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Honorable Hank Brown  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

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*Mesa County*

Dear Hank:

Thank you for your letter of June 24, 1981, requesting the expeditious consideration of the Grand Junction wastewater treatment plant grant request.

As you are aware, the Mesa County (Grand Junction) grant was awarded on June 30, 1981. The awarded amount is for \$10.5 million which is the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) share of a segmented wastewater treatment facility addition. As stated in the enclosed letter, the award was originally expected to be for \$14 million but because of the recent rescission, the State of Colorado revised the State project priority list and a \$10.5 million segmented grant was awarded.

The availability of the additional \$3.5 million for the Mesa County project depends on future funding levels and the assignment of priority to the remaining segment of the project by the State of Colorado. Currently the funding level for FY 82 is uncertain since the final legislative package has not passed the Congress as yet and division of those funds among the States is still being discussed.

Possible impacts of the Colorado Springs court suit challenging the State of Colorado's priority system adds additional elements of uncertainty to future funding of specific projects in Colorado.

I hope that this information will be of use to you and the people of Grand Junction and Mesa County. Please feel free to contact me if additional information is required.

Sincerely yours,

Anne

Anne M. Gorsuch

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