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AGENDA ITEM: 21. Notice of Instream Flow Recommendations for 2018

Background and Staff Recommendation

Pursuant to Rule 5c. of the Rules Concerning the Colorado Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Program ("ISF Rules"), Staff is providing notice that the following 65 stream segments have been recommended for instream flow (ISF) appropriations in 2018. At the January 2018 CWCB meeting, Staff may request that the Board form its intent to appropriate ISF water rights on these streams.

Please note that the list below includes 43 new recommendations (identified with an *) and 22 recommendations that Staff received in previous years. Staff has not yet moved the older recommendations forward due to the need for additional scientific data and/or ongoing attempts to address stakeholder issues. In 2018, Staff will recommend that the Board move forward on the recommendations for which Staff is able to reasonably address all outstanding issues. Staff is currently working with the recommending entities to further prioritize this list of recommendations. Detailed information regarding these stream segments is also available on the CWCB website located at: <http://cwcb.state.co.us/environment/instream-flow-program/Pages/2018ProposedISFRecommendations.aspx>

This is an informational item with no Board action required.

Instream Flow Recommendations

Div	Stream	Watershed	County	Upper Terminus	Lower Terminus
1	Cache la Poudre River	Cache La Poudre	Larimer	Outfall of Watson Fish Hatchery	Box Elder Ditch Hdgt.
1	Coal Creek	St. Vrain	Boulder	Boundary of Boulder County Open Space	Confl. Wastewater Treatment Outfall
1	Coal Creek	St. Vrain	Boulder	Confl. Wastewater Treatment Outfall	Confl. Lafayette Pumping Station no. 2
1	Indian Creek	Upper South Platte	Park	Headwaters	Confl. Willow Gulch
1	McCurdy Creek	Upper South	Park	Headwaters	Confl. Lost Creek



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		Platte			
1	Mill Creek*	Cache La Poudre	Larimer	Headwaters	Confl. Horsetooth Reservoir
1	North Fork Little Thompson River*	Big Thompson	Larimer	Headwaters	Confl. Little Thompson River
1	Platte Gulch	South Platte Headwaters	Park	Headwaters	Confl. MF South Platte River
1	Spring Canyon*	Cache La Poudre	Larimer	Headwaters	Confl. Horsetooth Reservoir
1	Sulzer Gulch*	Big Thompson	Larimer	Headwaters	Confl. Big Thompson River
1	Unnamed Tributary to Duck Creek	Upper South Platte	Clear Creek	Outlet of Lower Square Top Lake	Inlet of Duck Lake
2	Arkansas River	Upper Arkansas	Pueblo	Outfall of Fish Hatchery	Confl. Fountain Creek
2	Baker Creek	Huerfano	Huerfano	Headwaters	USFS Property Boundary
2	Beaver Creek	Upper Arkansas	Fremont	Confl. East Beaver Creek	Confl. unnamed tributary
2	Bonnett Creek	Huerfano	Huerfano	Headwaters	USFS Property Boundary
2	Cucharas River*	Huerfano	Huerfano	Highway 12 Bridge	Confl. Middle Creek
2	Cucharas River*	Huerfano	Huerfano	Confl. Middle Creek	Confl. Wahatoya Creek
2	Indian Creek*	Huerfano	Huerfano	Headwaters	Confl. Middle Creek
2	Wahatoya Creek*	Huerfano	Huerfano	Headwaters	Confl. Cucharas River
2	West Beaver Creek	Upper Arkansas	Fremont Teller	Confl. Dougals Gulch	Confl. East Beaver Creek
3	Grayback Creek*	Alamosa-Trinchera	Costilla	Headwaters	Confl. Placer Creek
3	Little Ute Creek*	Alamosa-Trinchera	Costilla	Headwaters	Confl. Ute Creek
3	Middle Fork Placer Creek*	Alamosa-Trinchera	Costilla	Headwaters	Confl. Placer Creek

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3	Miners Creek*	Saguache	Saguache	Headwaters	Confl. Prong Creek
3	North Fork West Indian Creek*	Alamosa-Trinchera	Costilla	Headwaters	Confl. SF West Indian Creek
3	Placer Creek*	Alamosa-Trinchera	Costilla	Headwaters	Confl. Sangre de Cristo Creek
3	Prong Creek*	Saguache	Saguache	Headwaters	Confl. South Carnero Creek
3	South Fork Jim Creek*	Alamosa-Trinchera	Conejos	Headwaters	Confl. Jim Creek
3	South Fork Placer Creek*	Alamosa-Trinchera	Costilla	Headwaters	Confl. Middle Fork Placer Creek
3	South Fork West Indian Creek*	Alamosa-Trinchera	Costilla	Headwaters	Confl. NF West Indian Creek
3	Ute Creek*	Alamosa-Trinchera	Costilla	Headwaters	Confl. Little Ute Creek
3	Ute Creek*	Alamosa-Trinchera	Costilla	Confl. Little Ute Creek	Confl. Sangre de Cristo Creek
3	Wagon Creek*	Alamosa-Trinchera	Costilla	Headwaters	Confl. Sangre de Cristo Creek
3	West Indian Creek*	Alamosa-Trinchera	Costilla	Confl. NF & SF West Indian Creek	Confl. Sangre de Cristo Creek
4	Cow Creek	Uncompahgre	Ouray	USFS Property Boundary	Confl. Uncompahgre River
4	Coyote Wash*	Upper Dolores	Montrose	Colorado/Utah Stateline	Confl. Dolores River
4	Dutchman Creek*	Tomichi	Saguache	Headwaters	Confl. Owens Creek
4	Kelso Creek	Lower Gunnison	Mesa	Headwaters	Confl. Bear Gulch
4	Little Cimarron River (Increase)	Upper Gunnison	Gunnison	Confl. Van Boxel Creek	Butte Ditch Hdgt.
4	Little Cimarron	Upper	Gunnison	Butte Ditch Hdgt.	Confl. Cimarron River

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	River	Gunnison	Montrose		
4	Monitor Creek*	Lower Gunnison	Montrose	USFS Property Boundary	Confl. Potter Creek
4	Potter Creek* (Increase)	Lower Gunnison	Montrose	USFS Property Boundary	Confl. Roubideau Creek
4	Spring Creek*	San Miguel	Montrose	Headwaters	Confl. Tabeguache Creek
5	Abrams Creek (Increase)	Eagle	Eagle	Headwaters	Mrs. Paye Ditch Hdgt.
6	Douglas Creek*	Lower White	Rio Blanco	Confl. E. & W. Douglas Creeks	Confl. White River
6	Hahn Creek*	Upper White	Rio Blanco	Headwaters	Confl. Lost Creek
6	Long Park Creek*	Upper White	Rio Blanco	Headwaters	Confl. Lost Creek
6	Lost Creek*	Upper White	Rio Blanco	Headwaters	Confl. Hahn Creek
6	Lost Creek*	Upper White	Rio Blanco	Confl. Hahn Creek	Confl. Long Park Creek
6	Marvine Creek*	Upper White	Rio Blanco	Flat Tops Wilderness Area Boundary	Confl. West Marvine Creek
6	Milk Creek*	Lower Yampa	Moffat	Confl. Wilson Creek	Confl. Yampa River
6	North Fork White River*	Upper White	Rio Blanco	Flat Tops Wilderness Area Boundary	Confl. Ripple Creek
6	Piceance Creek	Piceance-Yellow	Garfield Rio Blanco	Headwaters	Confl. Unnnamed Tributary
6	Piceance Creek	Piceance-Yellow	Rio Blanco	Confl. Unnamed Tributary	Confl. Cow Creek
6	South Fork White River*	Upper White	Rio Blanco	Flat Tops Wilderness Area Boundary	Confl. Swede Creek
6	West Marvine Creek*	Upper White	Rio Blanco	Headwaters	Confl. Marvine Creek
7	Disappointment Creek*	Upper Dolores	Dolores San Miguel	Confl. Morrison Creek	Confl. Dolores River

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7	Himes Creek	Upper San Juan	Mineral	Headwaters	Himes Ditch Hdgt.
7	Little Taylor Creek*	Upper Dolores	Montezuma	Headwaters	Confl. Taylor Creek
7	Rincon La Vaca Creek*	Upper San Juan	Hinsdale	Headwaters	Confl. Los Pinos River
7	Rio Lado	Upper Dolores	Montezuma	Headwaters	Confl. Dolores River
7	Ryman Creek*	Upper Dolores	Montezuma	Headwaters	Confl. Dolores River
7	Tenderfoot Creek*	Upper Dolores	Montezuma	Headwaters	Confl. Dolores River
7	Vallecito Creek	Upper San Juan	La Plata San Juan	Outlet of Vallecito Lake	Weminuche Wilderness Area Boundary
7	Wildcat Creek* (Increase)	Upper Dolores	Dolores Montezuma	Headwaters	Confl. Dolores River