Job Assignment #1- Where Does Your Water Come From?

Did you know the water that supplies your school and home originates as snowmelt in the Clear Creek Watershed?

Using a computer or tablet go online using Google Earth or Google Maps and search for Berthoud Pass, Colorado. You could also use a printed map. This is where some of our water is, in the form of snow. Google Earth has lots of pictures of snowcapped mountains near Berthod Pass to click on. Follow US 40 Highway down the mountain until you find the Clear Creek River running alongside the Highway. Our water travels down Clear Creek as the snow melts in the Spring and Summer months. It travels all the way to Standley Lake in rivers and ditches. That's a journey of over 60 miles! Can you follow the Rivers and canals all the way to Standley Lake? Or you can search for **Standley Lake**, **Westminster, CO** and you will see where the water is stored for use by the Cities of Northglenn, Thornton and Westminster.



- 1. Where does your drinking water originate?
- 2. How many miles does your water travel from Berthoud Pass to Standley Lake?
- 3. What is a reservoir?
- 4. In what reservoir is water stored in for use by the Cities of Northglenn, Thornton and Westminster?