

Best Practices from Other Jurisdictions

Staff conducted research on how other jurisdictions handle the water adequacy review process. A summary of the information collected is below. It is worth noting that many municipalities have not been faced with the challenge of regulating a private water supply system. This is an innovative/novel idea and there is not much basis to find comparisons. Most municipalities have their own municipal service or obtain service through one or more special districts. It is more likely a situation that a county jurisdiction might experience. The leader in code creation on the topic is La Plata County, with additional work being done in El Paso County.

Jurisdiction	Water Provider	Mechanism	Timing
Fort Collins	Municipal Utility w/water plan and Special Districts with water plans	Will Serve Letters	Building Permit
Windsor	Special Districts w/ water plan	Code Requirements	Building Permit
Loveland	Municipal Utility w/water plan		Building Permit
Denver	Denver Water (Special District) w/water plan		
Lakewood	Municipal Utility w/water plan and Special Districts with water plans	Water Service Form	Building Permit
Littleton	Denver Water (Special District) w/water plan	Will Serve Letters	Up to Building Permit
Thornton	Municipal Utility w/water plan	Will Serve Letters	Up to Building Permit
Commerce City	Special District w/ water plan	Will Serve Letters	Building Permit
Westminster	Municipal utility w/water plan		
Colorado Springs			
Larimer County	Special Districts		
El Paso County			
La Plata County	Has requirements for New Entities	Code Requirements	
Greeley			
Timnath	Special Districts w/ water plan		
Boulder			
Arvada	Municipal Utility w/water plan and Special Districts with water plans		