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- 01/74 "Facilities Planning Summary" - EPA Guidance document. [CDOH Documents]
- 01/25/74 Letter from Earl T. Balkum, Engineer, Water Quality Control Division, Colorado Department of Health to J.D. Arehart, Colorado Division of Local Governments re: EPA/State priority list for EPA sewage grants enclosing the current list of municipalities and sanitation districts with their priority points for EPA funds. [County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]
- 01/31/74 County Commissioners adopt a resolution favoring a "Master Sewer Plan for Mesa County". The resolution further encourages all members of the Western Colorado Council of Governments to support and encourage the approval of planning grant monies from the Four Corners Regional Commission or other grant monies from other organizations for the purpose of planning a master sewer system for Mesa County. (Commissioners Aubert, Lamm and Wadlow). [Commissioners Minutes]
- 02/25/74 Letter from Dean Chassee, EPA, to George Prince, Colo. Dept. of Health, summarizing visits to several water systems, including GJ, listing problem areas. [020]
- 02/27/74 Letter from attorney Anderson to Phillip H. Schmuck, Director Colorado Division of Planning re: Mesa County sanitation system - inquiring as to what authority the Division of Planning has to authorize the Colorado West Area COG to spend money purportedly allocated to the Mesa County Commissioners for sewer studies. [County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]
- 02/27/74 Letter from attorney Albin Anderson to Secretary of the Interior Rogers Morton - Anderson writes as attorney for the Board of Commissioners who are seeking to provide modern sanitation facilities for Mesa County before it is engulfed by sewage costs by the forthcoming oil shale boom and seeking information concerning existing federal aid programs. [County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]
- 03/05/74 Letter from F. Kenneth Baskette, Jr. Assistant Director, Colorado Division of Planning to Jack Wadlow, Chairman Mesa County Commissioners emphasizing that the Four Corners Technical Assistance funds are being granted for the purpose of planning by Mesa County for a master sewage treatment plan in the Grand Valley and the passage of those funds through the council of governments is by no means intend to usurp the planning authority of the County, nor will it limit the full grant amount being available to the County. [County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]
- 03/05/74 Letter from F. Kenneth Baskette, Jr., Assistant Director, Colorado Division of Planning to attorney Anderson re: Mesa County sanitation system and Mr. Anderson's 2/27/74 letter re: the passing of funds through the Council of Governments. [County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]
- 03/11/74 Letter from attorney Anderson to John Halligan, Executive Director of Council of Governments re: Mesa County sanitation system concerning the Ad Hoc Committee appointed by the Mesa County Commissioners for studying the valley wide sewer and identifying the venturer as the "Mesa County sanitation system". [County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]
- 03/14/74 EPA issues National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Discharge Permit Number CO-0026417 to the City pursuant to Section 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972, 33 USC 1251 (Permit to expire December 31, 1975). [See, Appendix A to 1975 201 Plan: Documents Volume I, #10].

- 03/18/74 Letter from Earl T. Balkfum, Domestic Waste Consultant, WQCD/CDOH to Jim Patterson re: grants for sewage treatment works - state and federal funds available for FY-75. Notice is given that the EPA is now requiring additional information: a complete I/I Study of the collection system, a detailed Environmental Impact Study (EIS) and completion of the 201 Plan. Transmitted a copy of EPA's regulations concerning engineering reports. **[CDOH Documents]**
- 03/18/74 Letter to City Public Works Director Harvey M. Rose from EPA, Irwin L. Dickstein transmitting EPA Discharge Permit. [See, Appendix A to 1975 201 Plan: Documents Volume I, #10].
- 03/22/74 Letter from Jack Horton, Assistant Secretary of the Interior to Albin Anderson (attached to Mr. Anderson's 6/4/74 letter). **[County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]**
- 03/22/74 Letter from attorney Anderson to Congressman Teno Rancalio, re: Mesa County sanitation system, requesting consideration for crisis assistance through proposed legislation to establish a special fund to help communities affected by rapid population growth from oil shale development. **[County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]**
- 03/29/74 County Commissioners approve funds from "Revenue Sharing" money to have the Master Sewer Plan prepared immediately and to retain Western Engineers to make the study and a report. This action follows the report of Bob Jennings and Albin Anderson (representing the Mesa County Sanitation Committee) concerning the planning process for a plan encompassing the entire valley from Palisade to Loma. **[Commissioners Minutes]**
- 04/09/74 Notice of Public Hearing before the Colorado Water Quality Control Commission (5/10/74 hearing), re: "Proposed Priority Points for EPA Grants". **[County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]**
- 04/10/74 Notice of Final Adoption, Colorado Water Quality Control Commissioner "Rules for Subsurface Disposal Systems". **[County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]**
- 04/12/74 Letter from James Patterson to Rick Cisar, Planning Dept., re: I & I issues: a prerequisite to federal grant money being awarded for sewage treatment construction is an engineering study to determine the amount of infiltration of ground or storm water into the system. Before the City will be eligible for federal money for additional sewage treatment construction, this study must be completed. (A study of the sanitary sewers and storm sewers - as a combines or separate systems). **[046 - attached to 10/11/78 Water Consumption memo]**
- 04/15/74 County Commissioners approve entering into an agreement with Western Engineers to do the Master Plan report and study for proposed sanitation facilities for the Grand Valley area of Mesa County "subject to money being received from the Four Corners Commission". **[Commissioners Minutes]**
- 04/16/74 Letter from John Halligan, Executive Director (County?) to Phillip Schmuck, Colorado Division of Planning, attaching a copy of an agreement and proposed work program for master sanitation plan for the Grand Valley - 4/15/74 Agreement between Mesa County and Western Engineers. **[County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]**
- 04/25/74 Letter from Edward G. Dreyfus, Executive Director, CDOH to Mesa County Commissioners encouraging coordination of planning efforts in the Mesa County area between the Commissioners, the City, the Valleywide Sewer Committee, the EPA and the Water Quality Control Division so as to avoid duplication of effort and expense. The County's proposed Master Plan Study and Report to be prepared by Western Engineers "will probably not meet 201 planning requirements." (See: 4/15/74 Commissioners' Minutes - contract with Western Engineers signed; also, 5/8/94, 5/9/94, 7/8/74, 7/15/74 and 8/74, etc., below).

- 05/74 Draft Guidelines for Area-wide Waste Treatment Management, by EPA. (Inside book: typed notes on selection of a consulting engineer for 208 Area Wide Waste Treatment Management Planning Study for the Colorado West Area Council of Governments; handwritten notes re Section 208; EPA brochure "Asbestos Waste Management Guidance".) [035 - loose In Public Works box]
- 05/06/74 Letter from Jack Wadlow, Chairman County Commissioners to T.W. Ten Eyck, Chairman, Colorado Water Quality Control Commission, Colorado Department of Health advising that the County and City are presently cooperating in having a master sewer plan for the entire Grand Junction valley and requesting that the Colorado Water Quality Control Commissioner re-adjusts its ranking criteria for federal sewage facility construction grant applications and complaining that if the present point system is followed "it appears to us we might never have enough points to qualify for sewage grants". [County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]
- 05/08/74 City contracts with NHPQ, Inc. (engineers) to prepare the "Grand Junction Area Facilities Plan" in compliance with Public Law 92-500, Section 201 (Federal Water Pollution Act Amendments of 1972 in accordance with the guidelines set forth by the EPA). (Grand Junction 201 Facilities Plan).
- 05/09/74 Meeting between County Commissioners, City Officials, Western Engineers, Inc., State and Local Health Department Officials, Mesa County Sanitation Committee Representatives, other engineers and planning officials. Health Department officials express concern about the possibility of duplication of work by Western Engineers, Inc. on the Master Plan for the Grand Valley and the Basin Studies by NHPQ, Inc. being performed for the City. The possibility of modifying the County Master Plan studies to comply with Step I of the Facilities Planning Process was also discussed. County Budget officer Ford requested that Western Engineers review the EPA publication "guidance for facilities planning" and estimate the cost and time which might be involved in incorporating Step I of the facilities planning process as part of the County Master Plan report. [See the 5/15/74 letter from Western Engineers, Inc. to the County Commissioners - County documents].
- 05/015/74 Letter from Richard Mandeville, Western Engineers, Inc. to County Commissioners re: Mesa County Sanitation System Master Plan studies modification for utilization in the facilities planning process. (Step 1 - EPA). [County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]
- 05/21/74 Letter from attorney William Foster to attorney Anderson re: Mesa County sanitation system - Foster will not be able to be involved, in part, because it is apparent that Anderson intends to create a fight between the City and the County and Foster does not believe that is in the best interest of the valley. [County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]
- 05/22/74 Letter from attorney Anderson to attorney Foster re: Mesa County sanitation system. Anderson, in effect, denies any intent to set the City and County at odds but does not intend to remain silent if there is anyone who is in opposition to the efforts of the County Commissioners to seek state and federal funds for a County sewer system. He is emphasizing the need for a county-wide sewer system. [County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]
- 06/74 Service Plan Report for the Orchard Mesa Sanitation District (as proposed) Mesa County, Colorado. [048]
- 06/74 "Service Plan Report for the Orchard Mesa Sanitation District" (as proposed) Mesa County, Colorado, prepared by Western Engineers. [County file - Box 4]
- 06/04/74 Letter from attorney Anderson to Jack Horton, Assistant Secretary of the Interior. [County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]

- 07/08/74 County Commissioners enter into a letter agreement with the Colorado West Area Council of Governments pursuant to which the COG agrees to provide financial assistance to the County for preparation of a Master Plan study and report on the existing and proposed sanitation facilities in the Grand Valley area of Mesa County. The agreement specifies the subject matters to be studied. Signed by Bill Brennan of Colorado West Area Council of Governments and Commissioner Wadlow. **[Commissioners Minutes]**
- 07/08/74 Letter of agreement between the Commissioners and the Colorado West Area Council of Governments for financial assistance from COG for the preparation of a master plan study and report on the existing and proposed sanitation facilities in the Grand Valley. **[County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]**
- 07/09/74 Letter from John Green, EPA Region VIII, Administrator to attorney Albin Anderson re: Anderson's 6/28/74 request for current information regarding grants assistance for treatment plants and collection systems. Good explanation for construction grants program/priority system and inadequate funding for all proposed projects. Alternatives: Farmers Home Administration and Environmental Financing Authority Loans. **[CDOH Documents]**
- 07/15/74 County Commissioners approve extension until 8/15/74 for preliminary draft of Western Engineers report of the Mesa County Sanitation System Master Plan. **[Commissioners Minutes]**
- 07/26/74 Letter from Kenneth Webb, Planning Consultant, WQCD/CDOH to John Green, Regional Administration, EPA Region VII containing the legal description for the Grand Junction Area 201 Planning Area. **[CDOH Documents]**
- H 08/74 "Master Plan Report - Mesa County Sanitation System proposed sewage, transmission lines, treatment facilities, and service areas, Grand Valley area, Mesa County, Colorado (report prepared for the County Commissioners and funded by Four Corners Regional Commission and the County Commissioners). Prepared by Western Engineers, Inc. Legal consultant: Albin Anderson, attorney.
- V 08/74 Mesa County sanitation system master plan report re: proposed sewage transmission lines, treatment facilities and service areas Grand Valley area, Mesa County, Colorado prepared by Western Engineers and funded by Four Corners Regional Commission and Mesa County - Board of County Commissioners (NOTE: legal consultant, Albin Anderson, attorney, Grand Junction, Colorado).
- 08/07/74 Letter from Dick Williamson, Assistant Planner, Colorado Division of Planning to Gordon Buckman, Assistant Executive Director, Colorado West Council of Governments re: Mesa County sanitation system master plan contract no. 4C-11(contract extension). **[County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]**
- 08/13/74 Letter from John R. Hinton, Planning Program, WQCD/CDOH to Richard Brown, Colorado Division of Planning recommending the Grand Junction Sewage Plant modification proceed because of its beneficial effect on the water quality of the Colorado River even though a Water Quality Management Plan has not yet been completed. **[CDOH Documents]**
- 09/05/74 Letter, EPA Enforcement Division Permits and Technical Support Branch Chief, Evan D. Dildine to Jim Patterson approving the August 8, 1974 letter as an adequate compliance schedule for the City under its EPA permit. [Appendix A to 1975 201 Plan: Documents Volume I, #10, pages 18 to 20]. **[012]**
- 09/12/74 Proposed Agreement between the City and the County for implementation of the "Master Plan Report, Mesa County Sanitation System, Proposed Sewage Transmission Lines, Treatment Facilities and Service Areas; Grand Valley Area, Mesa County, Colorado - August, 1974", which program is more fully set forth in the "Facilities Plan, City of Grand Junction,

Colorado, Project No. 74-2-CIV-0525, June, 1975." **[Valley Wide Sewer Committee documents]**

- 09/30/74 Western Engineers meets with County Commissioners and discusses the Master Valleywide Sewer Study and asks for suggestions. **[Commissioners Minutes]**
- 10/04/74 Letter from attorney Albin Anderson to Commissioners re: Mesa County Sanitation System urging the Commissioners to get into the sewer business pursuant to state statute ASAP before neighborhoods are further fragmented by the development of local sewer districts. **[County file - Sewer Study - Box 1]**
- 10/24/74 Letter from E.B. Pugsley, WQCC/CDOH to Jim Patterson re: approval of the City's "Application for Approval of Location" for a sewage treatment addition to the existing 7.3 M.G.D. wastewater treatment facility but mandating "the facility must be connected to regional facilities and interceptors at such time as they are available in accordance with the Basin Water Quality Plan." **[CDOH Documents]**
- 10/25/74 Western Union Mailgram from Floyd Haskell to James Patterson, congratulating receipt of grant of \$27,000 from EPA for facilities planning for improvements to wastewater treatment facilities. **[020]**
- 11/06/74 City Council Minutes: Passed resolution re creation of a district for Sanitary Sewer 31-74, the second phase of the OM project; bid for construction awarded to Kelran Constructors, Inc.; bid for sale of bonds awarded to Kirchner, Moore and Company. Passed resolution re creation of Sanitary Sewer District #2-74 Partee Hts.; bid for construction awarded to Industrial Company of Steamboat; bid for sale of bonds awarded to Kirchner, Moore and Company. Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Grand Junction was passed for publication (50-acre tract north of Orchard Ave.) Passed resolution designating Sam Suplizio to represent City on steering committee of land use administration for Mesa County and City of GJ. **[022] [Documents by Category - Volume V]**
- 11/13/74 City Council Minutes: Passed resolutions that proposed ordinances re changing charges for use of sewerage system. **[022] [Documents by Category - Volume V]**
- 11/20/74 City Council Minutes: Passed Ordinances re annexation of Orchard Avenue; amending ordinances re regulating use of public and private sewage disposal for publication. **[022] [Documents by Category - Volume V]**
- 12/74 NHPQ, Inc. presents the City with its first report, an Infiltration/Inflow Analysis of the City of Grand Junction's, and adjacent, sewage collection systems. (Grand Junction 201 Facilities Plan).
- 12/74 NHPQ, Inc. presents the City with its second report, an evaluation of the City's existing Two-Stage Trickling Filter Plant. (Grand Junction 201 Facilities Plan).
- 12/04/74 City Council Minutes: Proof of Publication of proposed ordinance re regulating use of public and private sewage disposal was presented, resolution adopting ordinance passed. City Manager introduced a Resolution which would support area-wide planning for waste treatment, withdrew resolution. **[022]**
- 12/04/74 City repeals and reenacts Chapter 25 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Grand Junction for regulating the use of public and private sewers and drains; Ordinance No. 1536. **[Appendix 5 to the 1975 Facilities Plan: Documents Volume I, #10].**
- 1204/74 City Ordinance 1536. Repealed and reenacted Chapter 25 of the Code of Ordinances regarding sewers. Sewer Service charge \$2.67 per month per single family dwelling. Doubled the rate for outside of the City users. Connection permit required. City allows

connection, if feasible, for property lying outside of the City limits where it is not in any way possible for such property to annex to the City to obtain service. Such connections shall be made through agreement between the City and property owners. Compliance with all City ordinances regulations and rules concerning connections required. Ordinance effective 1/6/75. **[Documents by Category-Volume V]**

12/09/74

Western Engineers submits to the County Commissioners the Master Plan report on the Proposed Sewage Transmission Lines, Treatment Facilities and Service Areas of the Mesa County Sanitation System. Western's recommendation is for a total expenditure of \$19.6 million dollars for all sewage projects within the County. The plan calls for formation of several sanitation districts, treatment facilities, outfall and interceptor lines throughout the County, all as part of a central system. Jack Sparks of COG makes recommendations regarding financing possibilities. Sparks also recommends a resolution forming a countywide sewer district with separate resolutions forming smaller districts within the countywide district be adopted. The smaller districts would be formed to construct collection systems to feed into the County interceptor system. Commissioners agreed to review the report and act on it before 12/30/74. **[Commissioners Minutes]**

12/16/74

County Commissioners adopt a resolution supporting the Colorado West Area Council of Governments in an area-wide planning and management process for waste treatment under Section 208 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act Amendments of 1972. The Federal statutes and EPA guidelines and regulations require local entities such as the County to adopt a resolution stating an intent to participate and render assistance to the Colorado West Area Council of Governments to conduct and implement waste treatment management planning "which will result in a coordinated waste treatment system for State Planning Region 11." The resolution further states "all proposals for grants for the construction of publicly owned treatment works will be consistent with the approved plan for the coordinated system and will be made only by the designated management agency." The resolution was adopted by Commissioners Aubert, Albers and Lamm. **[Commissioners Minutes]**

12/18/74

City Council Minutes: Proposed ordinance re Etter Annexation passed for publication; Gordon Bruchner of Nelson, Haley, Patterson & Quirk presented first of three studies of analyses as a prerequisite for application to EPA for grant funds in connection with infiltration-inflow to Water Pollution Control Plant; motion carried supporting area-wide planning for waste treatment. **[022] [Documents by Category - Volume V]**

12/23/74

County Commissioners enter into an agreement with the Colorado West Area Council of Governments to provide matching funds in the amount of \$20,358. **[Commissioners Minutes]**