

**SOUTHWEST BASINS ROUNDTABLE**

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Mr. Todd Doherty

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Colorado Water Conservation Board

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SUBJECT: Recommend Basin Funding of \$57,000 for Animas River Needs  
Assessment

Dear Mr. Doherty:

The Southwest Basins Roundtable is pleased to recommend funding of \$57,000 from the Basin fund of the Water Supply Reserve Account for the Animas River Needs Assessment.

The application was considered in detail at the July 8, 2009 meeting of the Southwest Basins Roundtable. There was a quorum of Roundtable members present. The Project, by identifying sources of pollution and methods of remediation to improve the assimilative capacity of the Animas River will meet the Basin's non-consumptive needs by contributing to long term water quality protection that supports extensive recreational and ecological values and also meets consumptive needs by protecting the source water for a number of reservoirs including the recently completed Animas La Plata Project.

The completed Grant Application will be forwarded directly to you by the applicant. Please contact the applicants directly or me at 970-565-7562, [mpreston@frontier.net](mailto:mpreston@frontier.net), if you have questions or wish to discuss these applications in more detail.

Sincerely yours,



Michael Preston

Southwest Basins Roundtable Chair

cc. Greg Johnson