## **COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD**

## **Department of Natural Resources**

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# Colorado Drought & Water Supply Assessment Assessment Implementation Fact Sheet

The Colorado Drought & Water Supply Assessment is the first statewide project to determine how prepared Colorado has been for drought and identify measures that will better prepare us for the next drought.

The Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) will engage members from all Colorado water user groups defined for this project including: agricultural, municipalities, industries, federal and state, recreational, power, counties and tribes.

#### **Assessment Focus:**

The Assessment will gather information by conducting a telephone survey to develop an understanding of critical water issues within each major river basin for each water user group, while keeping individual responses anonymous. Results of the Assessment will be developed using statistical analyses to identify and analyze trends in water user opinions, concerns, and needs.

The responses collected through implementation of the Assessment will be used to:

- Assess the current water situation regarding water use and storage, limitations to water supply, drought planning and impacts, and concerns in future water supply planning;
- Identify water needs, including both structural and nonstructural projects, funding and planning assistance; and
- Develop recommendations for planning models, funding and technical assistance, and project implementation for each river basin.



### **Scheduling of the Assessment:**

The Assessment will be conducted during the first quarter of 2003. We will forward letters and postcard reminders to the participants. As a participant, you may call us at 1-800-800-0905 at anytime to have the surveyors call you when it is convenient. Alternatively, you can wait for a call from our survey team. Please set aside about one hour for the survey to be conducted.

We greatly appreciate your help and cooperation in this important project at this critical time.

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