THE COLORADO BASIN ROUNDTABLE C/O P.O. BOX 1120

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, COLORADO 81602

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Todd Doherty COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD 1580 Logan Street, Suite 600 Denver, CO 80203

Dear Todd:

The Colorado Basin Roundtable has conducted an e-mail ballot on a funding request for Basin Funds of the Water Supply Reserve Account.

The applicant is the Mesa Conservation District of Grand Junction and the project is the "Small Acreage Irrigation Audit Program – Grand Valley." The request is for \$18,273.

The money, pending CWCB approval, will help fund a program that, in short, will teach rookie irrigators how best to use water. The target group for this program is small acreage landowners who are inexperienced irrigators that in many cases over apply water.

The vote was 19-2. The only dissenter to voice a reason for a "no" vote held a philosophical objection to one hand of government feeding another and thought that the program would only work if all irrigation water providers in the valley implemented audits and there "was not much chance of that happening." I have the email ballots on file.

Sincerely yours,

Jim Pokrandt

Chair, Colorado Basin Roundtable

Attachments:

Mesa Conservation District grant application

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