



**General Election**  
**November 4, 2008**  
**State of Colorado, County of Mesa**

## Sample Ballot

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All registered voters are eligible to vote on the following candidates or issues unless otherwise noted.

<b>Presidential Electors (Vote for One Pair)</b>	
<input type="radio"/>	John McCain/Sarah Palin Republican
<input type="radio"/>	Barack Obama/Joe Biden Democratic
<input type="radio"/>	Chuck Baldwin/Darrell L. Castle Constitution
<input type="radio"/>	Bob Barr/Wayne A. Root Libertarian
<input type="radio"/>	Cynthia McKinney/Rosa A. Clemente Green
<input type="radio"/>	Jonathan E. Allen/Jeffrey D. Stath HeartQuake '08
<input type="radio"/>	Gene C. Amondson/Leroy J. Pletten Prohibition
<input type="radio"/>	James Harris/Alyson Kennedy Socialist Workers
<input type="radio"/>	Charles Jay/Dan Sallis Jr. Boston Tea
<input type="radio"/>	Alan Keyes/Brian Rohrbough America's Independent
<input type="radio"/>	Gloria La Riva/Robert Moses Socialism and Liberation
<input type="radio"/>	Bradford Lyttle/Abraham Bassford U.S. Pacifist
<input type="radio"/>	Frank Edward McEnulty/David Mangan Unaffiliated
<input type="radio"/>	Brian Moore/Stewart A. Alexander Socialist, USA
<input type="radio"/>	Ralph Nader/Matt Gonzalez Unaffiliated
<input type="radio"/>	Thomas Robert Stevens/Alden Link Objectivist

<b>United States Senator (Vote for One)</b>	
<input type="radio"/>	Bob Schaffer Republican
<input type="radio"/>	Mark Udall Democratic
<input type="radio"/>	Bob Kinsey Green
<input type="radio"/>	Douglas "Dayhorse" Campbell American Constitution
<input type="radio"/>	Write-in

<b>Representative to the 111th United States Congress - District 3 (Vote for One)</b>	
<input type="radio"/>	John T. Salazar Democratic
<input type="radio"/>	Wayne Wolf Republican

<b>State Board of Education – Congressional District 3 (Vote for One)</b>	
<input type="radio"/>	Jill L. Brake Democratic
<input type="radio"/>	Marcia Neal Republican

Only registered voters who live in precincts 1-35 vote in **State Representative District 54.**

<b>State Representative – District 54 (Vote for One)</b>	
<input type="radio"/>	Steve King Republican

Only registered voters who live in precincts 36-82 vote in **State Representative District 55.**

<b>State Representative – District 55 (Vote for One)</b>	
<input type="radio"/>	Laura Bradford Republican
<input type="radio"/>	Bernie Buescher Democratic

All registered voters are eligible to vote for the following candidates or issues unless otherwise noted.

<b>District Attorney – 21st Judicial District (Vote for One)</b>	
<input type="radio"/>	Pete Hautzinger Republican
<b>County Commissioner – District 1 (Vote for One)</b>	
<input type="radio"/>	Craig J. Meis Republican
<input type="radio"/>	Dan Robinson Democratic
<b>County Commissioner – District 3 (Vote for One)</b>	
<input type="radio"/>	Dickie D. Lewis Democratic
<input type="radio"/>	Janet Rowland Republican

<b>Justice of the Colorado Supreme Court (Vote Yes or No)</b>	
Shall Justice Allison H. Eid of the Colorado Supreme Court be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No
Shall Justice Gregory J. Hobbs Jr. of the Colorado Supreme Court be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No

<b>Court of Appeals (Vote Yes or No)</b>	
Shall Judge Steven L. Bernard of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No
Shall Judge David M. Furman of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No
Shall Judge Robert D. Hawthorne of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No
Shall Judge Jerry N. Jones of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No
Shall Judge Gilbert M. Roman of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No
Shall Judge Diana L. Terry of the Colorado Court of Appeals be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No

<b>District Judge - 21st Judicial District (Vote Yes or No)</b>	
Shall Judge David A. Bottger of the 21st Judicial District be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No
Shall Judge Thomas M. Deister of the 21st Judicial District be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No
Shall Judge Brian J. Flynn of the 21st Judicial District be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No

<b>County Judge, Mesa (Vote Yes or No)</b>	
Shall Judge Craig P. Henderson of the Mesa County Court be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No
Shall Judge Gretchen B. Larson of the Mesa County Court be retained in office?	
<input type="radio"/>	Yes
<input type="radio"/>	No

**"Ballot issues referred by the general assembly or any political subdivision are listed by letter, and ballot issues initiated by the people are listed numerically. A 'yes' vote on any ballot issue is a vote in favor of changing current law or existing circumstances, and a 'no' vote on any ballot issue is a vote against changing current law or existing circumstances."**

**Amendment 46**

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning a prohibition against discrimination by the state, and, in connection therewith, prohibiting the state from discriminating against or granting preferential treatment to any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in the operation of public employment, public education, or public contracting; allowing exceptions to the prohibition when bona fide qualifications based on sex are reasonably necessary or when action is necessary to establish or maintain eligibility for federal funds; preserving the validity of court orders or consent decrees in effect at the time the measure becomes effective; defining "state" to include the state of Colorado, agencies or departments of the state, public institutions of higher education, political subdivisions, or governmental instrumentalities of or within the state; and making portions of the measure found invalid severable from the remainder of the measure?

- Yes
- No

**Amendment 47**

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning participation in a labor organization as a condition of employment, and, in connection therewith, prohibiting an employer from requiring that a person be a member and pay any moneys to a labor organization or to any other third party in lieu of payment to a labor organization and creating a misdemeanor criminal penalty for a person who violates the provisions of the section?

- Yes
- No

**Amendment 48**

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution defining the term "person" to include any human being from the moment of fertilization as "person" is used in those provisions of the Colorado constitution relating to inalienable rights, equality of justice, and due process of law?

- Yes
- No

**Amendment 49**

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning deductions from governmental payroll systems, and, in connection therewith, prohibiting a governmental payroll system from taking a payroll deduction from any government employee except deductions required by federal law, tax withholdings, judicial liens and garnishments, deductions for individual or group health benefits or other insurance, deductions for pension or retirement plans or systems, or other savings or investment programs, and charitable deductions?

- Yes
- No

**Amendment 50**

SHALL THERE BE AN AMENDMENT TO THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION CONCERNING VOTER-APPROVED REVISIONS TO LIMITED GAMING, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, ALLOWING THE LOCAL VOTERS IN CENTRAL CITY, BLACK HAWK, AND CRIPPLE CREEK TO EXTEND CASINO HOURS OF OPERATION, APPROVED GAMES TO INCLUDE ROULETTE AND CRAPS OR BOTH, AND MAXIMUM SINGLE BETS UP TO \$100; ADJUSTING DISTRIBUTIONS TO CURRENT GAMING FUND RECIPIENTS FOR GROWTH IN GAMING TAX REVENUE DUE TO VOTER-APPROVED REVISIONS IN GAMING; DISTRIBUTING 78% OF THE REMAINING GAMING TAX REVENUE FROM THIS AMENDMENT FOR STUDENT FINANCIAL AID AND CLASSROOM INSTRUCTION AT COMMUNITY COLLEGES ACCORDING TO THE PROPORTION OF THEIR RESPECTIVE STUDENT ENROLLMENTS, AND 22% FOR LOCAL GAMING IMPACTS IN GILPIN AND TELLER COUNTIES AND THE CITIES OF CENTRAL CITY, BLACK HAWK, AND CRIPPLE CREEK ACCORDING TO THE PROPORTION OF INCREASED TAX REVENUE FROM VOTER-APPROVED REVISIONS IN EACH CITY OR COUNTY; AND REQUIRING ANY INCREASE IN GAMING TAXES FROM THE LEVELS IMPOSED AS OF JULY 1, 2008 TO BE APPROVED AT A STATEWIDE ELECTION, IF LOCAL VOTERS IN ONE OR MORE CITIES HAVE APPROVED ANY REVISION TO LIMITED GAMING?

- Yes
- No

**Amendment 51**

SHALL STATE TAXES BE INCREASED \$186.1 MILLION ANNUALLY AFTER FULL IMPLEMENTATION BY AN AMENDMENT TO THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN THE STATE SALES AND USE TAX TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR LONG-TERM SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, INCREASING THE RATE OF THE STATE SALES AND USE TAX BEGINNING ON JULY 1, 2009, BY ONE-TENTH OF ONE PERCENT IN EACH OF THE NEXT TWO FISCAL YEARS; PERMITTING THE STATE TO RETAIN AND SPEND ALL REVENUES FROM THE NEW TAX, NOTWITHSTANDING THE STATE SPENDING LIMIT; REQUIRING AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO THE NET REVENUE FROM THE NEW TAX TO BE DEPOSITED IN THE NEWLY CREATED DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES LONG-TERM SERVICES CASH FUND; REQUIRING THE MONEY IN THE FUND TO BE USED TO PROVIDE LONG-TERM SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES; AND PROHIBITING REDUCTIONS IN THE LEVEL OF STATE APPROPRIATIONS IN THE ANNUAL GENERAL APPROPRIATION BILL EXISTING ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS MEASURE FOR LONG-TERM SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES?

- Yes
- No

**Amendment 52**

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning the allocation of revenues from the state severance tax imposed on minerals and mineral fuels other than oil shale that are extracted in the state, and, in connection therewith, for fiscal years commencing on or after July 1, 2008, requiring half of the revenues to be credited to the local government severance tax fund and the remaining revenues to be credited first to the severance tax trust fund until an annually calculated limit is reached and then to a new Colorado transportation trust fund, which may be used only to fund the construction, maintenance, and supervision of public highways in the state, giving first priority to reducing congestion on the Interstate 70 corridor?

- Yes
- No

**Amendment 53**

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado Revised Statutes extending the criminal liability of a business entity to its executive officials for the entity's failure to perform a specific duty imposed by law, and, in connection therewith, conditioning an executive official's liability upon his or her knowledge of the duty imposed by law and of the business entity's failure to perform such duty; and allowing an executive official who discloses to the attorney general all facts known to the official concerning a business's criminal conduct to use that disclosure as an affirmative defense to criminal charges?

- Yes
- No

**Amendment 54**

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning restrictions on campaign contributions, and, in connection therewith, prohibiting the holder of contracts totaling \$100,000 or more, as indexed for inflation, awarded by state or local governments without competitive bidding ("sole source government contracts"), including certain collective bargaining agreements, from making a contribution for the benefit of a political party or candidate for elective office during the term of the contracts and for 2 years thereafter; disqualifying a person who makes a contribution in a ballot issue election from entering into a sole source government contract related to the ballot issue; and imposing liability and penalties on contract holders, certain of their owners, officers and directors, and government officials for violations of the amendment?

- Yes
- No



**Amendment 55**

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning cause for employee discharge or suspension, and, in connection therewith, requiring an employer to establish and document just cause for the discharge or suspension of a full-time employee; defining "just cause" to mean specified types of employee misconduct and substandard job performance, the filing of bankruptcy by the employer, or documented economic circumstances that directly and adversely affect the employer; exempting from the just cause requirement business entities that employ fewer than twenty employees, nonprofit organizations that employ fewer than one thousand employees, governmental entities, and employees who are covered by a collective bargaining agreement that requires just cause for discharge or suspension; allowing an employee who believes he or she was discharged or suspended without just cause to file a civil action in state district court; allowing a court that finds an employee's discharge or suspension to be in violation of this amendment to award reinstatement in the employee's former job, back wages, damages, or any combination thereof; and allowing the court to award attorneys fees to the prevailing party?

- Yes
- No

**Amendment 56**

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado Constitution concerning health care coverage for employees, and, in connection therewith, requiring employers that regularly employ twenty or more employees to provide major medical health care coverage to their employees; excluding the state and its political subdivisions from the definition of "employer"; allowing an employer to provide such health care coverage either directly through a carrier, company, or organization or acting as a self-insurer, or indirectly by paying premiums to a health insurance authority to be created pursuant to this measure that will contract with health insurance carriers, companies, and organizations to provide coverage to employees; providing that employees shall not be required to pay more than twenty percent of the premium for such coverage for themselves and more than thirty percent of such coverage for the employees' dependents; financing the costs of administering the health insurance authority and health care coverage provided through the authority with premiums paid by employers to the authority and, if necessary, such revenue sources other than the state general fund as determined by the general assembly; directing the general assembly to enact such laws as are necessary to implement the measure; and setting the effective date of the measure to be no later than November 1, 2009?

- Yes
- No

**Amendment 57**

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado Revised Statutes concerning a safe workplace for employees, and, in connection therewith, requiring employers to provide safe and healthy workplaces for their employees; restricting such requirement to employers regularly employing ten or more employees in the state; and enabling employees who are injured because of an employer's violation of this requirement to file suit in district court, with the right to a jury trial, to recover compensatory and exemplary damages, actual past or future pecuniary losses, and noneconomic losses including pain and suffering, emotional distress, inconvenience, mental anguish, and loss of enjoyment of life, but prohibiting injured employees from recovering any damages for which the employee already received compensation pursuant to the "Workers' Compensation Act of Colorado"?

- Yes
- No

**Amendment 58**

SHALL STATE TAXES BE INCREASED \$321.4 MILLION ANNUALLY BY AN AMENDMENT TO THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES CONCERNING THE SEVERANCE TAX ON OIL AND GAS EXTRACTED IN THE STATE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, FOR TAXABLE YEARS COMMENCING ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2009, CHANGING THE TAX TO 5% OF TOTAL GROSS INCOME FROM THE SALE OF OIL AND GAS EXTRACTED IN THE STATE WHEN THE AMOUNT OF ANNUAL GROSS INCOME IS AT LEAST \$300,000; ELIMINATING A CREDIT AGAINST THE SEVERANCE TAX FOR PROPERTY TAXES PAID BY OIL AND GAS PRODUCERS AND INTEREST OWNERS; REDUCING THE LEVEL OF PRODUCTION THAT QUALIFIES WELLS FOR AN EXEMPTION FROM THE TAX; EXEMPTING REVENUES FROM THE TAX AND RELATED INVESTMENT INCOME FROM STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT SPENDING LIMITS; AND REQUIRING THE TAX REVENUES TO BE CREDITED AS FOLLOWS: (A) 22% TO THE SEVERANCE TAX TRUST FUND, (B) 22% TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SEVERANCE TAX FUND, AND (C) 56% TO A NEW SEVERANCE TAX STABILIZATION TRUST FUND, OF WHICH 60% IS USED TO FUND SCHOLARSHIPS FOR COLORADO RESIDENTS ATTENDING STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES, 15% TO FUND THE PRESERVATION OF NATIVE WILDLIFE HABITAT, 10% TO FUND RENEWABLE ENERGY AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAMS, 10% TO FUND TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS IN COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES IMPACTED BY THE SEVERANCE OF OIL AND GAS, AND 5% TO FUND COMMUNITY DRINKING WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT GRANTS?

- Yes
- No

**Amendment 59**

SHALL THERE BE AN AMENDMENT TO THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION CONCERNING THE MANNER IN WHICH THE STATE FUNDS PUBLIC EDUCATION FROM PRESCHOOL THROUGH THE TWELFTH GRADE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, FOR THE 2010-11 STATE FISCAL YEAR AND EACH STATE FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, REQUIRING THAT ANY REVENUE THAT THE STATE WOULD OTHERWISE BE REQUIRED TO REFUND PURSUANT TO THE CONSTITUTIONAL LIMIT ON STATE FISCAL YEAR SPENDING BE TRANSFERRED INSTEAD TO THE STATE EDUCATION FUND; ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT, FOR THE 2011-12 STATE FISCAL YEAR AND EACH STATE FISCAL YEAR THEREAFTER, THE STATEWIDE BASE PER PUPIL FUNDING FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION FROM PRESCHOOL THROUGH THE TWELFTH GRADE AND THE TOTAL STATE FUNDING FOR ALL CATEGORICAL PROGRAMS INCREASE ANNUALLY BY AT LEAST THE RATE OF INFLATION; CREATING A SAVINGS ACCOUNT IN THE STATE EDUCATION FUND; REQUIRING THAT A PORTION OF THE STATE INCOME TAX REVENUE THAT IS DEPOSITED IN THE STATE EDUCATION FUND BE CREDITED TO THE SAVINGS ACCOUNT IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; REQUIRING EITHER A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY VOTE OF EACH HOUSE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OR, IN ANY STATE FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH COLORADO PERSONAL INCOME GROWS LESS THAN SIX PERCENT BETWEEN THE TWO PREVIOUS CALENDAR YEARS, A SIMPLE MAJORITY VOTE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO USE THE MONEYS IN THE SAVINGS ACCOUNT; ESTABLISHING THE PURPOSES FOR WHICH MONEYS IN THE SAVINGS ACCOUNT MAY BE SPENT; ESTABLISHING A MAXIMUM AMOUNT THAT MAY BE IN THE SAVINGS ACCOUNT IN ANY STATE FISCAL YEAR; AND ALLOWING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO TRANSFER MONEYS FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE STATE EDUCATION FUND, SO LONG AS CERTAIN OBLIGATIONS FOR TRANSPORTATION FUNDING ARE MET?

- Yes
- No

**Referendum L**

An amendment to section 4 of article V of the constitution of the state of Colorado, concerning the ability of an elector of the state of Colorado who has attained the age of twenty-one years to serve as a member of the Colorado general assembly.

- Yes
- No

**Referendum M**

Shall section 7 of article XVIII of the state constitution concerning outdated, obsolete provisions regarding land value increase be repealed?

- Yes
- No

**Referendum N**

Shall there be a repeal of section 5 of article XVIII and article XXII of the state constitution, concerning the elimination of outdated obsolete provisions of the state constitution?

- Yes
- No

**Referendum O**

Shall there be an amendment to the Colorado constitution concerning ballot initiatives, and, in connection therewith, increasing the number of signatures required for a proposed initiative to amend the state constitution; reducing the number of signatures required for a proposed statutory initiative; requiring a minimum number of signatures for a proposed initiative to amend the state constitution to be gathered from residents of each congressional district in the state; increasing the time allowed to gather signatures for a proposed statutory initiative; modifying the review of initiative petitions; establishing a filing deadline for proposed initiatives to amend the state constitution; and requiring a two-thirds vote of all members elected to each house of the general assembly to amend, repeal, or supersede any law enacted by an initiative for a period of five years after the law becomes effective?

- Yes
- No

<b>Mesa County Referred Measure</b>
<b>Referred Measure 1A - Increase membership of the Board of County Commissioners</b>
Shall the membership of the Mesa County Board of County Commissioners, at a minimum cost of \$174,274 per year in salaries and benefits, be increased from three to five members?
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
Regardless of whether you voted Yes or No to increase the number of commissioners to five, indicate below your choice of method to elect five commissioners. The method selected by the majority of the voters will only be in effect if Referred Measure 1A passes.
<b><u>SELECT ONLY ONE</u></b>
<input type="radio"/> <b>Election method 1</b> - Shall there be three County Commissioners residing in districts, elected by the voters of the district, and two County Commissioners who are elected at-large by the voters of the whole county?  OR
<input type="radio"/> <b>Election method 2</b> - Shall there be five County Commissioners residing in districts, elected by the voters of the whole county?

Only eligible electors who reside within the **City limits of Grand Junction** will be eligible to vote on the following issues.

<b>City of Grand Junction Referred Measures</b>
<b>QUESTION 2A</b>
SHALL CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION TAXES BE INCREASED \$5,129,091 IN 2009 AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER BY SUCH ADDITIONAL AMOUNT AS IS GENERATED BY INCREASING THE CITY'S SALES AND USE TAX FROM 2.75% TO 3.00% FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING AND OPERATING PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES AND ACQUIRING EQUIPMENT FOR THE FACILITIES PROVIDED THAT SUCH TAX INCREASE SHALL TERMINATE IF QUESTION 2B PASSES AT THIS ELECTION AND WHEN THE RIVERSIDE PARKWAY BONDS HAVE BEEN DEFEASED OR ARE OTHERWISE LEGALLY PAID IN FULL; AND SHALL THE CITY BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND SUCH REVENUES AND ANY INVESTMENT EARNINGS AND INTEREST ON SUCH REVENUES, AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20, OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
<b>QUESTION 2B</b>
COMMENCING NO LATER THAN THE 90 <sup>TH</sup> DAY AFTER THE CITY HAS DEFEASED OR OTHERWISE LEGALLY PAID IN FULL ALL CITY DEBT ISSUED FOR RIVERSIDE PARKWAY SHALL THE CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN AND SPEND ALL CITY REVENUES FROM WHATEVER SOURCE, AS A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20, OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?
<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No



Only eligible electors who reside within the **City limits of Fruita** will be eligible to vote on the following issue.

**City of Fruita Referred Measure**

**CITY OF FRUITA REFERRED MEASURE 2C**

SHALL THE CITY OF FRUITA TAXES BE INCREASED \$1,760,400 (FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR DOLLAR INCREASE) ANNUALLY AND SHALL THE CITY OF FRUITA DEBT BE INCREASED BY AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000,000, WITH A MAXIMUM REPAYMENT COST OF \$36,239,400; SUCH TAXES TO CONSIST OF ALL REVENUES GENERATED FROM A RATE INCREASE OF 1.0% IN THE CITY SALES AND USE TAX (WHICH REPRESENTS A ONE CENT INCREASE ON EACH DOLLAR) WHICH SHALL BE DEPOSITED INTO A CITY COMMUNITY CENTER FUND AND USED SOLELY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING, IMPROVING, EQUIPPING, OPERATING AND MAINTAINING A COMMUNITY CENTER AND PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF REVENUE BONDS ISSUED FOR SUCH PURPOSES; SUCH DEBT TO CONSIST OF REVENUE BONDS PAYABLE FROM THE CITY COMMUNITY CENTER FUND AND ISSUED FOR THE PURPOSE OF:

- CONSTRUCTING AND EQUIPPING A COMMUNITY CENTER, TO INCLUDE AMONG OTHER THINGS, AQUATICS FACILITIES, POOL PARTY ROOMS, A GYMNASIUM, A SENIOR MEETING ROOM, MULTI-USE MEETING ROOMS, A GROUP EXERCISE STUDIO, FITNESS / WELLNESS AREAS, CHILD CARE FACILITIES, LOCKER ROOMS, FAMILY CHANGING ROOMS, UPDATING OF THE EXISTING FRUITA OUTDOOR POOL, LOBBY SPACES, AND STAFF OFFICE SPACES.

SUCH BONDS TO BE DATED AND SOLD AT SUCH TIME, AND AT SUCH PRICES (AT, ABOVE OR BELOW PAR) AND CONTAINING SUCH TERMS, NOT INCONSISTENT HEREWITH, AS THE CITY COUNCIL MAY DETERMINE; SUCH TAX RATE INCREASE TO COMMENCE JANUARY 1, 2009, AND BE REDUCED FROM A RATE OF 1.0% TO A RATE OF 0.4% ON JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> FOLLOWING THE DATE ON WHICH THE REVENUE BONDS APPROVED HEREBY ARE PAID IN FULL (BUT IN NO EVENT SHALL SUCH REDUCTION OCCUR LATER THAN JANUARY 1, 2039) TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE FOR THE IMPROVEMENT, EQUIPPING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER; AND SHALL THE TAX REVENUES DEPOSITED IN THE CITY COMMUNITY CENTER FUND AND ALL EARNINGS THEREON (REGARDLESS OF AMOUNT) CONSTITUTE A VOTER APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE, AND AN EXCEPTION TO THE REVENUE AND SPENDING LIMITS OF ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?

- Yes
- No



Katelyn Heon, Western Colorado Community College

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Only eligible electors who reside within the boundaries of **School District 51** will be eligible to vote on the following issues.

<b>Mesa County Valley School District 51 Referred Measures</b>
<b>REFERRED MEASURE 3A</b>
SHALL MESA COUNTY VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 51'S TAXES BE INCREASED \$6,000,000 ANNUALLY, BY AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL LEVY OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE 2010-2011 BUDGET YEAR AND EACH BUDGET YEAR THEREAFTER, IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO RAISE SUCH DOLLAR AMOUNT, FOR THE PURPOSE OF OPERATING AND STAFFING THE DISTRICT'S NEW OR EXPANDED INSTRUCTIONAL FACILITIES, PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT VOTER APPROVAL HEREOF SHALL ONLY BE EFFECTIVE IF BALLOT QUESTION 3B IS APPROVED; SUCH INCREASED REVENUES AND THE EARNINGS THEREON TO CONSTITUTE VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGES UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS?
<input type="radio"/> Yes
<input type="radio"/> No



<b>REFERRED MEASURE 3B</b>
SHALL MESA COUNTY VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 51'S DEBT BE INCREASED UP TO \$184,935,000, WITH A REPAYMENT COST OF UP TO \$385,000,000, AND SHALL MESA COUNTY VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 51'S TAXES BE INCREASED UP TO \$25,000,000 ANNUALLY, IN ORDER TO:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• REPAIR AND RENOVATE EXISTING SCHOOL FACILITIES TO ENHANCE STUDENT SAFETY, MEET BUILDING CODES, IMPROVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND FUNCTIONALITY, AND EXTEND THE USEFUL LIFE OF CLASSROOMS AND OTHER SPACES;</li><li>• REPLACE ORCHARD MESA MIDDLE SCHOOL;</li><li>• CONSTRUCT TWO NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, ONE IN NORTH GRAND JUNCTION AND ONE IN FRUITA, TO RELIEVE OVERCROWDING;</li><li>• CONSTRUCT TWO NEW HIGH SCHOOLS, ONE IN ORCHARD MESA AND ONE IN NORTHWEST GRAND JUNCTION TO INCREASE SPACE FOR GROWING HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT AND RELIEVE OVERCROWDING;</li><li>• ADD ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTIONAL SPACE NEEDED IN EXISTING SCHOOLS IN THE PALISADE, GRAND JUNCTION, ORCHARD MESA, AND FRUITA AREAS;</li><li>• ACQUIRE AND PURCHASE LAND FOR FUTURE SCHOOL SITES;</li></ul>
BY THE ISSUANCE AND PAYMENT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AT A NET EFFECTIVE INTEREST RATE NOT TO EXCEED 6.00% PER ANNUM AND WITH SUCH MATURITIES AS ALLOWED BY LAW, SUCH BONDS TO BE ISSUED, DATED AND SOLD AT SUCH TIME OR TIMES AND IN SUCH MANNER AND TO CONTAIN SUCH TERMS, NOT INCONSISTENT HEREWITH, AS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE DISTRICT MAY DETERMINE; AND IN CONNECTION HEREWITH (I) SHALL MESA COUNTY VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 51'S AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES BE LEVIED IN ANY YEAR IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON SUCH BONDS WHEN DUE, WITHOUT LIMITATION AS TO RATE OR AMOUNT AND (II) SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH BONDS AND THE REVENUES FROM SUCH TAXES AND ANY EARNINGS FROM THE INVESTMENT OF SUCH PROCEEDS AND REVENUES BE COLLECTED AND SPENT AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE, UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION?
<input type="radio"/> Yes
<input type="radio"/> No

Only eligible electors who reside within the boundaries of **Delta Joint School District 50** will be eligible to vote on the following issue.

**Delta County Joint School District 50 Referred Measure**

**REFERRED MEASURE 3C**

SHALL DELTA COUNTY JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT 50 DEBT BE INCREASED \$49,900,000 WITH A MAXIMUM REPAYMENT COST OF UP TO \$111,000,000, AND SHALL DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED UP TO \$5,600,000 ANNUALLY, FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING NECESSARY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO EXTEND THE USEFUL LIFE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES, AND TO ENHANCE STUDENT SAFETY, LEARNING AND WELFARE, BY:

- REPAIRING AND REPLACING SCHOOL ROOFS,
- UPGRADING AND/OR REPLACING MECHANICAL AND HVAC SYSTEMS IN VARIOUS SCHOOLS TO, AMONG OTHER THINGS, IMPROVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY,
- CONSTRUCTING A MAJOR ADDITION TO, AND RENOVATING THE EXISTING BUILDING AT, CEDAREEDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,
- RESTRUCTURING AND REFINANCING EXISTING ANNUAL LEASE-PURCHASE OBLIGATIONS OF THE DISTRICT,
- RENOVATING THE SIXTH GRADE BUILDING AT DELTA MIDDLE SCHOOL,
- CONSTRUCTING ADDITIONAL CLASSROOMS, A MULTIPURPOSE GYMNASIUM AND STADIUM IMPROVEMENTS AT DELTA HIGH SCHOOL,
- REPAIRING AND IMPROVING HOTCHKISS HIGH SCHOOL INCLUDING, AMONG OTHER THINGS, REINFORCING THE FOUNDATION, REPLACING THE GYM FLOOR, AND REMOVING/REPLACING CONCRETE,
- REPAIRING AND IMPROVING PARKING LOTS AND OUTDOOR FACILITIES AT VARIOUS SCHOOLS,
- MAKING IMPROVEMENTS TO CLASSROOMS, AND
- TO THE EXTENT FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE, EQUIPPING, IMPROVING OR REPAIRING ANY SCHOOL FACILITY OR PROPERTY,

**REFERRED MEASURE 3C Continued**

BY THE ISSUANCE AND PAYMENT OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, INSTALLMENT OR LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENTS, OR OTHER MULTIPLE FISCAL YEAR OBLIGATIONS WHICH MAY BE USED AS MATCHING MONEYS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE STATE UNDER THE BUILDING EXCELLENT SCHOOLS TODAY ACT, WHICH DEBT SHALL BEAR INTEREST AT A MAXIMUM NET EFFECTIVE INTEREST RATE NOT TO EXCEED 6.5% AND MATURE, BE SUBJECT TO REDEMPTION, WITH OR WITHOUT PREMIUM, AND BE ISSUED, DATED AND SOLD AT SUCH TIME OR TIMES, AT SUCH PRICES (AT, ABOVE OR BELOW PAR) AND IN SUCH MANNER AND CONTAINING SUCH TERMS, NOT INCONSISTENT HERewith, AS THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MAY DETERMINE; SHALL AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES BE LEVIED IN ANY YEAR, WITHOUT LIMITATION AS TO RATE AND IN AN AMOUNT SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF, PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND INTEREST ON SUCH DEBT AND TO FUND ANY RESERVES FOR THE PAYMENT THEREOF; AND SHALL ANY EARNINGS (REGARDLESS OF AMOUNT) FROM THE INVESTMENT OF THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAXES AND DEBT CONSTITUTE A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE?

- Yes
- No

Only eligible electors who reside within, or who or whose spouse, own real or personal property in the **Clifton Fire Protection District** will be eligible to vote on the following issue.

**Clifton Fire Protection District Referred Measure**

**BALLOT ISSUE 5A:**

SHALL CLIFTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TAXES BE INCREASED UP TO \$250,000 ANNUALLY IN 2009 AND BY SUCH OTHER AMOUNT AS MAY BE RAISED ANNUALLY IN EACH YEAR THEREAFTER BY THE IMPOSITION OF AN ADDITIONAL MILL LEVY OF 1.244 MILLS FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

- ONE-HALF OF THE REVENUE OF WHICH SHALL BE UTILIZED BY THE DISTRICT SOLELY FOR CAPITAL ACQUISITION, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS TO DISTRICT FACILITIES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE ACQUISITION OF ADDITIONAL LADDER TRUCKS, RESCUE VEHICLES, FIRE APPARATUS EQUIPMENT AND REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING EQUIPMENT; AND
- ONE-HALF OF THE REVENUE OF WHICH SHALL BE UTILIZED FOR OPERATION OF THE DISTRICT AND ROUTINE UP KEEP OF DISTRICT FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT.

AND SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAXES AND INVESTMENT INCOME THEREON AND ALL OTHER REVENUES OF THE DISTRICT BE COLLECTED AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE IN 2009 AND IN EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY SPENDING, REVENUE-RAISING OR OTHER LIMITATION CONTAINED WITHIN ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION OR SECTION 29-1-301, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES AND ANY OTHER LIMITATION CONTAINED IN THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF COLORADO?

- Yes  
 No

Only eligible electors who reside within, or who or whose spouse, own real or personal property in the **Fruitvale Water & Sanitation District** will be eligible to vote on the following issue.

**Fruitvale Water and Sanitation District Referred Measure**

**Referred Measure 5B**

Shall the Fruitvale Water & Sanitation District dissolve and the operations of the District be assumed by the City of Grand Junction in accordance with the Plan of Dissolution?

- Yes  
 No

Only eligible electors who reside within, or who or whose spouse, own real or personal property in the **Battlement Mesa Water Conservancy District** will be eligible to vote on the following issue.

**Battlement Mesa Water Conservancy District Referred Measure**

**Referred Measure 5C**

Whether the Battlement Mesa Water Conservancy District should be dissolved as approved by its Board of Directors?

- For dissolution  
 Against dissolution

Only eligible electors who reside within the boundaries of the **Panorama Improvement District** will be eligible to vote on the following issues.

<b>Panorama Improvement District Referred Measure</b>
<b>Referred Measure 5D</b>
SHALL PANORAMA IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT A TAXES BE INCREASED \$33,737.00 (ESTIMATED FIRST FULL FISCAL YEAR DOLLAR INCREASE) ANNUALLY OR BY SUCH AMOUNT AS IS RAISED IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF PANORAMA IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT A, BY THE IMPOSITION OF AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAXES AT AN ADDITIONAL MILL LEVY OF 4.57 MILLS, FOR A TOTAL MILL LEVY OF 14.000 MILLS, THE REVENUES OF WHICH WILL BE COLLECTED BEGINNING IN 2009 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, SUCH REVENUES TO BE USED FOR WATER SHARE ASSESSMENTS FROM REDLANDS WATER AND POWER COMPANY, FOR IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF THE IRRIGATION SYSTEM AND FOR GENERAL DISTRICT OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES; AND SHALL THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH TAXES, THE SPECIFIC OWNERSHIP TAXES RECEIVED BY THE DISTRICT AND INVESTMENT EARNINGS ON BOTH, CONSTITUTE VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGES, SPENDING CHANGES, OR BOTH, AND BE COLLECTED, RETAINED AND SPENT BY THE DISTRICT WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY SPENDING, REVENUE RAISING OR OTHER LIMITATION CONTAINED WITHIN ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION AND AS AN EXCEPTION TO THE LIMITATIONS SET FORTH IN SECTION 29-1-301 OF THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, AND ANY OTHER LAW?
<input type="radio"/> Yes
<input type="radio"/> No

Only eligible electors who reside within the boundaries of the **Whitewater Urban Services Public Improvement District** will be eligible to vote on the following issues.

<b>Whitewater Urban Services Public Improvement District Referred Measures</b>
<b>BALLOT ISSUE 5E - IMPLEMENT SALES TAX:</b>
IF THE RELIEF FROM REVENUE AND SPENDING RESTRICTIONS QUESTION IS PASSED, SHALL THE LOCAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT LOCATED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE MESA COUNTY WHITEWATER URBAN SERVICES PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ESTABLISH A ONE PERCENT (1%) SALES TAX ON ELIGIBLE COMMERCIAL TRANSACTIONS, ALL FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING, REIMBURSING, OR FINANCING ALL OR ANY PART OF THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING, COMPLETING, OPERATING, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING URBAN SERVICES WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE DISTRICT, AND SHALL THE DISTRICT COLLECT, RETAIN AND EXPEND SUCH TAXES AND INCOME THEREON AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND PROPERTY TAX REVENUE CHANGE UNDER ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION AND TO EXCEED THE 5.5% PROPERTY TAX REVENUE GROWTH LIMITATION CONTAINED IN SECTION 29-1-301, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, AND ANY OTHER REVENUE LIMITATION CONTAINED IN THE LAWS OF THE STATE?
<input type="radio"/> Yes
<input type="radio"/> No
<b>BALLOT ISSUE 5F – TABOR EXCEPTION:</b>
IF THE SALES TAX IS APPROVED, SHALL THE MESA COUNTY WHITEWATER URBAN SERVICES PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT, WITHOUT IMPOSING ANY ADDITIONAL TAX OR INCREASE IN TAX RATES, BE AUTHORIZED TO COLLECT, RETAIN, AND EXPEND EACH YEAR ALL REVENUES, AND OTHER FUNDS FROM ANY SOURCE DURING 2009 AND EACH SUBSEQUENT YEAR AS A VOTER-APPROVED REVENUE CHANGE AND WITHOUT REGARD TO ANY SPENDING, REVENUE-RAISING, OR OTHER LIMITATION CONTAINED WITHIN ARTICLE X, SECTION 20 OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION, THE 5.5% PROPERTY TAX REVENUE LIMIT OF SECTION 29-1-301, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, OR ANY OTHER LAWS OF THE STATE?
<input type="radio"/> Yes
<input type="radio"/> No

END OF SAMPLE BALLOT

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## ELECTION DAY VOTE CENTERS

# THREE WAYS TO VOTE!

### 1. MAIL-IN VOTING:

Applications are being accepted now.  
 If you have applied for a mail-in ballot,  
 your ballot will be mailed beginning the week of October 6, 2008.

\*Returned postage to mail in your ballot will be \$0.59. If you prefer to drop off  
 your ballot you may do so at any DMV branch office or the Elections office  
 prior to Election Day. For an application, go to: [vote.mesacounty.us](http://vote.mesacounty.us)

### 2. EARLY VOTING:

Simply arrive during the hours posted below,  
 Sign-in and vote.

**October 20, 2008 — October 31, 2008**

Mesa Mall-Southern Corridor—8:00 a.m.—7:00 p.m.  
 (Across from Grand Junction Police Substation)

(Old) Mesa County Courthouse—8:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

Clifton Community Hall—8:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

Fruita Police Dept—8:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

Mesa County Fairgrounds, --8:00 a.m.—6:00 p.m.

**October 25, 2008 (Saturday)**

(Old) Mesa County Courthouse—10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

### 3. ELECTION DAY VOTING:

Go to any Vote Center on Election Day November 4, 2008.

Election Day voting is conducted on our  
*iVotronic* touch screen voting units.

Vote at the Vote Center of your choice.  
 Your ID will be required when you vote!

**All Motor Vehicle Offices will be closed Tuesday,  
 November 4, 2008 – these Clerk and Recorder staff  
 members will be assisting with the General Election!**

FRUITA/LOMA AREA:	FRUITVALE/PEAR PARK AREA:
Fruita 8/9 School 1835 J Road	Department of Human Services 510 29 ½ Road
Fruita Middle School 239 N Maple	Grand Mesa Middle School 585 31 ½ Road
Loma Elementary 1360 13 Road	Pear Park Baptist Church 3102 E Road
REDLANDS AREA:	ORCHARD MESA AREA:
Redlands Community Church 2327 Broadway	Mesa County Fairgrounds 2785 Highway 50
Redlands Middle School 2200 Broadway	CLIFTON AREA:
Two Rivers Winery 2087 Broadway	Midlands Village Comm. Building 435 32 Road #500
GRAND JUNCTION AREA:	Clifton Community Hall 126 2nd Street
Two Rivers Convention Center 159 Main St	PALISADE AREA:
Mesa State College 12th Street & Orchard Avenue	Palisade Veterans Memorial Building 120 E 8th Street
First Christian Church 1326 N 1 <sup>st</sup>	OUTLYING AREA:
Mesa Mall 2424 Highway 6 & 50 (Across from the G.J. Police Substation)	DeBeque Comm. Center 381 Minter Avenue
NORTH AREA:	Mesa Community Center 48973 KE Road
Northeast Christian Church 2001 Patterson Road	Collbran-Plateau Valley School 56600 Hwy 330
The Atrium of Grand Valley 3260 N 12th Street	Gateway Community Center 42700 Highway 141
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church 790 26 ½ Road	
Fellowship Church 765 24 Road	