

MANCOS WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
JACKSON GULCH RESERVOIR
GUIDELINES FOR THE LEASING OF MANCOS PROJECT WATER
2019 Irrigation Season

LEASE TERMS:

- All leases are for one (1) irrigation season and all leased water must be used by the shutdown of reservoir releases (mid-September).
- MWCD transaction fee for each application is **\$75.00**. This is due when the application is submitted.
- Price per acre foot is **\$ 16.45**.
- All water leased will be in accordance with MWCD By-Laws and Mancos Project Water policies.
- Applications for less than 5 acre feet will not be accepted.
- Maximum amount of water is 25 acre feet.
- No water will be delivered to any land except that which is entitled thereto. A map and property description of property irrigation water will be used on/for is required.
- Land-water ratio: 3 acre feet of project water per 1 acre of classified irrigable land.
- Leased water will be supplemental to other water sources.
- Lessee must have a ditch right in order to receive leased water.
- Lessee must get ditch support for additional leased water.
- Exchange water will have to have the support of the Colorado Division of Water Resources and will be contingent on stream availability.
- An individual who voluntarily give up their allotted irrigation water forfeit their right to a lessee.
- All applications must be submitted to MWCD office by 4:00 p.m. on **JUNE 6th**.
- Each application will be given a number that would be used in the lottery, if required.
- Notice of lease award will be made by telephone the following week.
- Once the lease is awarded, the lessee has until 4:00 p.m. **JUNE 21st** to finalize and make payment of the lease.
- The application fee is nonrefundable if a lease is awarded and not finalized. A refund will be made to any applicant that was not awarded a lease.
- Leased water is paid for in full with no refunds regardless of whether or not the lessee uses the water.

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- The District reserves the right to withhold or stop deliveries to water users who waste excessive amounts of water.
- District Board maintains the right to terminate all contracts.
- No liability shall accrue against the District or any of its officers or employees for damage, direct or indirect, because of the failure to provide water as a result of system malfunctions or other causes.
- MWCD reserves the right to lease any remaining water at a later time.

PRO-RATION GUIDELINES:

- If more than 250 acre feet are applied for to be leased, then a pro-ration will be initiated.
- Any request of 5 acre feet will not be reduced or prorated since this is the minimum amount leased.
- If 40 applications are received, then each applicant will be leased the 5 AF minimum.
- If 7 to 40 applications are received and they exceed 250 AF, each applicant will be leased at the 5 AF minimum. Any remaining water will be leased through a lottery, not to exceed applicants requested amount.

POTENTIAL LOTTERY:

- If more than 40 applications are received then a lottery will be implemented for leases of 5 AF.
- Each application will be given a number when received and the first 40 numbers picked will be awarded a lease for 5 AF.
- Refunds for the MWCD transaction fee will be issued to applicants that were not awarded a lease.

RETURN APPLICATION TO:

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Mancos, Colorado 81328
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