

# How might a “water bank” work?

Water right holders curtail use.

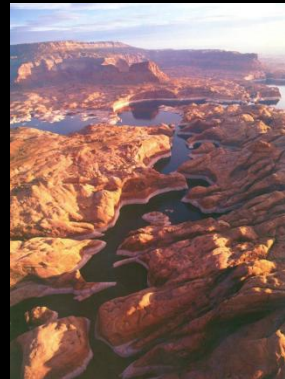


Municipal and other water right holders that need certainty

**Upper Basin**



Reservoir storage or held in “account” elsewhere

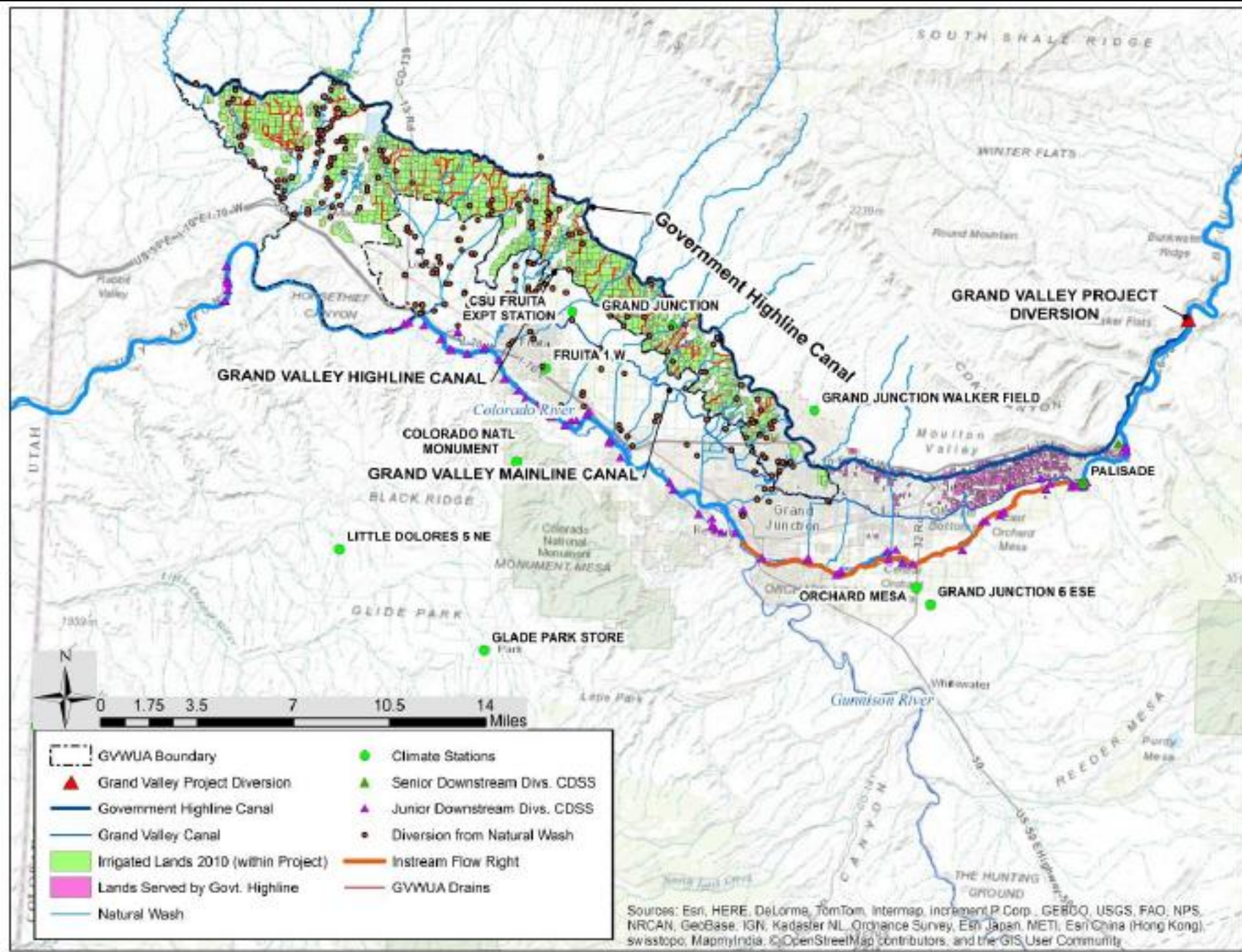


Maintain reservoir levels and releases to meet Compact obligations.

**Lower Basin**



Curtailment and crisis are averted.





# Grand Valley Pilot Project: Goals



- Reduce water use
- Involve a range of partners
- Scale-up
- Test the nuts and bolts
- Help finance infrastructure improvements for ongoing benefits
- Address community concerns



# Grand Valley Pilot Project: The Numbers

- 2017 Irrigation Season
- 1,250 acres participating
- 10 farmers
- 4 distinct program activities for reducing water use
- 3,200 AF of water savings
- \$1,000,000 for farmer payments, program administration, and infrastructure improvements

