

The Gunnison Basin Roundtable

February 11, 2011

Mr. Todd Doherty
Intrastate Water Management and Development Section
COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD
1580 Logan Street, Suite 600
Denver, CO 80203

Re: Grant Request from the Water Supply Reserve Account
Colorado State University: Colorado Water Institute; Colorado State University Extension; Colorado
Climate Center
Agricultural Weather Data Delivery Improvements to Uncompahgre Valley Irrigators

Dear Mr. Doherty:

This letter is presented to advise you that the grant application submitted by the Colorado State University for \$35,000 from State Account funds and \$77,000 from Basin Account funds from the Water Supply Reserve Account for Agricultural Weather Data Delivery Improvements to Uncompahgre Valley Irrigators was reviewed by the Gunnison Basin Roundtable and its Project Screening Committee, recommended for approval by that committee, and approved by a majority vote of the Gunnison Basin Roundtable during our meeting on January 3, 2011. Attached for your information is the required minority report.

This water activity meets the provisions of Section 37-75-104(2), Colorado Revised Statutes. The requirements/language from the statute is provided in Part 3 of the Criteria and Guidelines.

This activity furthers the basin-wide non-consumptive water needs assessment for the Gunnison Basin Roundtable in that one of the deliverables for the project is calculated estimates of seasonal consumptive use and resulting irrigation efficiencies for participating producers. This will not only provide the basin with new data on agricultural consumptive use but provide local producers who are enrolled in EQIP with the ability to quickly generate the annual report of water use that is required by the USDA of contract holders.

Sincerely,

Michelle Pierce
Chair

Cc: Tom Alvey (e-mail)