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Feb. 10, 2016

Craig Godbout Colorado Water Conservation Board Water Supply Planning Section 1313 Sherman Street (303) 866-3441, ext 3210 (office) (970) 218-9407 (cell) craig.godbout@state.co.us

Dear Craig:

The Colorado Basin Roundtable voted unanimously on Jan. 25, 2016 to support the WSRA Basin grant for \$8,000 that will go toward the Colorado River District's application to conduct a Colorado River Development and Curtailment Risk Study. The other three West Slope Roundtable have each voted to add \$8,000 each. That makes a pool of \$32,000 to match \$10,000 contributions each by the Colorado River District and the Southwestern Water Conservation District (\$52,000 total budget).

This grant request finds its genesis in the December 2014 Four West Slope Basin Roundtable meeting at Ute Water in Grand Junction. There was a clear call to develop technical information to assist the four West Slope Basin Roundtables in their talks and negotiations regarding the West Slope's ability (and others' for that matter) to develop future water supplies.

This project advances priorities in our BIP as an understanding of river flows are central to ag sustainability, m&I development and environmental concerns.

Jim Bland

Jim Pokrandt Chair, Colorado Basin Roundtable

The Gunnison Basin Roundtable 501 Palmer Street Delta, CO 81416

February 9, 2016

Mr. Craig Godbout Water Supply Management Section COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD 1313 Sherman St., Room 718 Denver, CO 80203

Re: WSRA Grant Request: Colorado River District - Colorado River Development and Curtailment Study

Dear Mr. Godbout:

This letter is presented to advise you that the grant application submitted by the CRWCD for \$8,000 from Basin Account funds from the Water Supply Reserve Account for the Colorado River Development and Curtailment Study 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 February 1, 2016.

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 study will address the need for technical data so that the Four West Slope Roundtables – and all of Colorado - can better discuss issues surrounding future Colorado River development and the risk to current water users. The technical data gathered as a result of this study will be important to educating stakeholders on development and curtailment negotiations.

Sincerely,

Frank J. Kugel Vice Chair

cc: Hugh Sanburg (e-mail) Tom Alvey (e-mail)