

Budget Message

Upper Arkansas Conservation District

Purpose: The budget message is used to describe several features of the budget and must include: Important features of the budget, the budgetary basis of accounting, and the description of the services to be delivered during the budget year.

This message is a statutory requirement included with the budget. (29-1-103(1)(e), C.R.S.)

Section 1

The district's General Fund Budget (attached) includes the following important features

Tax Levy

We have a tax levy of 0 mills which generates \$0.00 which is 0% of our revenue.

Revenue Source

Most of our income is derived through:

Direct Assistance, meeting/workshop incomes, Colorado Soil Health Program (STAR), and competitive grants.

Expenses

Our expenses consist mainly:

Insurance, education and outreach events, collaborative natural resource projects, professional services.

Explanatory Budget Notes:

Grant funding originally allocated in budget year 2021 was re-allocated and primarily received in budget year 2022. Monies were distributed as benchmarks were met. Additionally, UACD was also the fiscal agent partner for grants for a natural resource concern project on the Sunny Side Ditch. The Colorado Soil Health Program (STAR) provides additional funding in both budget year 2022 and 2023.

Section 2

The Upper Arkansas Conservation District uses cash basis accounting.

Section 3

The services this district offers are:

- Conservation education materials and programs to youth & adults
- Nature resource conservation recommendations to citizens
- Tours and demonstrations of conservation practices to public
- Literature on technical assistance and cost-share programs
- Subdivision reviews for the county
- Scholarship for college or youth resource camp
- Future conservation equipment rental for district land owners
- Other- Coordination and facilitation of Natural Resources Planning

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE TO ADOPT BUDGET

(Pursuant to 29-1-108, C.R.S.)

A RESOLUTION/AN ORDINANCE SUMMARIZING EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES FOR Upper Arkansas Conservation District

EACH FUND AND ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE

COLORADO, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR BEGINNING ON THE FIRST DAY OF JANUARY, 2023

, AND ENDING ON THE LAST DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023 .

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has appointed Susan Evans,

to prepare and submit a proposed budget to said

governing body at the proper time; and

WHEREAS, has submitted a proposed budget to this governing

body on December 12, 2022, , for its consideration, and;

WHEREAS, upon due and proper notice, published or posted in accordance with the law, said proposed

budget was open for inspection by the public at a designated place, a public hearing was held on

December 12, 2022 and interested taxpayers were given the opportunity to file or register any

objections to said proposed budget, and;

WHEREAS, whatever increases may have been made in the expenditures, like increases were added to

the revenues or planned to be expended from reserves/fund balances so that the budget remains in

balance, as required by law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE of the Upper Arkansas Conservation District, Salida

, Colorado:

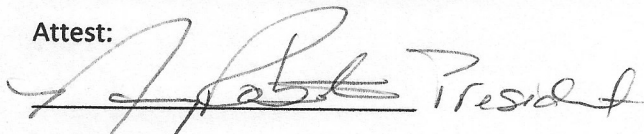
Section 1. That the budget as submitted, amended, and summarized by fund, hereby is approved and adopted as the budget of the for the year stated above.

Section 2. That the budget hereby approved and adopted shall be signed by

and made a part of the public records of the Upper Arkansas Conservation District.

ADOPTED, this 12th day of December , A.D., 2022

Attest:



(Official's signature and title)



(Official's signature and title)

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE TO SET MILL LEVIES

(Pursuant to 39-5-128, C.R.S. and 39-1-111, C.R.S.)

A RESOLUTION / AN ORDINANCE LEVYING PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2023, TO HELP DEFRAY THE COSTS OF GOVERNMENT FOR THE Upper Ark. Cons. Dist.,

COLORADO, FOR THE 2023 BUDGET YEAR.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the UACD, has adopted the annual budget in accordance with the Local Government Budget Law, on December 12, 2023 and;

WHEREAS, the amount of money necessary to balance the budget for **general operating** purposes from property tax revenue is \$ 0, and;

WHEREAS, the UACD finds that it is required to **temporarily** lower the operating mill levy to render a refund for \$ 0, and:

WHEREAS, the amount of money necessary to balance the budget for **capital expenditure** purposes from property tax revenue approved by voters or at public hearing is \$ 0, and;

WHEREAS, the amount of money necessary to balance the budget for voter-approved bonds and interest is \$ 0, and;

WHEREAS, the 20 23, valuation for assessment for the UACD as certified by the County Assessor(s) is \$ 624,105,600.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED/ORDAINED BY THE Board of Supervisors OF THE UACD, COLORADO:

Section 1. That for the purpose of meeting all **general operating** expenses of the UACD during the 2023 budget year, there is hereby levied a tax of 0 mills upon each dollar of the total valuation for assessment of all taxable property within the UACD for the year 2023.

Section 2. That for the purpose of rendering a refund to its constituents during budget year 2023, there is hereby levied a **temporary tax credit/mill levy reduction** of 0 mills.

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Section 3. That for the purpose of meeting all **capital expenditures** of the UACD
during the 2023 budget year, there is hereby levied a tax of 0 mills upon each dollar of
the total valuation for assessment of all taxable property within the UACD for the
year 2023.

Section 4. That for the purpose of meeting all payments for **bonds and interest** of the UACD
during the 2023 budget year, there is hereby levied a tax of 0 mills upon each dollar
of the total valuation for assessment of all taxable property within the County/City/Town/District for
the year 2023.

Section 5. That the Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to immediately
certify to the County Commissioners of Chaffee, Fremont County(s), Colorado, the
mill levies for the UACD as hereinabove determined and set, or be authorized
and directed to certify to the County Commissioners of Chaffee, Fremont County(s),
Colorado, the mill levies for the UACD as hereinabove determined and set,
but as recalculated as needed upon receipt of the final (December) certification of valuation from the
county(s) assessor(s) in order to comply with any applicable revenue and other budgetary limits.

ADOPTED this December 2023 day of A.D. 2023.

Attest:

[Signature] President
[Signature] Treasurer

(Officials' signatures and titles)

RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE SUMS OF MONEY

(Pursuant to Section 29-1-108, C.R.S.)

A RESOLUTION/AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO THE VARIOUS FUNDS AND SPENDING AGENCIES, IN THE AMOUNT AND FOR THE PURPOSE AS SET FORTH BELOW, FOR THE Upper Arkansas Conservation District, COLORADO, FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2023.

WHEREAS, the Upper Arkansas Conservation District has adopted the annual budget in accordance with the Local Government Budget Law, on, January 12, 2023 , and;

WHEREAS, Upper Arkansas Conservation District the has made provision therein for revenues in an amount equal to or greater than the total proposed expenditures as set forth in said budget, and;

WHEREAS, it is not only required by law, but also necessary to appropriate the revenues and reserves or fund balances provided in the budget to and for the purposes described below, thereby establishing a limitation on expenditures for the operations of the Upper Arkansas Conservation District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED/ORDAINED BY THE Board of Supervisors, OF THE Upper Arkansas Conservation District:

Section 1. That the following sums are hereby appropriated from the revenue of the general fund, for purposes stated:

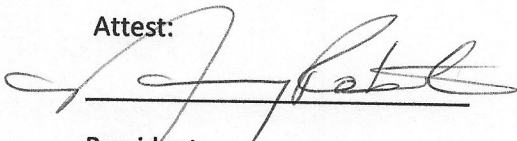
GENERAL FUND

<u>Estimated Expenditures (total expenses for Budget Year)</u>	<u>\$54,255.11</u>
<u>Additional Appropriation</u>	<u>\$ 22,805.00</u>
<u>Total funds Appropriated for budget year</u>	<u>\$ 111,798.28</u>

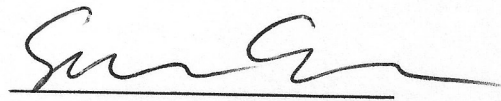
No additional Funds to General.

ADOPTED THIS 12 day of January , A.D.2023 .

Attest:



President



Treasurer

GENERAL FUND BUDGET
UPPER ARKANSAS CONSERVATION DISTRICT

JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31, 2023

DESCRIPTION	ACTUAL PRIOR YEAR 2021	ESTIMATED CURRENT YEAR 2022	BUDGET YEAR 2023
Beginning Balance January 1	\$ 5,584.79	\$ 33,323.53	\$ 88,993.28
REVENUE			
Advertisements sold			
Building Rent			
Charges for services			
Donations			
Equipment Rent			
Equipment Sales			
General Property Tax (Mil Levy)			
Interest Earned	\$ 5.53	\$ 27.75	\$ 5.00
Meeting Income			\$ 300.00
Membership Drive		\$ 25.00	
Sale of Supplies (Specify below)			
Trees			
PAM			
Grazing Workshop (Including Grants)		\$ 7,674.44	
Soils Reports			
Misc. Inc.			
Pinnacol Dividend		\$ 33.00	
Fairboard portion of Rancher Dinner		\$ 3,000.00	
Grants			
State (Specify Agency & Grants Name(s) below)			
Direct Assistance	\$ 6,770.78	\$ 6,743.41	\$ 6,500.00
Matching Grants (CSCB)			
Conservation District Technician (CDT)			
BSPP			
IWM & Tech Payroll assistance			
Admin			
Cost-Share			
Urban Water Study			
Other: IMPT Drought Stimulus Funding	\$ 15,000.00		
CWCB Water REstoration Fund (WRF)	\$ 12,500.00		
CWCB Water Plan Fund (WRP)			
Sunny Side Grants		\$ 139,570.00	
SB 22-195		\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Federal (Specify Agency & Grant Name)			
CIG:			
Other:			
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County			
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Other:			

Other Income (Specify below)			
Soil For Health (STAR)		\$ 80,276.55	\$ 14,000.00
No Till Drill (Star)		\$ 43,908.00	
CSCB Matching Grant		\$ 84,137.00	
AG Water Network Grant			
River Network Grant	\$ 10,000.00		
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 44,276.31	\$ 367,395.15	\$ 22,805.00
TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS	\$ 49,861.10	\$ 400,718.68	\$ 111,798.28
EXPENDITURES ON NEXT PAGE			
DESCRIPTION	ACTUAL PRIOR YEAR 2021	ESTIMATED CURRENT YEAR 2022	BUDGET YEAR 2023
EXPENDITURES			
CACD Dues Paid Out	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Soil Sangre de Cristo	\$ 250.00		\$ 250.00
Upper Arkansas Watershed Dues			
Insurance	\$ 1,293.00	\$ 1,003.00	\$ 1,500.00
Office Supplies	\$ 14.54		\$ 200.00
STAR Facilitation		\$ 41,076.64	\$ 14,000.00
Professional Services (CCC Staffing MOU)			\$ 15,000.00
Payroll Taxes			
Postage	\$ 18.95	\$ 18.85	\$ 80.00
Annual Banquet Expense	\$ 841.93	\$ 1,211.97	\$ 1,000.00
3 Youth Farming & Ranching Scholarships	\$ 150.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 450.00
Election Expense		\$ 22.19	\$ 100.00
District Brochure/Membership Drive			
Meetings		\$ 249.74	\$ 500.00
CACD Training		\$ 87.50	\$ 150.00
UAWA Meeting			
Soil/Water/Grazing Workshops (2)		\$ 8,560.55	\$ 300.00
Rancher Dinner @ 4-H Fair	\$ 841.93	\$ 4,211.96	\$ 1,000.00
Pasture Walk Sponsorship			\$ 300.00
Squarespace/Website	\$ 236.00	\$ 546.00	\$ 500.00
IWMP Facilitation	\$ 3,425.00		
AG Water Network Facilitation			
CSCB Matching Grant Facilitation			
Conservation District Technician (CDT)			
CWCB WRF Project Management, Reporting		\$ 21,150.00	
CWCB WRF Stakeholder Collaboration &		\$ 11,424.00	
CWCB WRF Preliminary Assessment of	\$ 8,572.00		
CWCB WRF Land Use Planning: Riparian and		\$ 36,835.00	
CWCB WPF Agricultural Outreach, Education	\$ 694.22		
CWCB WPF Agricultural Needs Assessment-		\$ 1,350.00	
CWCB WPF Data Analysis & Project			
CWCB WPF Feasibility Assessments &			
Sunny Side Grant		\$ 139,570.00	
No Till Drill Balance			\$ 18,725.11
No Till Drill Deposit (STAR)		\$ 43,908.00	

TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 16,537.57	\$ 311,725.40	\$ 54,255.11
Annual Net	\$ 27,738.74	\$ 55,669.75	\$ (31,450.11)
Ending Balance December 31 (Beginning Bal. + Annual Net)	\$ 33,323.53	\$ 88,993.28	\$ 57,543.17
Emergency Reserves - Do NOT Spend (3% of Annual Expenditures)	\$ 496.13	\$ 9,351.76	\$ 1,627.65
Unrestricted Reserves (Ending Balance - Emergency Res.)	\$ 32,827.40	\$ 79,641.52	\$ 55,915.52