

Arkansas Basin Roundtable
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Mr. Todd Doherty Interstate Water Management Development Section Colorado Water Conservation Board 1580 Logan Street, Suite 600 Denver, Colorado 80203

## Re: Water Supply Reserve Account Grant Application for the Helena Diversion Structure/BV Boat Chute Improvement Project

Dear Todd:

Under separate cover you will receive a WSRA grant application for the Helena Diversion Structure/BV Boat Chute Improvement Project. At the January 12, 2011, Arkansas Basin Roundtable meeting, the Roundtable agreed by consensus to approve this application for \$35,000 in basin funds and forwards it for consideration by the Colorado Water Conservation Board. There were no dissenting opinions.

The Roundtable was particularly enthusiastic about this application since it represents a transition from studying the water challenges (we funding a study in 2007) to implementation of actual projects. This project offers increased boater safety in a major arena of non-consumptive use of water, the Upper Reach of the Arkansas River, along with an improved headgate diversion structure for agricultural, consumptive use of water.

My hope is that this grant request can be heard at the March, 2011 CWCB meeting. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Gary Barber Chair

c: Executive Committee, Ark Roundtable AHRA