

## City of Cañon City

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## First Quarter 2010 Stormwater Management Program News

## 2009 Stormwater Fiscal Overview

One of the most common questions we hear is "What is being done with the Stormwater Utility Fee?" This issue of the newsletter will provide a very brief fiscal overview of stormwater revenues and expenditures for 2008 and 2009 and the proposed budget for 2010. The information presented below was taken from the 2010 Budget for the City of Cañon City, which can be viewed at www.canoncity.org.

**Revenues -** Stormwater Utility Fees – This fee generates over 90% of the funds used for the operation and management of our Federal and State mandated stormwater management program. The program includes the six areas discussed in previous newsletters as well as repair and maintenance of our stormwater infrastructure and stormwater-related capital improvements. The Utility Fee is based upon the area of impervious surface (such as buildings, driveways, patios, sidewalks and other hard surfaces) which is present on each property. The current fee is \$0.001821 per square foot.

Other Fees – This revenue is derived from enforcement penalties, impact fees, runoff management fees and supplemental funding from grants.

**Expenditures -** Repair/Maintenance – The stormwater program is responsible for the City's stormwater management facilities and infrastructure such as detention basins, drainageways, inlets, pipes and outfalls. Funding is provided for both Public Works and contracted services to maintain these facilities.

Capital Outlay – Funds in this category are used for major new stormwater projects and rehabilitation or replacement of existing stormwater infrastructure.

Floodplain Management – Funds are provided for professional consulting services, studies and oversight for compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program.

GIS – The stormwater program relies on Geographic Information Systems (GIS) to meet several program objectives, therefore the program helps to support the GIS Authority.

Personnel – This category covers the costs normally associated with staff. Currently the program has two full-time Technicians.

Program Support – This category includes supplies, materials, services and training used in meeting our stormwater management program goals. It also includes reimbursement for technical and administrative support provided by other City departments.

**Capital Reserve -** Any and all funds remaining at the end of the year are transferred to a capital improvement fund for future improvements to the storm sewer system.

## SW Revenues & Expenditures \$51,175 179,700 □ Capital Reserve \$593,050 540,337 \$399,415 **™**Capital Improvements \$22225 14,143 <del>22222</del>\$14,800 \$331,274 ⟨□Operations & Maintenance **/////**\$79,507 \$780,300 \$763,100 Other Revenue \$718,431 **■**SW Fees Revenue 2008 (Actual) 2009 (Estimated) 2010 (Budgeted)

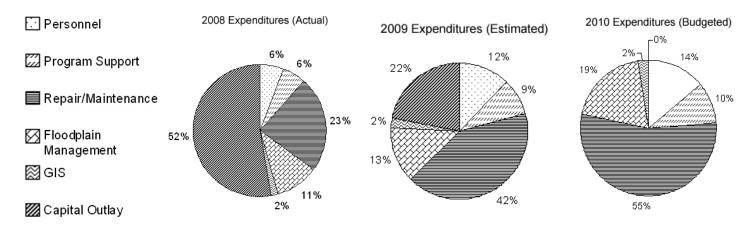
The adjacent chart gives an overview of revenues and expenditures for 2008, 2009 and 2010.

Revenues increase only slightly each year. This is mostly due to a decrease in new construction which means less collected in utility fees.

Cost of operations increases each year mainly due to an increase in infrastructure maintenance and repair.

The capital reserve was used in 2008 and 2009 on capital improvement projects. Since there is no reserve available in 2010 no capital improvement projects are budgeted for.

These charts compare the expenditure detail for 2008, 2009 and 2010.



Please feel free to direct any concerns or questions to Glenda DeBekker, City of Cañon City Stormwater Program at either <a href="mailto:grdebekker@canoncity.org">grdebekker@canoncity.org</a> or 276-5265. You may also write to The City of Cañon City's Stormwater Program, P.O. Box 1460, Cañon City, CO 81215-1460.