



# **The South Platte Basin Roundtable**

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Colorado Water Conservation Board

December 12th, 2008

Mr. Eric Hecox  
Colorado Water Conservation Board  
1313 Sherman Street, Room 721  
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Eric:

The South Platte Basin Roundtable underwent an evaluation process of the Colorado Central South Platte Wetlands Partnership at our November 11, 2008, monthly meeting. The evaluation included a review of the project application and a presentation by Ducks Unlimited which contained a summary of the project, definition of project scope and budget, identification of project beneficiaries, and an overview of how this project provides for future water supply and environmental interests.

This project encompasses the very essence of HB-1177 and SB-179, which has met all of the objectives of SWSI, adopted by the roundtable, and works with other basins, including North Platte and Metro, to meet the water needs of the State. The project seeks \$150,000 to be used as match with several other state and federal funding sources as part of a much larger effort. The application is seeking funds from the Basin account.

Although our needs assessments are being developed, it is clear that the projects funded in this application deliver the essence of the spirit of HB-1177 and drives to the heart of our consumptive and non-consumptive needs.

At our meeting, a motion was made and passed unanimously to forward this application with the full support of the roundtable. A minority report, as required by our by-laws, is unnecessary due to the unanimous decision to pass the application to you for funding.

We hope that you are as excited to participate in this opportunity as we are and look forward to your decision.

Sincerely,

Bill Jerke, Chairman  
South Platte Basin Roundtable