

SOUTHWEST BASINS ROUNDTABLE

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Mr. Craig Godbout

Water Supply Management Section

Colorado Water Conservation Board

1580 Logan Street, Suite 600

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SUBJECT: SW Colorado Weather Modification Strategic Plan for Winter Snow Pack
Augmentation, \$55,620 from Southwest Basin Account

Dear Mr. Godbout:

The Southwest Basin Roundtable approved funding of \$55,620 from the Basin Account for SW Colorado Weather Modification Strategic Plan for Winter Snow Pack Augmentation. The application was considered in detail and approved at the January 13, 2016 meeting of the Southwest Basin Roundtable. There was a quorum of Roundtable members present.

This strategic plan will engage stakeholders in two major cloud seeding programs in Southwest Colorado to improve the effectiveness of these programs and strategically introduce new technologies and lessons learned from recent cloud seeding experimentation and verification research.

Snow augmentation is recognized by the State of Colorado and the lower Basin states as a primary tool for helping to mitigate long term storage deficits and upper basin shortages that have plagued the Colorado Basin over the last 15 years. The strategic modernization of the cloud seeding programs in Southwest Colorado will add to the potential of this tool.

The completed Grant Application will be forwarded directly to you by the applicant. Please contact the applicant directly or me at 970-565-7562, mpreston@frontier.net, if you have questions or wish to discuss this application in more detail.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Michael Preston', written over a circular blue stamp or seal.

Michael Preston

Southwest Basin Roundtable Chair