



City of Grand Junction, Colorado

December 1, 1977

Mr. Evan Dildyne
Technical Secretary
Water Quality Control Commission
4210 East 11th Avenue
Denver, Colorado 80220

RE: Request to Proceed with Final Design.

Dear Mr. Dildyne:

In response to a resolution passed by the Water Quality Control Commission in their July 6, 1976 meeting, which informed the City and Mesa County, that they regarded the treatment of land application by the Mesa County 201 plan as inadequate and superficial. It also noted that the Commission will require that the full provision for assessment of waste water land treatment alternatives be in evidence prior to any consideration for approval of a permanent site plan.

We proceeded to fully address the question of land treatment and have been involved in a series of studies and public hearings since that time to fully address the land application method of waste water disposal.

The Environmental Protection Agency allowed the City to move into Step II or the Final Design Step E.P.A. construction Grand Program in November 1976; however, they set our program up in such a way that the Step II program was to be completed in two phases. The first phase was to consist of a study of the land application alternatives. Phase II was to consist of final design of the treatment works. E.P.A. also stated that the City "is not to proceed with Phase II until the Colorado Water Quality Control Commission approves the completed portion of the Phase I related to the treatment plant".

The City and County retained the services of Henningson, Durham and Richardson in conjunction with the engineering firm of Culp-Wessner and Culp to prepare a study of the land application alternatives.

On several different occasions HDR and others have presented their studies to the Valley Wide Sewer Advisory Committee. After several meetings of discussion this committee approved the plan outlined in the supplement to the Predesign Report as described as Alternate 5.

The Mesa County Planning Commission, the Mesa County Board of County Commissioners, and the City Council of the City of Grand Junction all held public hearings on all of the alternatives being considered. These groups after serious consideration have all passed resolutions recommending the plan as outlined in Alternate 5 in the Supplement Report.

Having completed all local input, we will appear before the commission on December 6, 1977 to ask that you accept our studies regarding land application of waste water and approve the Phase I part of the design phase. Also allow the City and County to move into Phase II of the design Step II which is final design of the project under the alternate expressed as number 5 in the supplement to the pre-design report.

We thank you for the opportunity of the December 6 appearance and look forward to your help in solving the growing problems of our area.

Sincerely,

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