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June 12, 2009

In regards to: Watershed Planning

Chris Sturm
Watershed Protection and Flood Mitigation Section
Colorado Water Conservation Board
Department of Natural Resources
1313 Sherman St., Room 721
Denver, Co 80203

Dear Chris Sturm,

The Uncompandere Watershed Planning Partnership (UWPP) and Friends of the River Uncompandere (FORU) would like to express our gratitude for the CWCB support of watershed planning efforts in the Uncompandere River Watershed. Your assistance will allow us to continue our goal towards developing a locally-based watershed partnership of agencies, non-profits, municipalities and concerned citizens committed to developing consensus around a comprehensive watershed plan for the Uncompandere Watershed.

Per your request, the UWPP has prepared an invoice and narrative description of the tasks for which we are seeking financial assistance. In total, UWPP is requesting \$5,000 for travel, training, supplies, and research. Our partner, Friends of the River Uncompanded will serve as the fiscal agent for this project.

Thank you,

Sarah Sauter Watershed Coordinator Uncompanyare Watershed Planning Partnership Enclosures (2)



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Narrative: Uncompangre Watershed Planning

The Uncompandere Watershed Planning Partnership (UWPP) mission is to protect and restore water quality in the Uncompandere River through coordinated community & agency efforts. Our immediate goals include: 1) Improve water quality and riparian habitat within the Uncompandere River Basin by developing a collaborative watershed plan; 2) Develop consensus among a diverse range of stakeholders and create a process to address water quality and riparian habitat issues in the Uncompandere Watershed.

The CWCB funding will allow the UWPP to meet with stakeholders, research watershed issues like stormwater and water quantity, inventory watershed resources, and improve our education and outreach efforts. Specifically, CWCB support will be used for:

<u>Travel:</u> Mileage reimbursement for weekly meetings in Ridgway (160 miles round trip from Paonia to Ridgway). Weekly meetings allow the coordinator to meet with Andrew Madison - UWPP AmeriCorps OSM/VISTA* Volunteer, Ridgway-Ouray Community Council members, and Town of Ridgway staff to discuss watershed issues.

<u>Travel:</u> Mileage reimbursement for weekly meetings in Montrose (50 miles round trip from Ridgway to Montrose) will allow for Andrew Madison - UWPP AmeriCorps OSM/VISTA* Volunteer to collaborate with watershed partners like FORU, Shavano Conservation District, Tri-County Water to discuss watershed issues.

Stormwater Classes/ Lodging: On May 14, the UWPP and FORU hosted a stormwater forum. One outcome of the form was encouragement of partners to learn more about the implementation and maintenance of stormwater management plans (SWMPs). The 521 Drainage Authority will host professional stormwater trainings in Grand Junction on July 14 and 15, 2009. The trainings will allow the watershed coordinator to learn about legal requirements, types best management practices, and required components of SWMPs. Information from the class will be incorporated into the final watershed plan. The two day class will require lodging in Grand Junction for one night.



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<u>GPS Unit:</u> GPS unit from the GPS Store, Inc to document water monitoring stations, sources of watershed impairments, and other relevant information needed for the watershed plan.

<u>Website:</u> Domain name and 2 year hosting contract through Go-Daddy. The UWPP will use the domain name and hosting contract to develop a website that will help us improve our education and outreach program. The website will serve as a central clearing house for watershed information, a list of local events, meetings, partners and other relevant information. The UWPP website, still undeveloped, is: www.uncompahgrewatershed.org

<u>Mapping:</u> Watershed coordinator will track down GIS layers needed to build a watershed inventory. Maps will be used in the watershed plan to identify significant resources, sources of impairments and critical management areas.

<u>Review Water Quantity:</u> Watershed coordinator will review water quantity to include in the final watershed plan. The water quantity section, modeled after the 1996 Eagle River Watershed Plan, will seek out the following information:

- Stream flow characteristics
- Existing water storage facilities
- Instream flow characteristics
- Water Rights
- Water Usage
- Water Deficits

<u>Printing:</u> Business cards from Scotts Printing. Business cards will facilitate increased communication between the watershed coordinator and new stakeholders/partners.

<u>Fiscal Agent Fee:</u> In return for their services as fiscal agent, the UWPP will provide a 10% fiscal agency fee to FORU.



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Description	Vendor	Unit	Price	TOTAL
Travel: 5 trips Paonia to/from Ridgway	S. Sauter	800 miles	\$0.50/mi	\$400.00
Travel: 10 trips Ridgway to/from Montrose	A. Madison	400 miles	\$0.50/mi	\$200.00
Stormwater Management Training	521 Drainage Authority	2	75	\$150.00
Lodging for Stormwater Training	Hampton Inn	1	\$117.57	\$117.57
GPS Unit (GPS, Software, Case)	The GPS Store, Inc	1	\$277.8	\$277.34
Website	Go-Daddy	1	\$125.14	\$125.14
Printing	Scotts Printing	1	\$139.95	\$139.95
Review Water Quantity Information	S. Sauter	80	\$30/hr	\$2,400.00
Gather and create GIS maps	S. Sauter	23	\$30/hr	\$690.00
Fiscal Agency Fee	FORU	1	\$500	\$500.00

TOTAL: \$5,000

Please contact Sarah Sauter with any questions about this invoice, 303-408-1312, sarah@coloradowater.org