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AGENDA ITEM: 20 (a-i)

Staff Recommendation - Action Items

A summary of staff's recommendation for each WSRA application is provided in the attached table. If applicable, the table also includes a breakdown of match amounts for applications that include a request for statewide WSRA funds.

Favorable recommendations may be contingent on providing the CWCB with additional information, clarifications, or modifications in the scope of work. Please refer to the Water Activity Summary Sheets contained within this agenda item to find a summary of staff's review and any conditions associated with each recommendation.

Background:

For this agenda item the Board is provided with a brief overview of applications to the Water Supply Reserve Account (WSRA). Attachments to this memo include:

- Summary spreadsheet detailing funding requests for the basin and statewide accounts;
- Summary spreadsheet displaying current WSRA Balance Summary of Fund Appropriations and Receipts by Fiscal Year, and Fund Distribution by Basin and Statewide Account.
- Water Activity Summary Sheets which provide an overview, discussion, issues/additional needs, and staff recommendation regarding funding, partial funding, or not funding the applications.

Staff's review of the applications involves the following steps:

- 1) Applications are reviewed for completeness based on the information requirements, which are primarily outlined in Part 2 of the Criteria and Guidelines (C&G).
- 2) Applications are reviewed to verify that the water activity meets the eligibility requirements in Section 39-29-108 (III) C.R.S. (C&G, Part 2) and the threshold criteria, which are based on the requirements of Section 39-29-108 (III) C.R.S., and two



sections of the Water for the 21st Century Act (House Bill 1177); Section 37-75-102 and Section 37-75-104(2)(c) (C&G, Part 3). Staff also verifies that the applicant was an eligible entity to receive funding (C&G, Part 2).

- 3) Staff then prepares the Water Activity Summary Sheet which documents the outcome of the review process and contains staff's recommendations.

Water Supply Reserve Account Balance Summary and Project Status Report:

To provide the Board updates on the status of specific Water Supply Reserve Account grant applications and projects, staff provides a status report in the CWCB Director's Report. The WSRA status report includes the following information:

- List of completed WSRA projects;
- List of WSRA projects in progress; and
- List of WSRA projects in the contracting and procurement process.



Water Supply Reserve Account Applications for Consideration at the CWCB July 2014 Board Meeting												
Agenda Item	Basin	Applicant	Name of Water Activity	Basin(s) Account Request	Statewide Account Request	Total Request	Cash Match	In-Kind Match	Total Match	Staff Recommendation	Notes	PM
20a	Metro		Basin Implementation Plan/Nonconsumptive Needs	\$79,703	\$79,702	\$239,108	n/a	n/a	n/a	Staff recommends conditional approval of \$79,703 from the South Platte Basin Account, \$79,703 from the Metro Account, \$79,702 from the Statewide Account		CNG
	South Platte			\$79,703								
20b	Metro	South Metro Water Supply Authority	Basin Implementation Plan/Consumptive Needs	\$170,297	\$170,298	\$510,892	n/a	n/a	n/a	Staff recommends conditional approval of \$170,297 from the South Platte Basin Account, \$170,297 from the Metro Account, \$170,298 from the Statewide Account		CNG
	South Platte			\$170,297								
20c	Colorado	Colorado River Water Conservation District	Basin Implementation Plan	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	n/a	n/a	n/a	Staff recommends approval of \$100,000 from the Colorado Basin Account		BN
20d	Gunnison	Coal Creek Watershed Coalition	McCormick Ditch Reconstruction	\$21,346	\$0	\$21,346	\$25,345	\$17,150	\$42,495	Staff recommends conditional approval of \$21,346 from the Gunnison Basin Account.		CNG
20e	Gunnison	Trout Unlimited	Upper Ohio Creek Flow Restoration	\$6,000	\$0	\$6,000	\$105,000	\$9,000	\$114,000	Staff recommends approval of \$6,000 from the Gunnison Basin Account		CNG
20f	Southwest	La Plata Water Conservancy District	Long Hollow Reservoir Compact Water Delivery Study	\$38,000	\$0	\$38,000	\$4,950	\$10,000	\$14,950	Staff recommends approval of \$38,000 from the Southwest Basin Account		CNG
20g	Yampa/White/Green	Rio Blanco Water Conservation Dist.	White River Storage Study - Phase 2	\$97,750	\$97,750	\$195,500	\$34,500	\$0	\$34,500	Staff recommends approval of \$97,750 from the YWG Account, \$97,750 from the Statewide Account		BN
20h	Yampa/White/Green	Colorado Water Trust	White River-Highland Ditch Diversion & Headgate Redesign	\$30,000	\$0	\$30,000	\$62,470	\$0	\$62,470	Staff recommends approval of \$30,000 from the YWG Account		CNG
20i	Arkansas	Pikes Peak Regional Water Authority	Basin Implementation Plan	\$19,000	\$0	\$19,000	n/a	n/a	n/a	Staff recommends approval of \$19,000 from the Arkansas Basin Account		BN
				\$812,096	\$347,750	\$1,159,846						

	<u>Basin Account</u>	<u>Statewide Account</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Current Basin Account Balances</u>	<u>Remaining Basin Account Balances (if all requests approved)</u>	<u>Current Statewide Account Balance</u>	<u>Remaining Statewide Account Balance (if all requests approved)</u>
<u>Arkansas Basin Total Requests</u>	\$19,000	\$0	\$19,000	\$401,566	\$382,566		
<u>Colorado Basin Total Requests</u>	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	\$484,348	\$384,348		
<u>Gunnson Basin Total Requests</u>	\$27,346	\$0	\$27,346	\$436,267	\$408,921		
<u>Metro Basin Total Requests</u>	\$250,000	\$125,000	\$375,000	\$364,556	\$114,556		
<u>North Platte Basin Total Requests</u>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,107,468	\$1,107,468	\$1,196,184	\$848,434
<u>Rio Grande Basin Total Requests</u>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$157,748	\$157,748		
<u>Southwest Basin Total Requests</u>	\$38,000	\$0	\$38,000	\$634,859	\$596,859		
<u>South Platte Basin Total Requests</u>	\$250,000	\$125,000	\$375,000	\$486,362	\$236,362		
<u>YWG Basin Total Requests</u>	\$127,750	\$97,750	\$225,500	\$838,045	\$710,295		
<u>Water Supply Reserve Account Total Requests</u>	\$812,096	\$347,750	\$1,159,846	\$4,911,220	\$4,099,124		

COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD
Water Supply Reserve Account - Balance Summary
June 1, 2014

Updated 06/27/14

Fund Appropriation and Receipts				
Fiscal Year	Legislative Appropriation	Funds Received	Statewide Account	Basin Account
2006/2007	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$5,500,000	\$4,500,000
2007/2008	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	\$4,200,000	\$1,800,000
2008/2009	\$10,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$4,300,000	\$2,700,000
2009/2010	\$5,775,000	\$5,775,000	\$4,215,750	\$1,559,250
2010/2011	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	\$4,380,000	\$1,620,000
2011/2012	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$4,732,000	\$2,268,000
2012/2013	\$10,000,000	\$7,157,724	\$4,580,943	\$2,576,781
2013/2014	\$10,000,000	\$10,091,639	\$6,458,649	\$3,632,990
Interest	N/A	\$2,781,515	\$1,780,170	\$1,001,345
TOTAL	\$44,775,000	\$61,805,878	\$40,147,512	\$21,658,366

Note: The WSRA is a Severance Tax "Tier II" program with 40% of funds distributed on July 1, 30% on January 1, and the final 30% on April 1.

In FY 2008/2009 the final 30% installment of \$3,000,000 was not received due to the State's budgetary shortfall.

In January 2012 interest for the program from its inception to date was credited directly to the Statewide Account.

Interest from January 2012 on is regularly calculated by the Treasury and credited to the Statewide Account.

Fund Distribution					
Basin	Approved Basin Grants	Total Basin Funds	Basin Account Balance	Approved State Grants	Statewide Account Balance
Arkansas	\$2,004,919	\$2,406,485	\$401,566	\$6,176,865	
Colorado	\$1,922,137	\$2,406,485	\$484,348	\$3,976,760	
Southwest	\$1,771,626	\$2,406,485	\$634,859	\$5,160,359	
Gunnison	\$1,970,218	\$2,406,485	\$436,267	\$3,578,833	
Metro	\$2,041,929	\$2,406,485	\$364,556	\$4,086,768	
North Platte	\$1,299,017	\$2,406,485	\$1,107,468	\$311,027	
Rio Grande	\$2,248,737	\$2,406,485	\$157,748	\$9,891,323	
South Platte	\$1,920,123	\$2,406,485	\$486,362	\$5,255,080	
Yampa/White	\$1,568,440	\$2,406,485	\$838,045	\$514,313	
TOTAL	\$16,747,146	\$21,658,366	\$4,911,220	\$38,951,328	\$1,196,184
TOTAL APPROVED GRANTS					\$55,698,474

Note: Only includes grants approved by CWCB