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Mesa County Federal Mineral Lease District Awards \$348,781 in Grants for 2025

GRAND JUNCTION, CO – The Mesa County Federal Mineral Lease District (MCFMLD) has awarded five grants totaling \$348,781 for its 2025 grant cycle to entities in Mesa County.

The Town of De Beque was awarded a traditional grant of \$157,799 for engineering work on the De Beque River Park project.

Mini Grant Awards were distributed as follows:

- Gateway-UnawEEP Fire Protection District received \$45,982 for the Motorola XTS Replacement Project
- Town of Palisade Police Department received \$45,000 for the K9 Public Safety Program for Schools & Community
- Caprock Academy received \$50,000 for upgrades to its Safety and Security Program
- Chipeta Elementary School received \$50,000 for a park water fountain, shade, and locks

"The grant funding we receive from oil and gas leases are meant to support our community and address local impacts. The board is thrilled to fund these projects, which will enhance Mesa County for years to come," said Dusti Reimer, grant administrator for the district.

The funding for these grants comes from federal mineral lease payments distributed to the State of Colorado, Department of Local Affairs (DOLA), which then allocates funds to counties, municipalities, and federal mineral lease districts impacted by federal mineral leasing activity. Approximately 70% of the land in Mesa County is publicly owned and rich with various mineral deposits.

For more information on the MCFMLD, eligibility for grants, and grant cycles, please visit our website at www.mesafml.org. Follow us on Facebook and X for up-to-date information regarding meetings and grant project progress.

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Mesa County Federal Mineral Lease District (MCFMLD) was established in 2011. The MCFMLD serves a mission to enhance positive social and economic impact in Mesa County from the development, processing and energy conversion of fuels and minerals leased under the Federal "Mineral Lands Leasing Act" through strategic grants, partnerships, investments and leadership. **Since 2011, MCFMLD has awarded over \$11 million to local entities in Mesa County.** For more information, or to join in the conversation, please visit our website at www.mesaFML.org. Join us on social media, using hashtags #MesaFMLD or #MCFLMD, on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/MCFMLD or twitter at www.twitter.com/MesaFMLD.

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