Water Supply Reserve Account – Grant and Loan Program Water Activity Summary Sheet Request for Change of Fiscal Agent March 18-19, 2015 Agenda Item 17(p)

Current Applicant & Fiscal Agent: Riverside Ranch Company, LLLP

Proposed Fiscal Agent: Riverside Ranch Irrigation Diversion & River Restoration Project

Water Activity Purpose: Agricultural/Implementation

County: Grand

Drainage Basin: Colorado

Water Source: Colorado River

Total Amount Requested: \$113,000

Source of Funds: \$113,000 Colorado Basin Account

Matching Funds: Applicant Match (\$70,000) = 38.2% of total project costs (\$183,000)

(refer to *Funding Summary/Matching Funds*)

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of change of fiscal agent from Riverside Ranch, LLLP to Trout Unlimited.

Water Activity Summary: WSRA funds will be expended to assist in the engineering design and permitting of two self-sustaining, engineered riffle grade control structures as well as significant bank stabilization over a one mile reach of the Colorado River. The riffle grade control structures will provide improved hydraulic conditions at the two existing pump stations where Riverside Ranch diverts irrigation water. Additionally, these engineered riffles will provide valuable habitat for benthic invertebrates, a necessary food source for trout. This project includes the engineering design of bank stabilization activities for areas of significant bank erosion and is part of a larger irrigation and river restoration project currently being developed by URS on behalf of Irrigators of Lands in the Vicinity of Kremmling (ILVK) which will cover approximately 10 miles of the Colorado River. More specifically, WSRA funds will be expended to perform Tasks 5-9 as indicated in the Statement of Work, Budget and Schedule.