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## Colorado Water Conservation Board

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TO: Colorado Water Conservation Board Members

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DATE: November 6, 2009

SUBJECT: **Agenda Item 28f, November 16-18, 2009 Board Meeting**  
**CWCB-Colorado Foundation for Water Education – Annual Appropriations**

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### Recommendation

CWCB staff recommends that the Board approve the inclusion of a \$150,000 Non-Reimbursable request in the 2010 Projects Bill.

### Background

HB 02-1152 established the Colorado Foundation for Water Education Foundation (CFWE). The legislation allowed the Board to initially provide \$250,000 to establish the Foundation and authorizes the Board to provide \$150,000 each year thereafter to support the Foundation.

The Board can stop providing funds after notice has been given notice to the CFWE that the purposes for which the Foundation was established have ceased, or when the Foundation becomes self-sufficient.

The Bylaws of the CFWE provide seats for the CWCB Director and another Board representative for two year terms. Currently those seats are being filled by Jennifer Gimbel and Travis Smith. The Department of Natural Resources Executive Director's Office also has a Board seat. And that seat is currently filled by Alex Davis.

This non-reimbursable expenditure would provide the next \$150,000 increment of funding for the Fiscal Year 2010-2011. A scope of work for the FY11 will be presented to the Board for approval at the May 2010 Board meeting.