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AGENDA ITEM: 24 (a-I): WSRF Grant Requests

Note: For March 2017 CWCB Board meeting, the initial six Statewide Account requests totaled \$748,335. With a current balance of \$590,743, this creates a \$157,592 shortfall in the Statewide Account's ability to fully fund all Statewide Account requests. Therefore CWCB staff calculated the proportion (percentage of total) of each request in relation to the total Statewide Account request, and applied these proportions (percentages) to the shortfall amount to determine the respective reduction for each of the six Statewide Account requests. Staff believes this approach distributes the shortfall burden among applicants in an equitable manner, while maintaining the ability to fund every request. CWCB staff has obtained agreement on this approach from all six applicants.

Staff Recommendation - Action Items: WSRF Grant Requests

A summary of staff's recommendation for each WSRF application is provided in the first component of the attached table. If applicable, the table also includes a breakdown of match amounts for applications that include a request for Statewide Account WSRF funds.

Favorable recommendations may be contingent on providing the CWCB with additional information, clarifications, or modifications in the scope of work. Please refer to the Water Activity Summary Sheets contained within this agenda item to find a summary of staff's review and any conditions associated with each recommendation.

Background:

For this agenda item the Board is provided with a brief overview of applications to the Water Supply Reserve Fund (WSRF). Attachments to this memo include:

- Summary spreadsheet detailing funding requests for the basin and statewide accounts;



- Summary spreadsheet displaying current WSRF Balance Summary of Fund Appropriations and Receipts by Fiscal Year, and Fund Distribution by Basin and Statewide Account.
- Water Activity Summary Sheets which provide an overview, discussion, issues/additional needs, and staff recommendation regarding funding, partial funding, or not funding the applications.

Staff's review of the applications involves the following steps:

- 1) Applications are reviewed for completeness based on the information requirements, which are primarily outlined in the Criteria and Guidelines (C&G).
- 2) Applications are reviewed to verify that the water activity meets the eligibility requirements in Section 39-29-108 (III) C.R.S. (C&G, Part 2) and the threshold criteria, which are based on the requirements of Section 39-29-108 (III) C.R.S., and two sections of the Water for the 21st Century Act (House Bill 1177); Section 37-75-102 and Section 37-75-104(2)(c) (C&G, Part 3). Staff also verifies that the applicant was an eligible entity to receive funding (C&G, Part 2).
- 3) Staff then prepares the Water Activity Summary Sheet which documents the outcome of the review process and contains staff's recommendations.

Water Supply Reserve Fund Balance Summary and Project Status Report:

To provide the Board updates on the status of specific Water Supply Reserve Fund grant applications and projects, staff can provide a status report of the following information upon request:

- List of completed WSRF projects;
- List of WSRF projects in progress; and
- List of WSRF projects in the contracting and procurement process.



COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD
Water Supply Reserve Fund - Balance Summary
February 2017

2/1/2007

Fund Appropriation and Receipts				
Fiscal Year	Legislative Appropriation	Funds Received	Statewide Account	Basin Account
2006/2007	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$5,500,000	\$4,500,000
2007/2008	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	\$4,200,000	\$1,800,000
2008/2009	\$10,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$4,300,000	\$2,700,000
2009/2010	\$5,775,000	\$5,775,000	\$4,215,750	\$1,559,250
2010/2011	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	\$4,380,000	\$1,620,000
2011/2012	\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000	\$4,732,000	\$2,268,000
2012/2013	\$10,000,000	\$7,157,724	\$4,580,943	\$2,576,781
2013/2014	\$10,000,000	\$10,091,639	\$6,458,649	\$3,632,990
2014/2015	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$6,400,000	\$3,600,000
2015/2016	\$10,000,000	\$9,103,590	\$5,826,298	\$3,277,292
2016/2017	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Interest	N/A	\$2,857,935	\$1,829,078	\$0
Prior Years Interest Adjustment			\$1,028,856	\$0
2014/2015 Interest	N/A	\$ 240,216	\$240,216	\$0
2015/2016 Interest	N/A	\$ 219,458	\$219,458	\$0
2016/2017 Interest	N/A	\$ 116,750	\$116,750	\$0
TOTAL	\$84,775,000	\$81,562,311	\$54,027,998	\$27,534,313

Interest diverted to SW per DNR reconciliation

Note: The WSRF is a Severance Tax "Tier II" program with 40% of funds distributed on July 1, 30% on January 1, and the final 30% on April 1.

In FY 2008/2009 the final 30% installment of \$3,000,000 was not received due to the State's budgetary shortfall.

In January 2012 interest for the program from its inception to date was credited directly to the Statewide Account.

Interest from January 2012 on is regularly calculated by the Treasury and credited to the Statewide Account.

Fund Distribution					
Basin	Approved Basin Grants	Total Basin Funds	Basin Account Balance	Approved State Grants	Statewide Account Balance
Arkansas	\$3,036,932	\$3,059,368	\$22,436	\$9,372,551	
Colorado	\$2,685,291	\$3,059,368	\$374,077	\$5,964,274	
Southwest *	\$2,744,563	\$3,059,368	\$314,805	\$7,259,911	
Gunnison *	\$2,614,514	\$3,059,368	\$444,854	\$4,619,681	
Metro	\$2,725,031	\$3,059,368	\$334,337	\$7,501,732	
North Platte	\$2,134,668	\$3,059,368	\$924,700	540,942	
Rio Grande	\$2,755,712	\$3,059,368	\$303,656	\$10,385,323	
South Platte *	\$2,635,562	\$3,059,368	\$423,806	\$7,061,094	
Yampa/White	\$2,240,419	\$3,059,368	\$818,949	\$731,747	
TOTAL	\$23,572,692	\$27,534,313	\$3,961,621	\$53,437,255	\$590,743
TOTAL APPROVED GRANTS					\$77,009,947

Note: Only includes grants approved by CWCB

Water Supply Reserve Fund Applications for Consideration at the March 2017 CWCB Board Meeting													
Agenda Item	Basin	Applicant	Name of Water Activity	Basin(s) Account Request	Statewide Account Requests	Total Request	Non-WSRF Cash Match	Non-WSRF In-Kind Match	Non-WSRF Total Match	Total Match (Basin Account & Non-WSRF Match)	Total Project or Study Costs	Staff Recommendations	PM
24(a)	Arkansas	Arkansas River Basin Water Forum	Implementing the Education & Outreach Goals of the ArkBIP through Education To Action Projects/Programs over a 3-year Period	\$8,000	\$18,000	\$26,000	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$36,000	Staff recommends approval of up to \$8,000 from the Arkansas Basin Account, and up to \$18,000 from the Statewide Account.	Ben Wade
24(b)	Arkansas	Colorado Water Protection and Development Association & Catlin Augmentation Association	Catlin Canal Recharge Pond Demonstration Project	\$5,000	\$30,500	\$35,500	\$44,400	\$0	\$44,400	\$49,400	\$79,900	Staff recommends approval of up to \$5,000 from the Arkansas Basin Account, and up to \$30,500 from the Statewide Account.	Ben Wade
24(c)	Colorado	John McConnell Math and Science Center	Advancing K-12 Water Education in Western Colorado	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000	\$5,475,000	\$0	\$5,475,000	\$5,500,000	\$5,500,000	Staff recommends approval of up to \$25,000 from the Colorado Basin Account.	Megan Holcomb
24(d)	Colorado	Trout Unlimited & Buckhorn Valley Metropolitan District #1	Abrams Creek Cutthroat Trout Project	\$45,000	\$319,711	\$364,711	\$932,239	\$75,000	\$1,007,239	\$1,052,239	\$1,371,950	Staff recommends approval of up to \$45,000 from the Colorado Basin Account, and up to \$319,711 from the Statewide Account.	Megan Holcomb
24(e)	Colorado	Grand Valley Water Users Association	Grand Valley Roller Dam Rehabilitation Phase 2 Master Plan	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$95,114	\$0	\$95,114	\$145,114	\$145,114	Staff recommends approval of up to \$50,000 from the Colorado Basin Account.	Anna Mausss
24(f)	Southwest	Town of Norwood	Raw Water System	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000	\$1,331,535	\$0	\$1,331,535	\$1,381,535	\$1,381,535	Staff recommends approval of up to \$50,000 from the Colorado Basin Account.	Anna Mausss
24(g)	Southwest	Montezuma County	McElmo Flume - Rehabilitation of Wooden Trough	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000	\$196,104	\$0	\$196,104	\$216,104	\$241,472	Staff recommends approval of up to \$20,000 from the Southwest Basin Account.	Megan Holcomb
24(h)	Southwest	Northstar Horse Rescue	Little Blanco Highline Ditch Renovation	\$7,500	\$0	\$7,500	\$6,400	\$1,564	\$7,964	\$15,464	\$15,464	Staff recommends approval of up to \$7,500 from the Southwest Basin Account.	Megan Holcomb
24(i)	South Platte	Ducks Unlimited	Peterson Bend Farm Recharge Project	\$46,945	\$111,177	\$158,122	\$0	\$325,000	\$325,000	\$371,945	\$483,122	Staff recommends approval of up to \$46,945 from the South Platte Basin Account, and up to \$111,177 from the Statewide Account.	Craig Godbout
24(j)	South Platte	Colorado School of Mines	Designing River Basin Storage Along the Lower South Platte River	\$39,089	\$11,841	\$50,930	\$46,442	\$0	\$46,442	\$85,531	\$97,372	Staff recommends approval of up to \$39,089 from the South Platte Basin Account, and up to \$11,841 from the Statewide Account.	Craig Godbout
24(k)	Yampa/White/Green	Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District	White River Storage Project - Phase 2A Study	\$85,000	\$82,888	\$167,888	\$182,112	\$0	\$182,112	\$267,112	\$350,000	Staff recommends approval of up to \$85,000 from the Yampa/White/Green Basin Account, and up to \$82,888 from the Statewide Account.	Anna Mauss
24(l)	Colorado	Colorado River Water Conservation District	Basin Roundtable Technical Study on Colorado River Risk Response Options	\$10,000	\$0	\$40,000	\$58,040	\$0	\$58,040	\$98,040	\$98,040	Staff recommends approval of up to \$10,000 from the Colorado Basin Account; up to \$10,000 from the Gunnison Basin Account; \$10,000 from the Southwest Basin Account; and up to \$10,000 from the Yampa/White/Green Basin Account.	Carlee Brown & Megan Holcomb
	Gunnison			\$10,000									
	Southwest			\$10,000									
	Yampa/White/Green			\$10,000									
			Total Requests	\$421,534	\$574,117	\$995,651							

<u>Basin</u>	<u>Basin Account Requests</u>	<u>Statewide Account Requests</u>	<u>Total Requests</u>		<u>Current Basin Account Balances</u>			<u>Remaining Basin Account Balances (if all requests approved)</u>	<u>Current Statewide Account Balance</u>	<u>Remaining Statewide Account Balance (if all requests approved)</u>
<u>Arkansas Basin</u>	\$13,000	\$48,500	\$61,500		\$22,436			\$9,436	\$590,743	\$16,626
<u>Colorado Basin</u>	\$130,000	\$319,711	\$449,711		\$374,077			\$244,077		
<u>Gunnsion Basin</u>	\$10,000	\$0	\$10,000		\$444,854			\$434,854		
<u>Metro Basin</u>	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$334,337			\$334,337		
<u>North Platte</u>	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$924,700			\$924,700		
<u>Rio Grande</u>	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$303,656			\$303,656		
<u>Southwest</u>	\$87,500	\$0	\$87,500		\$314,805			\$227,305		
<u>South Platte</u>	\$86,034	\$123,018	\$209,052		\$423,806			\$337,772		
<u>Yampa/White/Green</u>	\$95,000	\$82,888	\$177,888		\$818,949			\$723,949		
<u>Water Supply Reserve Account Total Requests</u>	\$421,534	\$574,117	\$995,651		\$3,961,620			\$3,540,086		