



The South Platte Basin Roundtable

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Colorado Water Conservation Board

Mr. Eric Hecox
Colorado Water Conservation Board
1313 Sherman Street, Room 721
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Mr. Hecox:

The South Platte Basin Roundtable underwent an evaluation process of the Lower South Platte Wetlands Initiative – Phase I at our July 8, 2008, monthly meeting. The evaluation included a review of the project application and a presentation by Ducks Unlimited which contained a summary of the project, definition of project scope and budget, identification of project beneficiaries, and an overview of how this project provides for future water supply and environmental concerns.

This project encompasses the very essence of HB-1177 and SB-179. The project has met all the objectives of SWSI, which were adopted by the roundtable and works with other basins, including North Platte and Metro to meet the water needs of the State. The project seeks \$1,118,552 to be used as match with several other state and federal funding sources as part of a much larger effort. Ducks Unlimited and its many partners will bring nearly \$2 million to match this exciting \$3 million project. The application is seeking funds from the Statewide Basin account.

At our meeting, a motion was made and passed unanimously to forward this application with the full support of the roundtable. A minority report, as required by our by-laws, is unnecessary due to the unanimous decision to pass the application to you for funding.

We hope you are as excited to participate in this opportunity as we are, and we look forward to your decision.

Sincerely,

Bill Jerke, Chairman
South Platte Basin Roundtable

cc: Greg Kernohan