

C CONNECTIONS

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TRI-COUNTY WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

ADDED BENEFITS OF AGRICULTURAL WATER

Last month we discussed the benefits of water storage and how water is delivered and used in the Uncompahgre Valley. A major portion of the supply is used by farmers and ranchers but agricultural water benefits us all in other ways as well.

The water which flows through the City of Montrose's Water Sports Park is irrigation water released by the Uncompahgre Valley Water Users' Association (UUVWUA) from Taylor Park and Ridgway Reservoir. Stored water supplies flow to their point of diver-

sion to local canals and laterals down the Uncompahgre River. As the water is conveyed to the land, users of the water park benefit from increased volumes of water in the River. UUVWUA water rights are an essential element that contributes to the success of the sports park.

UUVWUA Manager Steve Anderson feels endeavors like the Montrose's Water Sports Park are a "Win/Win" for the whole community.



RIDGWAY
RESERVOIR
LEVEL:
53%
FULL

Conservation CORNER

PLANTING AHEAD

fall is the perfect time to plan ahead for the spring. Not only will it be easier to garden in the cool weather, plants planted in the fall tend to need less water and look almost perfect in the spring.