## Arkansas Basin Roundtable

January 29, 2016

## Via Electronic Mail: craig.godbout@state.co.us

Mr. Craig Godbout Colorado Water Conservation Board 1313 Sherman Street, Room 721 Denver, CO 80203

Re: Water Supply Reserve Account Grant/Loan Application: Upper Arkansas Multi-Use Projects Phase I – Lake Ranch Multi-Use Pilot Project Feasibility Study

## Dear Craig:

At its January 13, 2016 meeting, the Arkansas Roundtable approved the Upper Arkansas Multi-Use Projects Phase I – Lake Ranch Multi-Use Pilot Project Feasibility Study for \$31,196.50 in Basin Funds, \$162,944.00 in Statewide Funds, with \$30,569.00 cash matching funds and \$5,000 In-Kind from the applicant, the Upper Arkansas Water Conservancy District. There were no dissenting opinions expressed in the consensus decision.

This project is intended to provide a model for multi-purpose projects in the Arkansas Basin. The initiative of the Pilot Feasibility Study seeks to integrate principles of Alternative Transfer Methods, Conservation & Efficiency, Aquifer Storage and Recovery along with an hydro-electric component. The success and experience gained from this pilot will position the Upper Arkansas District to effectively complete a significant Multi-Use Project in the future that may provide as much as 25-30,000 AF of water storage. It furthers the goals and objectives of the Arkansas Basin Implementation Plan and multiple objectives of the Colorado Water Plan, including Objective A. Supply-Demand Gaps, Objective D. Agriculture: "Maintain Agricultural Viability" and "Support Agricultural Conservation and Efficiency" and Objective E. Storage: "Promote Additional Storage and Infrastructure" (Section 10.3). Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me either by telephone, 719-742-6164, or by email, <a href="maintainto:sandy@white-jankowski.com">sandy@white-jankowski.com</a>.

With warm regards

Michael D. (Sandy) White

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