

# Gunnison Basin & Grand Valley Selenium Task Forces

## Joint Meeting & Field Tour: Changing Land Use, Ponds, & Selenium

March 23rd, 2006

### Please join us!

The Gunnison Basin and Grand Valley Selenium Task Forces are hosting a morning field tour and afternoon of educational presentations & discussion related to changing land use (focusing on ponds) and its influence on selenium in the Gunnison Basin and Grand Valley. All interested stakeholders are invited to participate in this important day long event.

### Our goals are:

1. To gain a perspective on **changing land use**, especially as it relates to ponds;
2. To discuss ways to address the potential effects of **ponds on selenium and salt loading** to our waterways;
3. To discuss ways to address the proliferation of ponds from a **wise water use** perspective; and
4. To discuss **opportunities and challenges** that may exist in addressing changing land use and water quality as a community.

### Field tour (8:45 am to 12 pm)

**When:** Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006, tour starts promptly at 8:30am

**Where:** Vans will leave from the **Montrose Pavilion** south west parking lot. Three different ponds will be visited with brief presentations and discussions at each:

1. Recreational waterski pond;
2. Subdivision pond currently under construction; and
3. Commercial golf course ponds.

\* Please bring appropriate clothing for inclement weather and comfortable shoes for walking. We need to limit the number of vehicles on private/public property so you must use the van pool.

\*\* Map with directions attached (pg. 2)

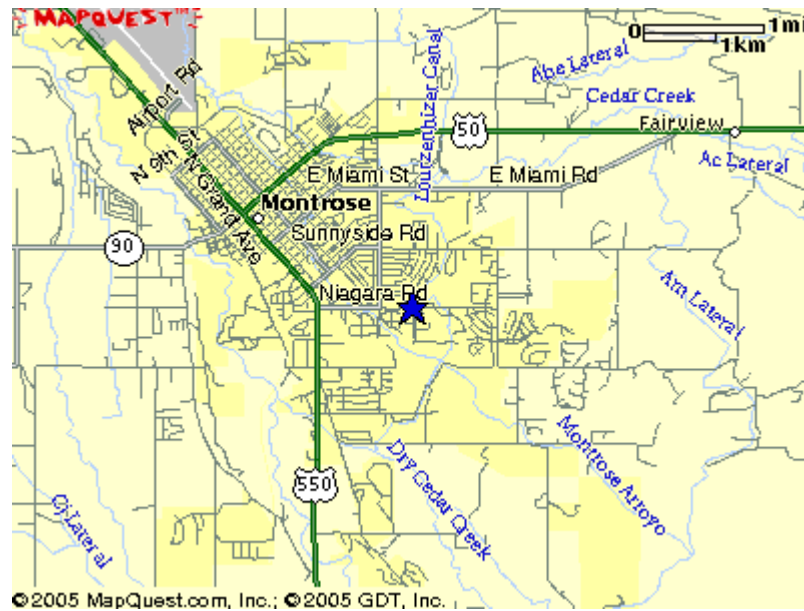
### Sponsored luncheon & guest speakers (12pm to 3:30pm)

Lunch will be provided compliments of the Colorado River Water Conservation District and SC Environmental – **BUT ONLY FOR THOSE WHO R.S.V.P!** Please let us know if you will be joining us by emailing [gbstf@adelphia.net](mailto:gbstf@adelphia.net) or by calling 970-641-8927. This is a great opportunity to reflect on what we learned from the pond tour and to network – don't miss it!

### Framing the Problem (1:15 pm to 4:15pm)

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| 12:30 pm | <b>Issues with Ponds in the lower Gunnison and Grand Valley</b> (Mike Baker, US Bureau of Reclamation)   |
| 1:15 pm  | <b>Lining Ponds to Reduce Salt Loading</b> (Fred Fisher, Shavano Conservation District)  |
| 1:45 pm  | <b>Discussion: Opportunities and Challenges to Addressing Selenium and Salt Loading from Ponds.</b> Facilitated Group Discussion (Sonja Chavez de Baca, Selenium Task Force Coordinator) |
| 2:15 pm  | <b>Using Models as Tools for Evaluating Salt and Selenium in the Gunnison Basin &amp; Grand Valley</b> (Ken Leib and Cory Williams, US Geological Survey)                                |
| 3:15 pm  | <b>Wrap-up and Next Steps</b> (Sonja Chavez de Baca, Selenium Task Force Coordinator)  |

## MAP TO THE MONTROSE PAVILION 1800 PAVILION DRIVE



From Grand Junction: Take highway 50 heading south to Montrose. At the stop light in downtown Montrose, US 50 becomes Townsend Ave/US 550. Go straight to continue on US 550. Proceed on US 550 for approximately 1 mile and turn left on Niagara Rd. Proceed on Niagara Rd for approximately 0.8 miles – Pavilion Drive on your right. Proceed to parking lot and load into vans for the tour.

From East (e.g. Denver): Take highway 50 heading west toward Montrose. As you're entering Montrose city limits look for Hillcrest Drive on your left. Turn Left on Hillcrest Dr. and proceed 0.9 miles. Hillcrest Dr. becomes 6600 Rd (proceed 0.5 miles to E. Niagara Rd). Turn left on E. Niagara Rd for 0.3 miles. Pavilion Drive is on your left. Proceed to parking lot and load into vans for the tour.