Summary

Applicant seeks to change a direct flow irrigation water right to many new uses, including augmentation and exchange via direct flow and storage for augmentation of new structures in a regional plan for augmentation for use throughout the Huerfano County Water Conservancy District, as it may be amended from time to time. Applicant is also seeking alternate points of diversion to wells.

CWCB Appropriations

The CWCB holds the following instream flow water rights that could be injured by this application:

CWCB Case No.	Stream/Lake	Amount (cfs)	Approp. Date	Watershed	County
2-10CW89 and others	Huerfano River and various tributaries to the Huerfano River	Varies	12/31/2010, 9/23/1977 and 3/14/1979	Huerfano	Huerfano
2-76CW4436	South Apache Creek	1.0	1/14/1976	Huerfano	Huerfano
2-10CW82 and others	Cucharas Creek and various tributaries to the Cucharas Creek	Varies	12/31/2010, 3/14/1979 and 1/25/2011	Huerfano	Huerfano

Potential for Injury

- 1. The proposed change of water rights could cause an expansion of use and a change in the amount, location and timing of historical return flows, which could injure the CWCB's instream flow water rights.
- 2. The proposed plan for augmentation may not replace depletions in the amount, timing or location at which they occur, which could injure the CWCB's instream flow water rights.
- 3. The proposed plan for alternate diversion to wells may injure the CWCB's instream flow water rights if the timing of depletions does not match the timing of the surface diversions.
- 4. The application does not present sufficient information to fully evaluate the extent to which the Board's instream flow rights may be injured.

Other Objectors

Other objectors include the Amity Mutual Irrigation Company, Barbara Andreatta, Carolyn Wardell, Charles F. Rowland, District 67 Irrigation Canals Association, Donald Andreatta, the Fort Lyon Canal Company, Growing Roots, LLC, Lucy Reed Hibberd, the State Engineer and Division 2 Engineer, and Stephen Wardell.

