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TO: Colorado Water Conservation Board Members

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SUBJECT: **Consent Agenda Item 1, March 19-20, 2013 Board Meeting**
Finance – Recommended Prequalified Projects

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The CWCB Staff compiles a list of prequalified projects for the Water Project Loan Program. In order to be included on this list, potential borrowers must submit a Loan Application and two years of financial statements to the CWCB staff. In addition, Borrowers requesting to be placed on the Prequalified Project List have a defined project, have performed preliminary engineering, and have a reasonable estimate of the project costs.

Projects on this list fit the initial criteria of the Water Project Loan Program; however, the list does not constitute loan approval. In order to receive a loan from the CWCB, borrowers must submit a completed Loan Feasibility Study for review by CWCB staff. Staff will then prepare a recommendation to the Board for approval at a future CWCB meeting. Projects will remain on this list for one year from the date of the application or until Board approval of a loan.

Application received by March 1, 2013 for this Board meeting was:

1. Lone Cabin Ditch and Reservoir Company – Lone Cabin Dam Repair Project

Please refer to the preliminary Project Data Sheets for additional project information.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Board approve the project, as listed on page 2, to be placed on the Prequalified Project List.

Prequalified Project List

BORROWER	PROJECT NAME	APPLICATION DATE	BASIN	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	PROJECT COST	LOAN AMOUNT
New Applications						
Lone Cabin Ditch and Reservoir Company	Lone Cabin Dam Repair Project	March 1, 2013	Gunnison	Lone Cabin Reservoir is currently under a storage restriction by the SEO due to slumping issues on the dam. The Company intends to repair the dam to restore its full storage capacity and is looking for WSRA grant funding in addition to the loan.	\$364,000	\$327,000
Total					\$364,000	\$327,000

Water Project Loan Program Prequalified Project Data Sheet

Borrower:	Lone Cabin Ditch and Reservoir Company	County:	Delta
Project Name:	Lone Cabin Dam Repair Project	Project Type:	Dam Rehabilitation
Drainage Basin:	Gunnison / District 40	Water Source:	Sams Creek
Total Project Cost:	\$364,000	Funding Source:	TBD
Type of Borrower:	Agricultural	Avg. Annual Diversion:	950 AF
CWCB Loan:	\$327,000	Interest Rate:	TBD
		Term:	TBD

The Lone Cabin Reservoir provides irrigation water storage for 18 farms located on Lamborn Mesa approximately 5 miles southeast of Paonia, CO. The reservoir has a storage capacity of 163 acre-feet; however it is currently restricted by the State Engineer's Office to a storage level 20-feet below the dam crest due to slumping of the downstream face of the dam. The Company hired Buckhorn Geotech to investigate the slump. Engineers are in the process of finalizing the design to address the dam safety concerns. The Company is also applying for Water Supply Reserve Account Basin Account grant funds from the Gunnison Basin Roundtable.

