



COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD

WATER SUPPLY RESERVE ACCOUNT APPLICATION FORM



Today's Date: *January 21, 2015*

Town of Mountain Village 2015 Waterline Extension Project

Name of Water Activity/Project

Town of Mountain Village

Name of Applicant

Southwest Basin Roundtable

Amount from Statewide Account:

Amount from Basin Account(s):

\$30,000

Total WSRA Funds Requested:

\$30,000

Approving Basin Roundtable(s)

(If multiple basins specify amounts in parentheses.)

FEIN: *84-1299345*

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Required Exhibits

- A. Statement of Work, Budget, and Schedule
- B. Project Map
- C. As Needed (i.e. letters of support, photos, maps, etc.)

Appendices – Reference Material

- 1. Program Information
- 2. Insurance Requirements
- 3. WSRA Standard Contract Information (Required for Projects Over \$100,000)
- 4. W-9 Form (Required for All Projects Prior to Contracting)

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Instructions

To receive funding from the Water Supply Reserve Account (WSRA), a proposed water activity must be approved by the local Basin Roundtable **AND** the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCBC). The process for Basin Roundtable consideration and approval is outlined in materials in Appendix 1.

Once approved by the local Basin Roundtable, the applicant should submit this application **with a detailed statement of work including budget and schedule as Exhibit A** to CWCBC staff by the application deadline.

WSRA applications are due with the roundtable letter of support 60 calendar days prior to the bi-monthly Board meeting at which it will be considered. Board meetings are held in January, March, May, July, September, and November. Meeting details, including scheduled dates, agendas, etc. are posted on the CWCBC website at: <http://cwcb.state.co.us> Applications to the WSRA Basin Account are considered at every board meeting, while applications to the WSRA Statewide Account are only considered at the March and September board meetings.

When completing this application, the applicant should refer to the WSRA Criteria and Guidelines available at: <http://cwcb.state.co.us/LoansGrants/water-supply-reserve-account-grants/Documents/WSRACriteriaGuidelines.pdf>. In addition, the applicant should also refer to the [Supplemental Scoring Matrix](#) applied to Evaluation Criteria Tiers 1-3 for Statewide Account requests.

The application, statement of work, budget, and schedule **must be submitted in electronic format** (Microsoft Word or text-enabled PDF are preferred) and can be emailed or mailed on a disk to:

Craig Godbout - WSRA Application
Colorado Water Conservation Board
1313 Sherman St., Room 721
Denver, CO 80203
Craig.godbout@state.co.us

If you have questions or need additional assistance, please contact Craig Godbout at: 303-866-3441 x3210 or craig.godbout@state.co.us.

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Part I. - Description of the Applicant (Project Sponsor or Owner);

1.	Applicant Name(s):	<i>Town of Mountain Village</i>		
	Mailing address:	<i>455 Mountain Village Boulevard, Suite A Mountain Village, CO 81435</i>		
	FEIN #:	<i>84-1299345</i>		
	Primary Contact:	<i>Finn Kjome</i>	Position/Title:	<i>Public Works Director</i>
	Email:	<i>fkjome@mtnvillage.org</i>		
	Phone Numbers:	Cell: <i>(970) 729-3441</i>	Office:	<i>(970) 369-8206</i>
	Alternate Contact:	<i>Robert Haining</i>	Position/Title:	<i>Water Technician</i>
	Email:	<i>rhaining@mtnvillage.org</i>		
	Phone Numbers:	Cell: <i>(970) 729-3419</i>	Office:	<i>(970) 369-8213</i>

2. Eligible entities for WSRA funds include the following. What type of entity is the Applicant?

- ☒ Public (Government) – municipalities, enterprises, counties, and State of Colorado agencies. Federal agencies are encouraged to work with local entities and the local entity should be the grant recipient. Federal agencies are eligible, but only if they can make a compelling case for why a local partner cannot be the grant recipient.
- ☐ Public (Districts) – authorities, Title 32/special districts, (conservancy, conservation, and irrigation districts), and water activity enterprises.
- ☐ Private Incorporated – mutual ditch companies, homeowners associations, corporations.
- ☐ Private individuals, partnerships, and sole proprietors are eligible for funding from the Basin Accounts but not for funding from the Statewide Account.
- ☐ Non-governmental organizations – broadly defined as any organization that is not part of the government.

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3. Provide a brief description of your organization

The Town of Mountain Village is a home rule municipality located approximately seven miles southwest of Telluride in San Miguel County, Colorado. The Town encompasses an area of approximately 3.3 square miles and, according to the 2010 census, has a population of 1,320 persons.

4. If the Contracting Entity is different then the Applicant (Project Sponsor or Owner) please describe the Contracting Entity here.

The Town of Mountain Village will be the Contracting Entity.

5. Successful applicants will have to execute a contract with the CWCB prior to beginning work on the portion of the project funded by the WSRA grant. In order to expedite the contracting process the CWCB has established a standard contract with provisions the applicant must adhere to. A link to this standard contract is included in Appendix 3. Please review this contract and check the appropriate box.

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The Applicant will be able to contract with the CWCB using the Standard Contract

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The Applicant has reviewed the standard contract and has some questions/issues/concerns. Please be aware that any deviation from the standard contract could result in a significant delay between grant approval and the funds being available.

6. The Tax Payer Bill of Rights (TABOR) may limit the amount of grant money an entity can receive. Please describe any relevant TABOR issues that may affect the applicant.

The Town of Mountain Village is not restricted by any provisions under the Tax Payer Bill of Rights.

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Part II. - Description of the Water Activity/Project

1. What is the primary purpose of this grant application? (Please check only one)

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Nonconsumptive (Environmental or Recreational)

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Agricultural

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Municipal/Industrial

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Needs Assessment

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Education

☐

Other

Explain:

2. If you feel this project addresses multiple purposes please explain.

The purpose of the project is to increase reliability and redundancy of the Town's existing water supply system to meet emergency water demand needs in the western portion of the Town. The project will also take advantage of pressure differentials by installing up to two micro-hydroelectric generators, pending results of a micro-hydroelectric generation feasibility assessment.

3. Is this project primarily a study or implementation of a water activity/project? (Please check only one)

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Study

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Implementation

4. To catalog measurable results achieved with WSRA funds can you provide any of the following numbers?

New Storage Created (acre-feet)

New Annual Water Supplies Developed, Consumptive or Nonconsumptive (acre-feet)

Existing Storage Preserved or Enhanced (acre-feet)

Length of Stream Restored or Protected (linear feet)

13,815

Length of Pipe/Canal Built or Improved (linear feet)

Efficiency Savings (acre-feet/year OR dollars/year – **circle one**)

Area of Restored or Preserved Habitat (acres)

Other -- Explain:

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4. To help us map WSRA projects please include a map (Exhibit B) and provide the general coordinates below:

Latitude:

37°56'5"N

Longitude:

107°51'55"W

5. Please provide an overview/summary of the proposed water activity (no more than one page). Include a description of the overall water activity and specifically what the WSRA funding will be used for. A full **Statement of Work** with a detailed budget and schedule is required as **Exhibit A** of this application.

The Town of Mountain Village provides potable water to an area of approximately 3.3 square miles and a population of 1,320 people. The Town's existing water supply is sufficient to meet potable water demands. However, recent water modeling has demonstrated that fire flows in the western portion of the Town are marginal in fighting a large structural fire, particularly one encompassing more than one home or a wildfire. The overall objective of the 2015 Waterline Extension Project (project) is to increase reliability and redundancy of the Town's water system, particularly to meet emergency water demand needs in the western portion of the Town.

The project will connect two existing water storage tanks via a proposed 13,815-foot long, 10-inch diameter waterline. The higher tank, the Wapiti Tank, is located at a base elevation of 10,810 feet. It is supplied by a wells drilled in the San Miguel River alluvium and is considered to be the Town's most reliable water supply, with a storage volume of 2.2 million gallons. Currently, water from the Wapiti Tank must travel through the length of the entire water system to supply water to the western portion of the Town. The lower tank, the San Joaquin Tank, is located at a base elevation of 10,525 feet and is fed by mountain wells. It provides water to the system through the western half of the Town. The proposed 10-inch diameter waterline extension will feed the San Joaquin Tank directly from the Wapiti Tank, allowing the Wapiti Tank to provide water directly, and more reliably, to the western half of the Town, resulting in a steady, longer term flow in an emergency situation.

As part of the project, the Town will install up to two micro-hydroelectric generators, pending an updated feasibility study. The Town had a Hydroelectric Generation Feasibility Assessment prepared in December of 2010. The assessment recommended installation of a Pelton turbine at the San Joaquin Tank and installation of a PAT (pump as turbine) generator at the location of an existing pressure reducing valve vault located downstream of the San Joaquin Tank. Estimates from the original assessment indicate that the Pelton turbine generator and the PAT generator would be capable of producing 35 kilowatts (kW) and 20 kW of electrical energy, respectively. The Town is updating the original feasibility assessment with a \$15,000 grant received from the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority (CWRPDA). The updated assessment will include revised energy production estimates and expected project costs. The Town has begun negotiations with the San Miguel Power Authority to obtain a power purchase agreement for the expected energy production.

Based on conceptual phase cost estimates, the total project construction cost, including the micro-hydroelectric portion of the project, is approximately \$2.4 million. The Town is requesting a \$30,000 grant from the Southwest Basin Roundtable. The Town will match the remainder of the estimated project construction cost.

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Part III. – Threshold and Evaluation Criteria

1. Describe how the water activity meets these **Threshold Criteria**. (Detailed in Part 3 of the Water Supply Reserve Account Criteria and Guidelines.)

- a) The water activity is consistent with Section 37-75-102 Colorado Revised Statutes.¹

The Town of Mountain Village 2015 Waterline Extension Project utilizes existing Town groundwater rights that are part of a decreed Plan for Augmentation. Since these rights will operate independently from and will not be affected by activities associated with the waterline project, the waterline extension project is fully compliant with Section 37-75-102 of the Colorado Revised Statutes.

- b) The water activity underwent an evaluation and approval process and was approved by the Basin Roundtable (BRT) and the application includes a description of the results of the BRT's evaluation and approval of the activity. At a minimum, the description must include the level of agreement reached by the roundtable, including any minority opinion(s) if there was not general agreement for the activity. The description must also include reasons why general agreement was not reached (if it was not), including who opposed the activity and why they opposed it. Note- If this information is included in the letter from the roundtable chair simply reference that letter.

The Town of Mountain Village will present the proposed project at the Southwest Basin Roundtable meeting to be held on April 8, 2015.

- c) The water activity meets the provisions of Section 37-75-104(2), Colorado Revised Statutes.² The Basin

¹ 37-75-102. Water rights - protections. (1) It is the policy of the General Assembly that the current system of allocating water within Colorado shall not be superseded, abrogated, or otherwise impaired by this article. Nothing in this article shall be interpreted to repeal or in any manner amend the existing water rights adjudication system. The General Assembly affirms the state constitution's recognition of water rights as a private usufructuary property right, and this article is not intended to restrict the ability of the holder of a water right to use or to dispose of that water right in any manner permitted under Colorado law. (2) The General Assembly affirms the protections for contractual and property rights recognized by the contract and takings protections under the state constitution and related statutes. This article shall not be implemented in any way that would diminish, impair, or cause injury to any property or contractual right created by intergovernmental agreements, contracts, stipulations among parties to water cases, terms and conditions in water decrees, or any other similar document related to the allocation or use of water. This article shall not be construed to supersede, abrogate, or cause injury to vested water rights or decreed conditional water rights. The General Assembly affirms that this article does not impair, limit, or otherwise affect the rights of persons or entities to enter into agreements, contracts, or memoranda of understanding with other persons or entities relating to the appropriation, movement, or use of water under other provisions of law.

² 37-75-104 (2)(c). Using data and information from the Statewide Water Supply Initiative and other appropriate sources and in cooperation with the on-going Statewide Water Supply Initiative, develop a basin-wide consumptive and nonconsumptive water supply needs assessment, conduct an analysis of available unappropriated waters within the basin, and propose projects or methods, both structural and nonstructural, for meeting those needs and utilizing those unappropriated waters where appropriate. Basin Roundtables shall actively seek the input and advice of affected local governments, water providers, and other interested stakeholders and persons in establishing its needs assessment, and shall propose projects or methods for meeting those needs. Recommendations from this assessment shall be forwarded to the Interbasin Compact Committee and other basin roundtables for analysis and consideration after the General Assembly has approved the Interbasin Compact Charter.

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Roundtable Chairs shall include in their approval letters for particular WSRA grant applications a description of how the water activity will assist in meeting the water supply needs identified in the basin roundtable's consumptive and/or non-consumptive needs assessments.

The San Miguel River is an under-appropriated basin during portions or all of the year. The Town of Mountain Village has applied to the water court to appropriate additional supply to meet its full build-out water demands, thereby closing the gap in its municipal supply. The 2015 Waterline Extension Project will be used to distribute this supply and may also include non-consumptive use of the water for power generation prior to distribution to water users within the Town. Hence, this project meets the provisions of Section 37-75-104(2) of the Colorado Revised Statutes.

- d) Matching Requirement: For requests from the Statewide Fund, the applicants will be required to demonstrate a **25 percent** (or greater) match of the total grant request from the other sources, including but not limited to Basin Funds. A minimum match of 5% of the total grant amount shall be from Basin funds. A minimum match of 5% of the total grant amount must come from the applicant or 3rd party sources. Sources of matching funds include but are not limited to Basin Funds, in-kind services, funding from other sources, and/or direct cash match. Past expenditures directly related to the project may be considered as matching funds if the expenditures occurred within 9 months of the date the contract or purchase order between the applicant and the State of Colorado is executed. Please describe the source(s) of matching funds. (NOTE: These matching funds should also be reflected in your Detailed Budget in **Exhibit A** of this application)

The Town of Mountain Village is not seeking Statewide Funds for the 2015 Waterline Extension Project.

2. For Applications that include a request for funds from the **Statewide Account**, describe how the water activity/project meets all applicable **Evaluation Criteria**. (Detailed in Part 3 of the Water Supply Reserve Account Criteria and Guidelines and repeated below.) Projects will be assessed on how well they meet the Evaluation Criteria. **Please attach additional pages as necessary.**

Evaluation Criteria – the following criteria will be utilized to further evaluate the merits of the water activity proposed for funding from the Statewide Account. In evaluation of proposed water activities, preference will be given to projects that meet one or more criteria from each of the three “tiers” or categories. Each “tier” is grouped in level of importance. For instance, projects that meet Tier 1 criteria will outweigh projects that only meet Tier 3 criteria. The applicant should also refer to the Supplemental Scoring Matrix applied to Evaluation Criteria Tiers 1-3 for Statewide Account requests. WSRA grant requests for projects that may qualify for loans through the CWCB loan program will receive preference in the Statewide Evaluation Criteria if the grant request is part of a CWCB loan/WSRA grant package. For these CWCB loan/WSRA grant packages, the applicant must have a CWCB loan/WSRA grant ratio of 1:1 or higher. Preference will be given to those with a higher loan/grant ratio.

Tier 1: Promoting Collaboration/Cooperation and Meeting Water Management Goals and Identified Water Needs

- a. The water activity addresses multiple needs or issues, including consumptive and/or non-consumptive needs, or the needs and issues of multiple interests or multiple basins. This can be demonstrated by obtaining letters of support from other basin roundtables (in addition to an approval letter from the sponsoring basin).

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- b. The number and types of entities represented in the application and the degree to which the activity will promote cooperation and collaboration among traditional consumptive water interests and/or non-consumptive interests, and if applicable, the degree to which the water activity is effective in addressing intrabasin or interbasin needs or issues.
- c. The water activity helps implement projects and processes identified as helping meet Colorado's future water needs, and/or addresses the gap areas between available water supply and future need as identified in SWSI or a roundtable's basin-wide water needs assessment.

Tier 2: Facilitating Water Activity Implementation

- d. Funding from this Account will reduce the uncertainty that the water activity will be implemented. For this criterion the applicant should discuss how receiving funding from the Account will make a significant difference in the implementation of the water activity (i.e., how will receiving funding enable the water activity to move forward or the inability obtaining funding elsewhere).
- e. The amount of matching funds provided by the applicant via direct contributions, demonstrable in-kind contributions, and/or other sources demonstrates a significant & appropriate commitment to the project.

Tier 3: The Water Activity Addresses Other Issues of Statewide Value and Maximizes Benefits

- f. The water activity helps sustain agriculture & open space, or meets environmental or recreational needs.
- g. The water activity assists in the administration of compact-entitled waters or addresses problems related to compact entitled waters and compact compliance and the degree to which the activity promotes maximum utilization of state waters.
- h. The water activity assists in the recovery of threatened and endangered wildlife species or Colorado State species of concern.
- i. The water activity provides a high level of benefit to Colorado in relationship to the amount of funds requested.
- j. The water activity is complimentary to or assists in the implementation of other CWCB programs.

Continued: Explanation of how the water activity/project meets all applicable **Evaluation Criteria**.

Please attach additional pages as necessary.

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Part IV. – Required Supporting Materials

1. **Water Rights, Availability, and Sustainability** – This information is needed to assess the viability of the water project or activity. Please provide a description of the water supply source to be utilized, or the water body to be affected by, the water activity. This should include a description of applicable water rights, and water rights issues, and the name/location of water bodies affected by the water activity.

The Town of Mountain Village 2015 Waterline Extension Project will utilize existing groundwater rights owned jointly by the Town and the ski area. These water rights were included in a decreed Plan for Augmentation (Case No. 90CW110), which allows the wells to operate during periods of call on the San Miguel River. A supplemental Plan for Augmentation filed by the Town and ski area and is pending in Case No. 2010CW206, will ensure an adequate legal water supply for the Town under full build-out conditions. The decreed water supply sources for the proposed waterline consist of two wells drilled into the San Miguel River alluvium (Telco Wells 9 and 10) and several on-mountain wells (Telco Wells 6, 26, and 30) that produce from fractured San Juan Formation tributary to Prospect Creek, which is tributary to the San Miguel River. The Town's Plans for Augmentation are designed to replace out-of priority depletions and avoid injury to vested senior water rights within the San Miguel River Basin including instream flow rights held by the CWCB.

2. Please provide a brief narrative of any related studies or permitting issues.

There are no related studies or permitting issues.

3. Statement of Work, Detailed Budget, and Project Schedule

The statement of work will form the basis for the contract between the Applicant and the State of Colorado. In short, the Applicant is agreeing to undertake the work for the compensation outlined in the statement of work and budget, and in return, the State of Colorado is receiving the deliverables/products specified. **Please note that costs incurred prior to execution of a contract or purchase order are not subject to reimbursement.** All WSRA funds are disbursed on a reimbursement basis after review invoices and appropriate backup material.

Please provide a detailed statement of work using the template in Exhibit A. Additional sections or modifications may be included as necessary. Please define all acronyms and include page numbers.

Please see Exhibit A, attached, for a detailed Statement of Work.

REPORTING AND FINAL DELIVERABLE

Reporting: The applicant shall provide the CWCB a progress report every 6 months, beginning from the date of the executed contract. The progress report shall describe the completion or partial completion of the tasks identified in the statement of work including a description of any major issues that have occurred and any corrective action taken to address these issues.

Final Deliverable: At completion of the project, the applicant shall provide the CWCB a final report that summarizes the project and documents how the project was completed. This report may contain photographs, summaries of meetings and engineering reports/designs.

PAYMENT

Payment will be made based on actual expenditures and invoicing by the applicant. Invoices from any other entity (i.e. subcontractors) cannot be processed by the State. The request for payment must include a description of the work accomplished by major task, and estimate of the percent completion for individual tasks and the entire water activity in relation to the percentage of budget spent, identification of any major issues and proposed or implemented corrective actions. The last 10 percent of the entire water activity budget will be withheld until final project/water activity documentation is completed. All products, data and information developed as a result of this grant must be provided to the CWCB in hard copy and electronic format as part of the project documentation. This information will in turn be made widely available to Basin Roundtables and the general public and help promote the development of a common technical platform.

The above statements are true to the best of my knowledge:

Signature of Applicant: *Finn Kjome*

Print Applicant's Name: *Finn Kjome*

Project Title: Town of Mountain Village 2015 Waterline Extension Project

Date: *3/26/15*

Return an electronic version (hardcopy may also be submitted) of this application to:

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