

Next Generation Water Observing System

- The USGS Next Generation Water Observing System (NGWOS) is generating integrated data on streamflow, groundwater, evapotranspiration, snowpack, soil moisture, water quality, and water use.
- When fully implemented, the NGWOS will intensively monitor at least 10 medium-sized watersheds (10,000-20,000 square miles) and underlying aquifers that represent larger regions across the Nation.



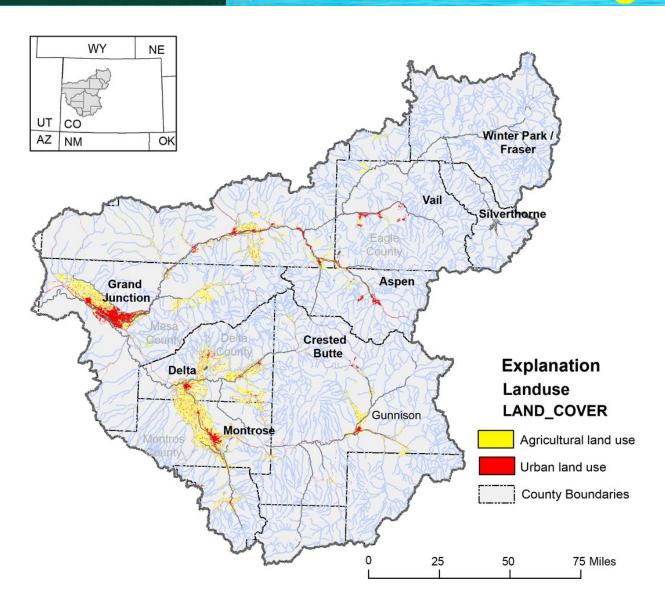
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Characteristics of a Next Generation Water Observing System...

- State-of-the-art measurements
- Dense array of sensors at selected sites
- Increased spatial and temporal coverage
- New technology testing and implementation
- Improved operational efficiency
- Modernized and timely data storage and delivery



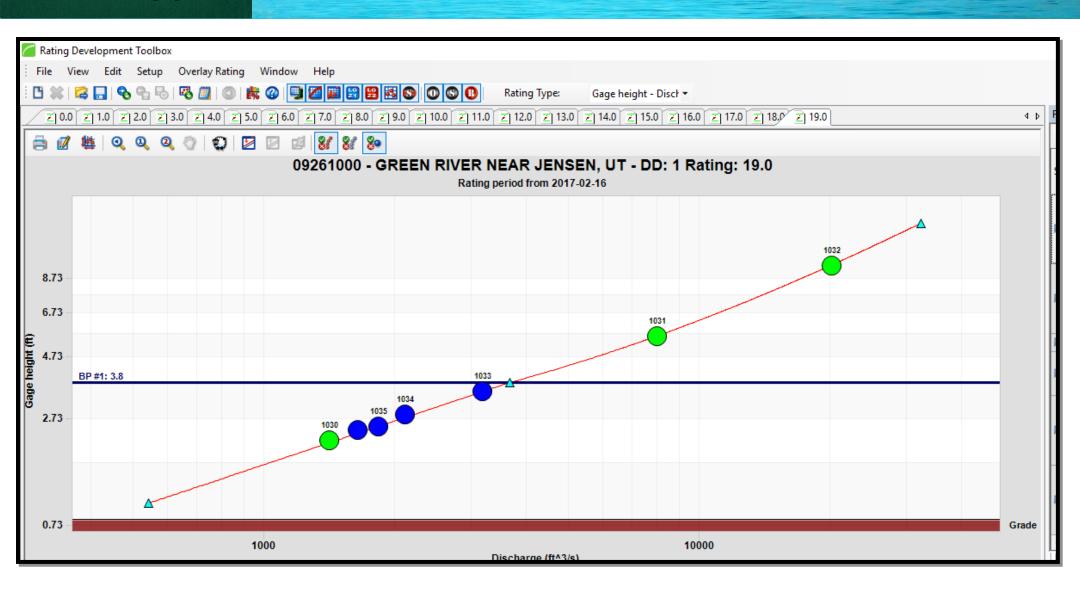
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Upper Colorado River Basin (includes headwaters of the Colorado and Gunnison River) selected as an NGWOS Basin



Stage-Discharge Rating





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