## Water Supply Reserve Account – Grant and Loan Program Water Activity Summary Sheet March 16-17, 2016 Agenda Item 14(u)

Applicant & Fiscal Agent:	San Juan Resource Conservation & Development Council		
Water Activity Name:	Phase 3 of the Southwest Basin Roundtable's Implementation Plan: Implementation and Outreach		
Water Activity Purpose:	Education		
County:	Multiple w/in Southwest Basin		
Drainage Basin:	Southwest		
Water Source:	Multiple w/in Southwest Basin		
Amount Requested/Source of Funds:	\$87,562Southwest Basin Account\$43,781Statewide Account\$131,343Total grant request		
Matching Funds:	This request is a BIP related activity and is a Southwest Basin Roundtable initiated effort, therefore applicant and 3 <sup>rd</sup> party matching funds are not applicable, required, or provided; furthermore the Basin:Statewide Account ratio of 2:1 is consistent with the ratios established for BIP preparation. (refer to <i>Funding Summary/Matching Funds</i> section)		

### **Staff Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval of up to \$87,562 from the Southwest Basin Account, and \$43,781 from the Statewide Account to help fund the project titled: Phase 3 of the Southwest Basin Roundtable's Implementation Plan: Implementation and Outreach.

Water Activity Summary: WSRA funds, if approved, will be expended to provide funding to: Conduct outreach efforts advancing the implementation of the Colorado's Water Plan and Basin Implementation Plan at sub-basin and statewide levels; and to provide technical and process support for implementation of the Colorado's Water Plan and Basin Implementation and related IPPs pertaining to priority projects as identified by the Southwest Basin Roundtable. More specifically the purpose of this effort is to: conduct workshops and present at local meetings that have an interest in water. The educational workshops will focus on providing the general publics with information on key topics that the roundtable agrees are pertinent to implementation of the CWP and BIP. Outreach will include BIP goals, strategies, and measurable outcomes, CWP action items, resources available through the Roundtable, and specific information on key implementation topics such as water conservation, agricultural efficiency, alternative transfer methods, municipal infrastructure, among other activities. The outreach will be conducted throughout the 9 sub-basins and will range from large formal meetings to meetings with individuals and groups regarding their specific interests/needs. The BIP's measurable outcomes outline a series of educational workshops that will focus on specific topics at each workshop; and to provide technical and process support to the Roundtable in implementing the BIP. Dependent upon direction given by the Roundtable, this task will included implementing a project and/or process in each of the follow categories: 1) multi-basin projects; 2) multi-benefit projects; 3) projects that refine methods for defining and/or quantifying environmental and recreational needs; and 4) IPPs that fulfill a water supply gap that could come to fruition with added technical support and access to resources.

**Discussion:** The proposed effort aligns with well with many of the Southwest Basin Implementation Plan's Basin Goal's; such as Goal A: Balance all needs and reduce conflict; Goal B: Meet Agricultural Needs; Goal C: Meet Municipal and Industrial Water Needs, Goal D: Meet Recreational Water Needs: Goal E: Meet Environmental Needs (Section 1: Basin Goals and Measurable Outcomes; Table 1: Goals and Measurable Outcomes for the Southwest Basin Implementation Plan, pages 120-16). In addition this effort advances Outreach, Education and Public Engagement goals (CWP Chapter 9.5, pages 9-53 thru 9-61) and the Measurable Objectives and Adaptive Management goals of Colorado's Water Plan (CWP Chapter 10.2, page 10-5 thru 10-7), such as: H. Education, Outreach, and Innovation.

Issues/Additional Needs: No issues or additional needs have been identified.

Threshold and Evaluation Criteria: The application meets all four Threshold Criteria.

# **Tier 1-3 Evaluation Criteria:** n/a

## **Funding Summary/Matching Funds:**

	<u>Cash</u>	<u>In-kind</u>	<u>Total</u>
WSRA Southwest Basin Account	\$87,562	n/a	\$87,562
WSRA Statewide Account	\$43,781	n/a	\$43,781
Total Project Costs	\$131,343	<b>\$0</b>	\$131,343

# CWCB Project Manager: Craig Godbout

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 will help promote the development of a common technical platform. In accordance with the revised WSRA Criteria and Guidelines, staff would like to highlight additional reporting and final deliverable requirements. The specific requirements are provided below.

**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 scope 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.

**Engineering:** All engineering work (as defined in the Engineers Practice Act (§12-25-102(10) C.R.S.)) performed under this grant shall be performed by or under the responsible charge of professional engineer licensed by the State of Colorado to practice Engineering.