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## Colorado Water Conservation Board

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Pursuant to ISF Rule 5c. of the Rules Concerning the Colorado Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Program, this notice identifies the streams to be considered for instream flow (ISF) appropriations in 2016. At the January 2016 meeting of the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB), staff may request that the Board form its intent to appropriate instream flow water rights for the streams listed on the attached Instream Flow Appropriation List. The attached list contains a description of the Instream Flow Recommendations including: water division, stream name, watershed, county, upper terminus, lower terminus, length, and USGS quad sheet name(s).

Copies of the Instream Flow Recommendations and Appendices of data submitted into the Official CWCB Record are available for review by the public during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) at the Colorado Water Conservation Board's Office, located at 1313 Sherman Street, Room 718, Denver, Colorado, 80203. In addition to the CWCB office, copies of the Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Recommendations are available online at:

<http://cwcb.state.co.us/environment/instream-flow-program/Pages/2016ProposedISFRecommendations.aspx>

In addition to the above Instream Flow Recommendations and Appendices, staff may rely on any additional data, exhibits, testimony, or other information submitted by any party as part of the Official CWCB Record to support its Instream Flow Recommendations.

It should also be noted that, pursuant to the [ISF Rules](#):

5d. (3)

(a) The Board may change flow amounts of contested ISF appropriations based on information received during the public notice and comment period.

(b) Staff will maintain, pursuant to Rule 5e.(3), an ISF Subscription Mailing List for each water division composed of the names of all persons who have sent notice to the Board Office that they wish to be included on such list for a particular water division. Any person desiring to be on the ISF Subscription Mailing List(s) must send notice to the Board Office.

(c) Any meetings held between Staff and members of the public will be open to the public. Staff may provide Proper Notice prior to any such meetings and may provide notice to persons on the ISF Subscription Mailing List(s).

(d) Any Notice to Contest must be received at the Board office no later than March 31, 2016, or the first business day thereafter. All Notices of Party status and Contested Hearing Participant status must be received at the Board office no later than April 30, 2016 or the first business day thereafter.

(e) Staff will announce its Final Staff ISF Recommendation concerning contested appropriations at the September 2016 Board meeting and will send notice of the Final Staff Recommendation to all persons on the Contested Hearing Mailing List.

(f) The Board may take final action on any uncontested ISF appropriations at the May 2016 Board meeting.

Should you wish to comment on the proposed Instream Flow Recommendations, you may do so by writing Jeff Baessler of the Board's staff at the address given above or by sending your comments by email to [jeffrey.baessler@state.co.us](mailto:jeffrey.baessler@state.co.us), or [rob.viehl@state.co.us](mailto:rob.viehl@state.co.us). It should be noted that while your appearance at any meeting is welcome, such an appearance is not necessary for your concerns to be recognized. Staff will take your comments into account and, if you so request, will present them to the Board in your absence. If you are not currently on the Board's Instream Flow Subscription Mailing List and you would like to be, please contact the Board's Office at the address given above.

### Instream Flow Recommendations

Div	Stream	Watershed	County	Length (miles)	Upper Terminus	Lower Terminus	Quad Sheet(s)
1	Boxelder Creek	Cache la Poudre	Larimer	5.98	confl. South & North Boxelder Creeks	Martin Calloway Ditch hdgt.	Livermore, Table Mountain
1	Sand Creek	Cache la Poudre	Larimer	10.25	Colorado-Wyoming border	confl. Boxelder Creek	Table Mountain
1	Balm of Gilead Creek	South Platte headwaters	Park	4.49	Headwaters	BLM property boundary	Spinney Mtn., Thirtynine Mile Mtn.
1	Pruden Creek	South Platte headwaters	Park	1.50	U.S. Forest Service Property Boundary	Pond diversion located at: UTM North 4305830.17, UTM East 451894.15	Spinney Mtn., Thirtynine Mile Mtn.
1	Unnamed Tributary to Crooked Creek	South Platte headwaters	Park	4.43	Headwaters	confl. Crooked Creek	Como
1	Lone Tree Creek	Lone Tree - Owl	Weld	2.17	confl. Spotwood Creek	Meadow Springs Ranch Property Boundary	Carr West
2	East Fork Turkey Creek	Upper Arkansas	El Paso, Teller	3.43	Headwaters	confl. East Fork & West Fork Turkey Creeks	Mount Big Chief
2	Turkey Creek	Upper Arkansas	El Paso	4.41	confl. East Fork & West Fork Turkey Creeks	State Highway 115	Mount Big Chief, Mount Pittsburg
2	West Fork Turkey Creek	Upper Arkansas	El Paso, Fremont, Teller	3.98	Headwaters	confl. East Fork & West Fork Turkey Creeks	Mount Big Chief
4	Fourth of July Creek	Upper Gunnison	Hinsdale, Gunnison	6.00	Headwaters	Carris Thompson Ditch Hdgt.	Alpine Plateau, Powderhorn Lakes
4	Little Cimarron River (Increase)	Upper Gunnison	Gunnison	7.64	confl. Firebox Creek	confl. Van Boxel Creek	Lost Lake, Sheep Mtn.
5	Morgan Gulch	Colorado headwaters	Grand	2.82	Headwaters	confl. Williams Fork River	Sylvan Reservoir
5	East Hawxhurst Creek	Colorado Headwaters-Plateau	Mesa	5.75	Outlet of Hawxhurst Reservoir	confl. West Hawxhurst Creek	Hawxhurst Creek

5	West Hawxhurst Creek	Colorado Headwaters-Plateau	Mesa	5.57	Headwaters	confl. East Hawxhurst Creek	Hawxhurst Creek
6	Piceance Creek	Piceance-Yellow	Rio Blanco	9.96	confl. Dry Fork Piceance Creek	confl. White River	Barcus Creek SE, White River City
6	Yellow Creek	Piceance-Yellow	Rio Blanco	3.66	confl. Barcus Creek	confl. Lambert Springs	Barcus Creek, Barcus SE, Rough Gulch
6	Yellow Creek	Piceance-Yellow	Rio Blanco	3.45	confl. Lambert Springs	confl. White River	Rough Gulch
6	Willow Creek (Increase)	Upper Yampa	Routt	4.65	outlet of Steamboat Lake	confl. Beaver Creek	Hahns Peak
6	Willow Creek (Increase)	Upper Yampa	Routt	1.32	confl. Beaver Creek	confl. Lester Creek	Hahns Peak