

LGBAC Water Policy Statement

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Philosophy

The Greeley Chamber of Commerce recognizes the need for proactive water policies and development to ensure adequate future supplies for Greeley's residents and for the future growth of Greeley. We also recognize the need for conservation measures. We believe proactive and long term efforts are imperative for Greeley to maximize the benefits from this valuable natural resource.

Policies

Consistent with its Water Philosophy, the Chamber will support:

- Water management policies that facilitate economic expansion.
- Preservation of a high quality water supply.
- Working relationships between the city, agriculture and related industries.
- Continued acquisition of water rights to support future community needs.
- Water storage projects to support future community needs.
- Water conservation efforts.
- Use of the City of Greeley's "Water Bank" for economic development.
- Acquisition of Colorado Big Thompson water units as this resource is readily moved and can be used for municipal and agricultural needs.
- Acquisition of other senior water rights to support current and future community needs.

Action Items

Consistent with its Water Policies, the Chamber will:

- Continue to support the City of Greeley's efforts in water quality.
- Encourage development and promotion of water storage projects.
- Support a continuous, comprehensive and visible public education program that helps residents and businesses use water appropriately and efficiently.
- Monitor and participate in legislative issues that affect Greeley's water supply.
- Encourage participation in the City of Greeley's Conservation Program.
- Monitor code and development regulations that affect Greeley's water resources.