The Gunnison Basin Roundtable 501 Palmer Street Delta, CO 81416

January 9, 2013

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 Lake Fork Valley Conservancy Henson Creek and Lake Fork Confluence Channel Improvement Project

Dear Mr. Doherty:

This letter is presented to advise you that the grant application submitted by the Lake Fork Valley Conservancy for \$28,975 from Basin Account funds and \$260,111 from Statewide Account funds from the Water Supply Reserve Account for the Henson Creek and Lake Fork Confluence Channel Improvement Project was reviewed by the Gunnison Basin Roundtable and its Project Screening Committee and was approved by a majority vote of the Gunnison Basin Roundtable during our meeting on January 7, 2013.

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 consumptive needs for the Gunnison Basin in that it rehabilitates existing infrastructure (i.e. Lake City Town Ditch). This activity also furthers non-consumptive needs for the Gunnison Basin in that Henson Creek and the Lake Fork River have been identified as major recreational and environmental segments due to their recreation and fishery attributes. This project will help to improve river channel stability and riparian habitat; and will enhance the natural environment along these segments.

Sincerely,

Michelle Pierce

Chair

cc: Tom Alvey (e-mail)