## *The Gunnison Basin Roundtable 501 Palmer Street Delta, CO 81416*

April 6, 2016

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

Re: WSRA Grant Request: Orchard Ranch Ditch Company – Orchard Ranch Ditch Pipe Project

Dear Mr. Godbout:

A WSRA grant application was submitted by the Orchard Ranch Ditch Company for \$25,000 from Basin Account funds and \$25,000 in Statewide Account funds from the Water Supply Reserve Account for the Orchard Ranch Ditch Pipe project. This application 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 April 4, 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.

The primary purpose of this project is agricultural irrigation water supply. Nearly 90% of this project will be funded by a USBR grant for salt reduction in the Colorado River basin. Other funding sources include a grant from the Colorado River Water Conservation District and a loan from the Colorado Water Conservation Board.

Thank you for your help in processing this WSRA grant request.

Sincerely,

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Frank J. Kugel Vice Chair

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