

2010 ALTERNATIVES TO OPEN BURNING

for the Grand Junction Fire Department and the Grand Junction Rural Fire Protection District

In an effort to promote the health of our residents and maintain the quality of our environment, the Grand Junction Fire Department strongly recommends the following alternatives to open burning:

RESIDENTIAL COMPOSTING

The Colorado State University (CSU) Extension Office recommends that residents try composting as a beneficial option to burning. Composting involves the decomposition of organic materials (such as yard waste) and acts as a natural fertilizer to enrich existing soil. Contact the CSU Extension Office at 244-1834 for more information.

FREE COMPOSTING FACILITY

Mesa County welcomes public and commercial use of the Organic Materials Composting Facility as a site for discarding yard and garden waste free of charge. The facility is open Tuesday through Saturday, 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM. The site is located just north of the Mesa County Landfill at 3071 Highway 50, Grand Junction. Contact the composting facility at 263-9319.

LANDFILL FREE DAY - Saturday, April 24, 8:00 – 5:30

SCHEDULING A SPECIAL SOLID WASTE PICKUP

Local solid waste disposal companies support using their services as an alternative to burning. Contact your regular trash collection service for details.

CITY OF GRAND JUNCTION SPRING CLEAN-UP PROGRAM

The spring clean-up program for 2010 will be April 26th – May 1st for areas north of North Avenue and May 3rd – May 8th for areas south of North Avenue (including the Redlands and Orchard Mesa). For more information call 244-1554 or go to the web site for the Utilities Department:

<http://www.ci.grandjct.co.us/CityDeptWebPages/PublicWorksAndUtilities/StreetsTraffic/SpringCleanUp.htm>