The Gunnison Basin Roundtable 501 Palmer Street Delta, CO 81416

May 12, 2014

Mr. Craig Godbout
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

High Country Conservation Advocates & Coal Creek Watershed Coalition

McCormick Ditch Reconstruction Project

Dear Mr. Godbout:

This letter is presented to advise you that the amended grant application submitted by High Country Advocates & Coal Creek Watershed Coalition for \$21,346 from Basin Account funds from the Water Supply Reserve Account for the McCormick Ditch Reconstruction Project was reviewed by the Gunnison Basin Roundtable and its Project Screening Committee, and was approved by a unanimous vote of the Gunnison Basin Roundtable during our meeting on May 5, 2014.

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 basin-wide consumptive needs for the Gunnison Basin by improving efficiency for its agricultural and municipal users and eliminating the need for yearly maintenance. The project will also benefit nonconsumptive uses by lessening the impact of the diversion on the natural flows of Coal Creek and rehabilitating the creek for habitat and as a recreational amenity within the Town of Crested Butte.

Sincerely,

Michelle Pierce

Chair

cc: Tom Alvey (e-mail)