been used to obtain personal service of process to no avail. The court has ordered this publication. In Re: the Allocation of Parental Responsibilities (Custody) for: Iker Raul Carrillo Alcalá Arely Yudith Alcalá Loya, PETITIONER, AND Mario Ines Carrillo Orozco, RESPONDENT. A copy of the Petition may be obtained from the Court. Final orders may be entered against that party upon whom this notices makes service if they fail to file a response within thirty-five days. ANN BRIGHAM Clerk of the Court Dated: March 20 2026 By: /s/ Lisa Medina Deputy Clerk Published: April 18, 25, May 2, 2026. COL-103077

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Estate of STORMY MOORE a/k/a STORMY W. MOORE a/k/a STORMY WEATHER MOORE, Deceased Case No.: 26PR30101 All Persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Mesa County, Colorado on or before August 18, 2026, or said claims may be forever barred. Michelle Moore Personal Representative c/o Zachary T. Reams, Esq. Reams & Reams, 222 N 7th Street Grand Junction, CO 81501 Published: April 18, 25, May 2, 2026. COL-103079

Notice to Creditors by Publication Estate of Charlene Helen Bain, aka Charlene H. Bain, aka Charlene Bain, Deceased Case No.: 26PR30108 All Persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Mesa County, Colorado on or before August 17, 2026, or said claims may be forever barred. Kevin R. Bain Personal Representative c/o Mahre & Mahre, Attorneys At Law 1525 Poplar Drive Grand Junction, CO 81505 Published: April 18, 25, May 2, 2026. COL-103080

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME In the Matter of the Petition of: Anna Christine Deprosio For a Change of Name to: Anna Christine Kaper Case No. 26C421 Public Notice is given on 4/14/26 that a Petition for a Name Change of an Adult has been filed with the Mesa County Court. The Petitioner requests that the name of Anna Christine Deprosio be changed to Anna Christine Kaper. By: /s/ Jason Martinez Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk Published: April 18, 25, May 2, 2026. COL-103084

Solicitation IFB-5910-26-DD Persigo Wastewater Treatment Plant In-Plant Waste Wet Well Pipe Replacement The City of Grand Junction Purchasing Division is inviting sealed competitive responses for this solicitation. Please see the solicitation documents for information. Responses will only be accepted electronically through the Rocky Mountain E-Purchasing System/BidNet Direct https://www.bidnetdirect.com/vendors, prior to 1:00pm May 21, 2026. Responses received after the time and date specified will not be considered.

Solicitation documents are available by accessing https://www.bidnetdirect.com/vendors and selecting Rocky Mountain E-Procurement System, by accessing the City of Grand Junction website, www.gjcity.org and selecting on "Bids" link, by contacting the Purchasing Division, 250 North 5th Street, Grand Junction CO 81501, or by calling telephone (970) 256-4048. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all offers received in response to this solicitation and to waive any irregularities as may be in the best interest of the City.

Dolly Daniels Senior Buyer City of Grand Junction Published: April 25, 29, 2026. COL-103135

NTC Estate of Kenneth Beisswanger, Deceased Case No.: 26 PR 4 All Persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Mesa County, Colorado on or before 08/26/2026, or said claims may be forever barred. James Beisswanger Personal Representative 1414 DrumlIn Street Fruita Co 81521 Published: April 18, 25, May 2, 2026. COL-103085

C 1/2 Road Gravel Pit PUBLIC NOTICE M & D Enterprises, LLC, (Address: 1023 23 Road, Grand Junction, CO 81505, Phone: 970-250-2453) has filed an application for a Regular (112) Construction Materials Operation Reclamation Permit with the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board under provisions of the Colorado Land Reclamation Act for the Extraction of Construction Materials. The proposed mine is known as the C 1/2 Road Gravel Pit, and is located at or near Section 19, Township 1 South, Range 1 East, Ute Meridian, Mesa County, Colorado. The proposed date of commencement is Fall 2026, and the proposed date of completion is Fall 2038. The proposed future use of the Land is Residential. Additional information and tentative decision date may be obtained from the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203, (303) 866-3567, or at the Mesa County Clerk and Recorder's office: 200 Spruce Street, or the above-named applicant. Comments must be in writing and must be received by the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety by 4:00 p.m. on June 5, 2026. Please note that under the provisions of C.R.S. 34-32.5-101 et seq., Comments related to noise, truck traffic, hours of operation, visual impacts, effects on property values and other social or economic concerns are issues not subject to this Office's jurisdiction. These subjects, and similar ones, are typically addressed by your local governments, rather than the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety or the Mined Land Reclamation Board. Published: April 25, May 2, 9, 16, 2026. COL-103117

TOWN OF DE BEQUE PLANNING RESOLUTION 2026-01 A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD BEFORE THE DE BEQUE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION ON MAY 12TH, 2026, AT 6:00 P.M. AT THE DE BEQUE COMMUNITY CENTER, 381 MINTER AVENUE, DE BEQUE, COLORADO FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING ON PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RESOLUTION 2026-01, A RESOLUTION REPEALING THE TOWN OF DE BEQUE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE (2026) AND ADOPTING THE TOWN OF DE BEQUE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (2026). COPIES OF THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION AND EXHIBITS ARE ON FILE WITH THE TOWN CLERK. THE HEARING WILL BE INSPECTED DURING BUSINESS HOURS. INTERESTED PERSONS MAY ATTEND AND PROVIDE TESTIMONY. Published: April 25, May 2, 2026. COL-103116

October Pile Notice is hereby given that AURA GRIT LLC, whose address is 6751 E. 2nd St., Suite 2, Casper, WY 82609, has filed a permit modification for a 110(d) Limited Impact Mining/Reclamation Permit with the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety for the October Pile Uranium Mine Waste Reclamation Project (rev previously known as the October Ore Reclamation Pile).

The permit application is for 4.94 acres of land located in Section 4, Township 50 North, Range 19 West, New Mexico Principal Meridian, Mesa County, Colorado, approximately 4.5 miles south of Gateway, Colorado.

The application was filed on April 22, 2026. The proposed date of commencement of mining and reclamation operations is June 1, 2028, and the anticipated date of completion is September 30, 2028. The proposed future land use is Rangeland.

Additional information and tentative decision date may be obtained from the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, Colorado 80203, (303) 866-3567, or at the Mesa County Clerk and Recorder's office: (200 S. Spruce Street, Grand Junction, CO 81501), or the above named applicant.

Comments must be in writing and must be received by the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety by 4:00 p.m. on May 5, 2026. Published: April 25, 2026. COL-103134

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Estate of Joan Harrell Chaffin, a.k.a. Joan H. Chaffin, a.k.a. Joan Chaffin, Deceased Case No.: 2026PR30115 All Persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Mesa County, Colorado on or before August 18, 2026, or said claims may be forever barred. Michael Hamilton Personal Representative c/o Brown & Brown, P.C. 1250 E. Sherwood Dr. Grand Junction, Colorado 81501 Published: April 18, 25, May 2, 2026. COL-103087

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Estate of SHAWN WILLIAMSON, Deceased Case No.: 26PR39 All Persons having claims against the above-named estate are required to present them to the Personal Representative or to the District Court of Mesa County, Colorado on or before August 25, 2026, or said claims may be forever barred. Marie Williamson Personal Representative c/o Zachary T. Reams, Esq. Reams & Reams, 222 N. 7th Street Grand Junction, CO 81501 Published: April 25, May 2, 9, 2026. COL-103126

2024DR351 PUBLIC NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME In the Matter of the Petition of: Trevor Ludwick For Minor Child: Aliza Rain Gray For a Change of Name to: Aliza Rain Ludwick-Gray Case No. 2024DR351 Public Notice is given on April 16, 2026 that a Petition for a Name Change of a minor child has been filed with the Mesa County Court. The Petitioner requests that the name of Aliza Rain Gray be changed to Aliza Rain Ludwick-Gray. By: /s/ Carolyn Acker Clerk of Court/Deputy Clerk Published: April 25, 29, May 2, 2026. COL-103120

NOTICE Mt. Crested Butte Water & Sanitation District is seeking a District Manager to guide this Colorado Title 32 special district responsible for providing essential water and wastewater services to residents and businesses in the Town of Mt. Crested Butte and portions of rural Gunnison County. Operating offices in Mt. Crested Butte. Mt. Crested Butte Water & Sewer District is governed by an elected five-member Board of Directors and serves 3,546 customers across a service area of 3.1 square miles with an annual revenue of \$7 million and a team of 14 full-time employees. Reporting to the Board of Directors, the District Manager serves as the chief executive of the District. Salary range is \$145,000 to \$185,000 plus benefits. To apply, view the full position profile, job description, and benefits please visit https://bit.ly/GMPHApply Application deadline is 4:00 pm on April 27, 2026. Published: April 11, 18, 25, 2026. COL-103050

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING The Fruita Planning Commission will hold a public hearing Tuesday, May 12, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. at the Fruita Civic Center, 2nd Floor Council Chambers, 325 E. Aspen Avenue. The following item will be presented at the public hearings. The Planning Commission will formulate a recommendation, which will be forwarded to the Fruita City Council. If the item listed below is acted on by the Planning Commission, the Fruita City Council will hold a public hearing on this same item on Tuesday, June 16, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the Fruita Civic Center, 2nd Floor Council Chambers. If you have an interest in an item on the agenda, please call 858-0786 or come to the Planning & Development Department office located at 325 E. Aspen Avenue to review the information in the file. Your appearance at both hearings is encouraged to ensure your concerns are accurately represented or you can write a letter outlining your concerns and submit it to the Planning & Development Department. Application #: 2026-05 Project Name: Kokopelli Pedestrian Easement Vacation Application: Public Easement Vacation Representative: Austin Civil Group Mark Austin Location: 502/524 Kokopelli Blvd Description: This is a request for a Public Easement Vacation of the publicly dedicated pedestrian easement located on 502 and 524 Kokopelli Blvd.

Physically disadvantaged persons who wish to obtain information or need assistance in attending the Public Hearing, may call (970) 858-0786, the hearing impaired may call Relay Colorado at 1-800-659-2656, or visit our website: www.fruita.org Published: April 25, 2026. COL-103119

26JV31 Armijo Summons DISTRICT COURT, MESA COUNTY, COLORADO MESA COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER, 125 North Spruce, Grand Junction, CO Case No. 26JV31 (XPP) SUMMONS THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO, In the Interest of: AZRAEL ARMILJO (DOB: 07/05/2022) and MICHAEL ANTHONY ARMILJO JR (DOB: 08/20/2024) Children, and Concerning: ISABELLA BARR, and JOHN DOE, Respondents. Special Respondents. TO: JOHN DOE: YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a verified petition has been filed in the above-named Court in which it is represented to the Court that AZRAEL ARMILJO (DOB: 07/05/2022) and MICHAEL ANTHONY ARMILJO JR (DOB: 08/20/2024) are alleged to be dependent or neglected pursuant to C.R.S. Section 19-3-102(1)(b), (c), and (e) of the Colorado Children's Code, as amended, for the reasons set forth more fully in said Petition. YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that the Court has set an initial advisement hearing on the Petition on May 12, 2026, at 8:15 a.m. before the Honorable Katherine A. Barnes, Courtroom No. 4. The District Court is located in the Mesa County Justice Center, 125 North Spruce, Grand Junction, CO 81501. You are hereby notified to be and appear before the Court at said time.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that termination of parent-child legal relationship is a possible remedy under this proceeding, if requested by subsequent motion. WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court this 22nd day of April, 2026. ANN BRIGHAM, Clerk of the Court By: Janet Grzybowski Deputy Clerk Published: April 25, 2026. COL-103131

NOTICE OF LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION The Fruita Planning & Development Department has received the Land Development Applications described below. If you have an interest in this development, please call 858-0786 or come to the Planning & Development Department office located at 325 E. Aspen Avenue, Fruita, CO to review the application information or you can write a letter detailing your concerns and submit it to the Planning & Development Department by Monday, May 11, 2026. Applications like this are reviewed administratively. Application #: 2026-03 Application Name: IMH Primary Care Clinic Site Design Review Application Type: Austin Civil Group Applicant: 502 and 524 Kokopelli Boulevard Commercial-2 (C2) Location: This is a request for approval of a 15,500 square foot medical facility with a parking lot and trash enclosure on approximately 2.90 acres. 2026-04 Application #: IMH Primary Care Clinic Minor Subdivision Application Name: Austin Civil Group Applicant: 502 and 524 Kokopelli Boulevard Commercial-2 (C2) Location: This is a request for approval of a final plat that would combine 502 Kokopelli Boulevard and 524 Kokopelli Boulevard into a single parcel. Physically disadvantaged persons who wish to obtain information may call (970) 858-0786, the hearing impaired may call Relay Colorado at 1-800-659-2656, or visit our website: www.fruita.org Published: April 25, 2026. COL-103118

STATEMENT AND CERTIFICATE OF DETERMINATION OF AN ELECTION HELD APRIL 7, 2026 TOWN OF COLBRAN

MAYOR	BALLOTS 4/7	BALLOTS 4/15	TOTAL VOTES CAST	
JENNI ADAMS	86	0	86	ELECTED - 2 YR TERM
TRUSTEE				
BILL BETHEL	83	0	83	ELECTED - 4 YR TERM
EMMALINE BORNE	66	0	66	ELECTED - 4 YR TERM
BALLOT QUESTION 1: SHALL JESSICA PRICE BE RECALLED FROM THE OFFICE OF TRUSTEE OF THE TOWN OF COLBRAN?				
YES	71	0	71	PASSED
NO	57	0	57	
REPLACEMENT FOR RECALLED TRUSTEE				
LEW EVANS	18	0	18	
KEITH TODD	76	0	76	ELECTED - REMAINDER OF TERM OF RECALLED OFFICE
BALLOT QUESTION 1: Town Trustee Jessica Price has not acted in the best interest of the Town of Colbran. Her actions have violated the spirit of Colorado Open Meeting Laws, the Colbran Municipal Code, and the Trustee Code of Conduct (Resolution No. 5, Series of 2018). She has misled community members on important town matters, has not worked cooperatively with others for the good of the community, and has reduced transparency in how town decisions are made. She lacks a basic understanding of fiduciary principles that have led to increased spending without clear communication or public input. She makes inaccurate and inappropriate public comments. These actions have eroded public trust, hindered effective governance, and created a hostile work environment. No statement in opposition to the recall was provided. I, the undersigned Designated Election Official as duly appointed by resolution of the Town of Colbran, Colorado Board of Trustees, with regard to Election returns of an Election held in the Town of Colbran, in the State of Colorado, on Tuesday, the 7th day of April, 2026 for the Election of a Mayor, two Trustees, Ballot Question 1, and Replacement for Recalled Trustee do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the votes cast during the election aforementioned as shown by the election judge's certificate and official abstract of votes for the Town of Colbran.				
WITNESS my hand this Seventeenth Day of April, 2026.				
Travis Boyd, Designated Election Official				