## STATE OF COLORADO

## **Colorado Water Conservation Board**

## **Department of Natural Resources**

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TO: Erin Light, Division Engineer

Division of Water Resources, Division 6

FROM: Jeff Baessler, Stream and Lake Protection Section

Colorado Water Conservation Board

RE: Request for Administration of the Instream Flow Reach on Elk River

between the confluence with Rock Creek and the confluence with the

Yampa River

DATE: September 15, 2010

On behalf of the Colorado Water Conservation Board, I hereby request the water officials of the State of Colorado to administer in the priority system the Board's instream flow water rights on the following segments of Elk River, District 57-58, to preserve the natural environment to a reasonable degree.

Case No.	<b>Upper Terminus</b>	<b>Lower Terminus</b>	Amount	Appropriation Date
6-77W1331	confl Rock Creek in	confl Yampa River in	65 cfs	9/23/1977
	S23, T9N, R85W, 6PM	S18, T6N, R85W, 6PM		

The Elk River near Milner (ELKMILCO) gage is in the reach and has been used to determine flow conditions are below the minimum for the reach's decreed water right. The Board is hereby placing a written call for said instream flow water rights to ensure that the full decreed amount of this water right is made available for the decreed beneficial use of preserving the natural environment to a reasonable degree. The effective date of this call is September 15, 2010 and the call is to be in effect until further notification from the CWCB.

Signed:

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