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AGENDA ITEM: 8A: Basin Implementation Plan Presentations

8B: Basin Roundtable Path Forward Discussion

Staff recommendation: This is an informational item only. No Board action is required.

Background:

8a: Basin Roundtable Plan Presentations:

In late April, basin roundtables officially submitted their final Basin Implementation Plans (BIPs) to the CWCB. These plans represent the culmination of almost a decade of hard work and collaboration at unprecedented levels statewide. The Board heard presentations on the draft BIPs last July in Rangely, and today representatives of the roundtables will present an update on BIP progress since submission of the drafts.

The updated BIPs clarify goals and measurable outcomes, respond to public and stakeholder comments, and focus on projects and methods within the BIPs. CWCB staff is working to incorporate additions and clarifications into the next draft of Colorado's Water Plan to reflect the hard work and accomplishments of the basin roundtables.

8b: Basin Roundtable Path Forward:

CWCB staff is working on developing a draft roadmap for the IBCC and basin roundtable processes. As part of this work, IBCC and roundtable input is being sought. Staff will discuss the initial draft approach and seek input from the Board.

