



FUNDING. Recreation is a huge part of the headwaters economy. Whitewater boating provides hundreds of jobs and thousands of dollars to Grand County businesses every year. Building a whitewater park is an investment in recreational infrastructure that benefits the entire regional economy. The Upper Colorado River is second only to the Arkansas River in commercially guided rafting trips in Colorado. The citizens of the headwaters understand the good return on the investment in creation and protection of recreational infrastructure and access to the Colorado River.

The Gore Canyon Whitewater Park was funded by broad support from many sources. The residents of Grand and Eagle County have been long term supporters of County Commissioner's decisions to allocate public funds to enhance river recreation. The diverse members of the Colorado Basin Roundtable voted unanimously to award Basin Funds to the project and the members of the Colorado Water Conservation board also allocated Water Supply Reserve Account funds to the project. The Department of Local Affairs awarded Mineral and Energy Assistance Impact Funds derived from oil, gas, carbon dioxide, coal and metals extracted in Colorado towards the project.

\$600,000+	Grand County Colorado Citizens & Individual Boaters
\$340,000	Eagle County Colorado Citizens
\$100,000	Colorado Basin Roundtable Basin Account Fund
\$400,000	Colorado Water Conservation Board, Water Supply Reserve Account
\$200,000	Colorado Department of Local Affairs, Tier I, Severance Tax Funds