Agenda Item 23

Colorado's Stream Gaging Programs

CWCB and DWR gaging programs focus on the following elements:

- Collaborate with the USGS to review gaging efforts, address potential problems, prevent the loss of critical gages, and discuss strategies to improve stream gage data collection and distribution while preventing redundancy.
- Maintain compliance with new satellite remote sensing technologies through the ongoing Satellite-Linked Monitoring System refurbishment and replacement program.
- Implement new stream gaging methodologies through research and advances in technology
- **Improve stream gage infrastructure** to ensure safe high flow measurement capability as well as harden existing gages against high flow events.
- Install and collaborate on new gages required for CWCB / DWR programs.
- Seek out other cooperators to help install and fund the ongoing O &M of state operated stream gages.
- Upgrade and maintain gaging equipment / software for data collection and analysis and the flow alert system.
- Provide ongoing staff training related to stream gaging technologies.

DWR Satellite
Linked
Monitoring
Program,
\$300,000

CWCB Stream
Gaging
Program
(Carryover from
original yearly
appropriations,)
\$333,000

Joint
DWR\CWCB
Flood
Hardening
Program,
\$50,000

CWCB Stream
Gaging
Program
(Continuous
Appropriation),
\$250,000