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TO:	Colorado Water Conservation Board Members
FROM:	Chris Sturm, Watershed and Flood Protection Section
DATE:	May 17, 2017
AGENDA ITEM:	13. Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund (FWRF) - River Run Phase III

#### Background:

The Fish and Wildlife Resources statute (attached), § 37-60-122.2, authorized the Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund in 1987. It was amended in 2002 to help mitigate the impacts of existing water facilities. The River Run Project on the South Platte River downstream of Chatfield Reservoir is Phase III of a three phase flood control project implemented by Uban Drainage and Flood Control District (UDFCD). This channel section has undergone significant degradation due to Chatfield Reservoir and a reduced incoming sediment load, which has resulted in a very wide and shallow channel with little to no aquatic and wetland habitat. The first phase has been completed and the second phase is funded and under construction. The cost for Phase III is \$4.7 million. UDFCD is requesting that CWCB support a grant of \$439,500 in order to complete this phase of a \$14 million dollar improvement on the South Platte River.

#### Discussion:

UDFCD proposes to install four grade-control structures, narrow and deepen the channel, and create wetland and riparian benches to improve fish habitat through the 2000 foot reach. The proposed project will improve ecological structure and function on the river and adjacent riparian areas, while maintaining the flood-control characteristics required by US Army Corps of Engineers. The FWRF grant will go towards extra expenses associated with installing four smaller drop structures suitable for upstream fish migration and safe boat passage downstream. The structures also allow for increased riffle, pool, and riparian habitat. Absent the FWRF grant, UDFCD will proceed with one large drop structure that does not achieve multiple objectives for environmental and recreational water uses. Both project alternatives allow for flood water conveyance.

#### Staff recommendation:

Staff has reviewed UDFCD's FWRF application (attached) and found it in conformance with Board Policy 15 (attached). Staff recommends that the Board approve a non-reimbursable expenditure up to \$439,000 from the Fish and Wildlife Resource Fund for the purpose of providing matching dollars to the River Run Phase III Project. This amount represents 9.3% of the total project cost.



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# River Run Project

Arapahoe County, Colorado

## Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund Grant



Submitted by:



Urban Drainage and Flood Control District

Submitted to: Colorado Water Conservation Board

### Section 3.1: Applicant Information

#### Date of Submittal: April 7, 2017

Name of Project: River Run Project

#### **Applicant Contact Information:**

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Organization Type: Special District

Applicant Federal Employer ID Number (FEIN): 84-0599780

Submitted By:

Name: Laura Kroeger

Date: April 7, 2017

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### Section 3.2: Project Summary Form

### **Project Location Information**

Nearest Town or City	City of Sheridan		
County	Arapahoe		
Township/Range/Section	T5S, R68W, Sections 4, 5, and 9		
Latitude/Longitude	39.641547°N/105.015188°W		
State Senate District	District 26		
State Representative District	District 3		
Stream Name and Watershed	South Platte River, Middle South Platte River-Cherry		
	Creek Watershed		
Water Division	1 (South Platte River Basin)		
Water District	8 (South Platte: Cheesman to Denver Gage)		

Figure 1 in Appendix A is a vicinity map for the project area.

### Land Ownership

Name of Landowner: Colorado Water Conservation Board (Appendix A, Figure 2)

Evidence of ownership or easements for river restoration work:

☑ □ Enclosed □ Will forward if requested

Not yet available (explain timeline)

#### Grant Request

Total Project Cost	\$4,700,000
Grant Request	\$439,500
List Funding Sources:	
Project Sponsors Trust/Project Account	\$2,502,000
UDFCD 2017/2018 Budget	\$1,050,000
Arapahoe County 2017/2018 Budget	\$698,500
Trout Unlimited	\$10,000
Total Budgeted	\$4,700,000

### **Project Description**

UDFCD is requesting funding for the River Run Project, a proposed river restoration project along the South Platte River in Arapahoe County, Colorado. The purpose of the project is to enhance the South Platte River to improve aquatic, wetland, and riparian habitat; provide boat passage through this channel section; and maintain flood conveyance and grade control. The project is needed due to the significant degradation of the channel through the project area and partial failure of existing grade-control structures, which has likely created barriers for fish passage and safety hazards for river users.

### Section 3.3: Technical Narrative Description

### Project Need/Definition of the Problem

UDFCD is proposing river restoration along about 2,000 linear feet of the South Platte River in Sheridan, Arapahoe County, Colorado (project area, Appendix A). The channel improvements will improve aquatic, wetland, and riparian habitat; provide boat passage and recreation through this river reach; and maintain flood conveyance and grade control. This reach of the South Platte River was part of a Flood Risk Reduction Project implemented by the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) in the 1970s following the devastating flood of 1965. The reach has been channelized because of encroachment from development.

Currently, this section of channel contains one large boulder drop structure that has partially failed and hinders movement of aquatic organisms through this river reach. This channel section has also undergone significant degradation due to Chatfield Reservoir and a reduced incoming sediment load, which has resulted in a very wide and shallow channel with little to no aquatic and wetland habitat. UDFCD proposes to install four grade-control structures, narrow and deepen the channel, and create wetland and riparian benches to improve fish habitat and movement through the reach and allow for boat passage (Appendix B Construction Plan Set). The proposed project would improve the ecological functions and services on the river and adjacent riparian areas, while maintaining the flood-control characteristics required by USACE for the project.

The River Run Project was broken out into three phases based on funding (Appendix A, Figure 1). The first phase has been completed and the second phase is funded and under construction. The third phase of work described above is what is being requested for funding by the Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund Grant (Appendix A, Figures 1 and 2). The cost for Phase III is \$4.7 million. UDFCD is requesting the Colorado Water Conservation Board support a grant of \$439,500 in order to complete the third phase of a \$14 million dollar improvement on the South Platte River.

Without a grant from the Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund, Phase III will be redesigned to replace the large existing drop with another large structure that will be less expensive to construct. The smaller drop structures would improve movement of aquatic organisms, provide riffle and pool habitat for fish and other aquatic organisms, and allow for the creation of wetland and riparian benches that would provide wildlife habitat for the many species that use the South Platte River as a migration corridor or foraging habitat. Without the smaller drop structures, these ecological improvements will not be possible. A decision on the design needs to be determined by August 2017. Construction can begin in October 2017.

### Project Goals and Objective

The purpose of the proposed action is to enhance the South Platte River through the project area to improve aquatic, wetland, and riparian habitat; provide boat passage through this channel section; and maintain flood conveyance and grade control. The need of the proposed action is due to the significant degradation of the channel through the project area and partial failure of an existing grade-control structure, which has created barriers for fish passage and safety hazards for river users.

Following are the identified objectives of the project:

• Replace existing drop structure – Movement of boulders and exposed sheetpile has compromised the channel grade and has created hazards to river users.

- Realign the channel and modify the channel profile Establish a low-flow channel with emergent vegetated benches, create sinuosity in the low-flow channel, and redistribute the existing hydraulic gradient to reduce long flat stretches in the channel.
- Maintain flood conveyance.
- Reintroduce native vegetation on the channel and banks (no woody vegetation proposed Requirement of the Flood Readiness Branch of the USACE).
- Bury and plant existing exposed riprap with native grasses and herbaceous vegetation.
- Recreational enhancement Construct a safe boat passage, viewing areas, and upland park spaces.
- Improve river health Improve wetland/riparian habitat, sediment transport, movement of aquatic organisms, and water quality.
- Connectivity Provide access through the river corridor and to the river's edge and a regional trail connection with no at-grade street crossings.

### Aquatic Resources

**Existing Conditions:** Several native fish species are known to occur within or near the project area, including creek chub, fathead minnow, green sunfish, white sucker, longnose dace, channel catfish, Johnny darter, lowa darter, and mosquitofish (Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) 2012). Gamefish species known to occur within or near the project area include rainbow trout, brown trout, walleye, and smallmouth bass. The large drop structure in the project area is likely a migration barrier that prevents fish passage. Fish habitat in the project area is likely used for feeding, and potentially breeding, since the drop structures prevent migration to upstream spawning locations. The wide and shallow channel also provides poor quality habitat for aquatic species, with little variation in channel depth, increased temperature, and no shelter provided. The ability of fish to migrate upstream and downstream and physical diversity in the channel is critical for native fish species in the South Platte River.

**Benefits:** With the implementation of the proposed action, aquatic habitat would significantly improve through the project area. The large drop structure that is currently a migration barrier for fish would be removed. The project includes installing four smaller drop structures that would improve fish and other organism movement and create more drop-pool sequences that provide habitat for aquatic species. The project would also include reshaping the channel to provide a narrower and deeper channel, which would reduce temperatures, increase riffles, and redistribute the hydraulic gradient. Boulder clusters and jetties would also be installed, which would improve aquatic habitat by providing shade and shelter and support a narrower and deeper channel. UDFCD contacted CPW, which determined that the proposed redesign of the drop structures would assist with habitat improvements in the project area reach and overall improve the aquatic environment in the metro reach of the South Platte River (Appendix B). UDFCD has also partnered with Denver Trout Unlimited to include additional fish habitat structures called LUNKERS, which create overhead cover for fish by creating an undercut bank.

#### **Terrestrial Resources**

**Existing Conditions:** Smooth brome, sand dropseed, cheatgrass, Canadian horseweed, and Canada thistle dominate the uplands along the riverbanks. Due to the project area being within a flood-control facility, little woody vegetation is present along the riverbanks. The riparian habitat that is present primarily consists of intermittent patches of sandbar willow, Russian olive, and Siberian elm trees. All of the banks within the project area are lined with riprap, with many sections of the riprap exposed and containing no vegetation.

**Benefits:** With the implementation of the proposed action, the upland and riparian resources would improve throughout the project area. The proposed project includes creating more floodplain benches to provide riparian habitat and restabilizing the banks with native riparian and upland seed. The areas with exposed riprap would be regraded and restored as native uplands. Creating wetland/riparian benches and burying exposed riprap would enhance the wildlife habitat along this reach of the river.

### **Recreation and Education**

**Existing Conditions:** The Mary Carter Greenway Trail occurs along the western bank of the river through the project area. This trail is a heavily used pedestrian and cycling trail within an urban corridor. The Broken Tee Golf Course in Englewood is directly north of the project area. Due to the steep banks and limited access, little fishing occurs in the project area. The large drop structures also are a hazard for boating through the project area.

**Benefits:** With the implementation of the proposed action, several recreational components would be improved throughout the project area. The large drop structure would be removed and smaller drop structures would be constructed to improve boat passage and safety. Access points to the river itself would be constructed to increase fishing, recreational activities, and educational opportunities within the project area. Several schools have already shown interest in using the area for outdoor experiential education.

### Technical Feasibility of the Proposed Project

Proposed improvements have been designed to meet the project goals. The following is a summary of the proposed improvements:

- Channel stabilization Replace failing existing grade-control drop structure built as part of the original flood control project with a series of four smaller drop structures that are boatable and more conducive to fish movement.
- Low-flow thalweg Create a narrow low-flow channel for increased depth, velocity, and sinuosity ("creek within a river") to improve habitat, aesthetics, and recreation.
- Bank stabilization Bury riprap, boulder jetties, and terraced boulders.
- Access to river bottom Create local access trails to the channel.
- View areas Create cobble bar areas, terraced boulder seating areas, and river overlooks.
- Vegetation Create an emergent bench with riparian and aquatic plants in the channel and on the banks and plant upland species on the upper banks and out of the channel.

As proposed, River Run Phase III will not adversely impact the ability of the river to control flooding. Structures will be designed to withstand 100-year flood events. The proposed channel grade and bank stabilization structures are consistent with similar structures constructed as part of the original project. The vegetation proposed would not decrease the channel design capacity based on hydraulic analysis. The proposed improvements would not affect the current operations of the channel (Appendix C).

Maintenance of the proposed project will be similar to the existing channel. A revision to the operations and maintenance manual will be submitted at a later date. In-river construction will be performed during the fall and winter when flooding is least likely. Temporary construction structures, such as cofferdams, will be removed prior to spring runoff.

All permitting for the project has been completed. A Clean Water Act Section 404 permit was authorized for the entire River Run Project on December 9, 2015 and does not expire until December 8, 2018. The 404

permit included a Clean Water Act 401 certification from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. An environmental assessment was also completed for the project as part of the Section 408 process with the USACE. A Section 408 modification permit has been obtained by the USACE for this project.

### Project Implementation Plan

The goals of the project will be achieved by construction of structures and other design elements that satisfy multiple design objectives simultaneously as previously described. Planning, design, and permitting have been completed. Naranjo Civil Constructors (Contractor) has been selected to build the project. The Contractor built Phase I, is currently building Phase II, and will build Phase III. Final implementation (construction) will be as follows:

- Install temporary construction erosion- and sediment-control best management practices (BMPs) (e.g., vehicle tracking, concrete washout, silt fence/waddles at the tops or toes of the banks, and construction access roads).
- Dewater one-half of the river to allow surface water to continue to flow around work area. All river structures and bank work will be completed in a "dry" condition for best results and to minimize sediment discharges downstream. Sheet pile will be used as the primary dewatering material. Seepage and subsurface water will be pumped to a settlement basin.
- Install structures, grade floodplain benches/vegetation benches, install boulder jetties/vanes, and install bank stabilization installed on one side of the river.
- Dewater the unfinished side of the river using the same approach as above.
- Install the remaining structures and bank stabilization and finish channel/bank grading.
- Install post-construction erosion control using coconut erosion-control blankets on all slopes at 4:1 and steeper and all banks that could experience active river flow.
- Plant vegetation and provide temporary watering until established.
- Remove temporary construction erosion-control BMPs once vegetation is established.

### Project Time Schedule

The Phase III design is complete, all permits and easements have been obtained, and costs have been negotiated. The Contractor will be completing River Run Phase II in early summer 2017 and will be ready to start the river work for Phase III in October 2017 if funding is obtained. The construction will take about 9 months to complete.

### Monitoring Plan

The Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) is the project sponsor for the USACE's original project that is being modified by the proposed river restoration project. The CWCB partners with UDFCD to maintain the channel. The UDFCD is financially supported by a property tax mill levy specifically collected for the South Platte River. CWCB and UDFCD annually inspect the reach with the USACE to ensure the reach is maintained as designed. UDFCD performs river management services six times a year that consist of a crew walking the reach to provide vegetation management, removing debris and trash, and identifying any potential problem areas.

In addition to the above maintenance, the Section 404 permit for the River Run Project requires annual monitoring for a period of at least 5 years after construction has been completed. The monitoring report documents the conditions of the project area, including the establishment of wetland and riparian habitat,

and if the project was constructed as planned. The monitoring reports will be submitted to the USACE on an annual basis.

### Qualifications of the Applicant

UDFCD has been working with local government partners for more than three decades designing, building, and maintaining projects along the South Platte River in the Denver metro area. Project Partners is an alternative project delivery method developed by UDFCD to provide the best value projects. One of the principles of Project Partners is having the right team of experts at the right time to lead projects. This is accomplished by working with prequalified consultants and contractors who are engaged in both the design and construction phases. The River Run Project team leads for design and construction, McLaughlin Whitewater Design Group and Naranjo Civil Constructors, respectively, have proven success records with UDFCD.

The project team met the schedule and budget for the River Run Phase I with a total project cost of \$6 million and the work exceeded expectations. River Run Phase II construction is currently underway and is on track to finish within the schedule and budget as well, with a total project cost of \$3.3 million.

### Coordination Plan and Public Involvement

UDFCD, Arapahoe County, and the city of Sheridan are the major funding sponsors of the River Run Phase III Project. Trout Unlimited is also collaborating on the project and has been actively involved in developing LUNKER structures for improved fish habitat that they are funding. Partners also include the city of Englewood, South Suburban Parks and Recreation District, and Great Outdoors Colorado, all of which made financial contributions to the first two phases. See Appendix D for support letters.

At the onset of the River Run Project, all the partners worked together to draft and agree upon the Principles of Cooperation. The project team also developed a project charter to clearly identify goals, objectives, roles, and responsibilities. Both of these planning tools have helped successfully guide the implementation of the first two phases of work and has informed the team for the completion of Phase III.

### Planning and Public Outreach

- In 2014, the South Platte Working Group a collaboration between UDFCD, Arapahoe County, and the
  municipalities and special districts situated along the Platte in Arapahoe County completed and
  published The South Platte River Corridor Vision 2014, where this reach of the river was identified as a
  short-term priority project.
- A public open house was held on November 12, 2014 at the Broken Tee Golf Course in Englewood to give an opportunity for the public to obtain more information about River Run Project as well as provide feedback. More than 30 business owners, community leaders, and residents attended the open house. All of those attending shared positive feedback and support for this project.
- Sheridan, Englewood, and UDFCD conducted public outreach by setting up displays at Sheridan's National Night Out and Englewood's FunFest. These events were particularly targeted to getting diverse and underserved populations engaged. The turnout was solid and the most common public comment was "When will it be built?"
- Concept designs have been completed since 2014 and are posted at the Broken Tee Golf Course, Englewood Recreation Center, Sheridan Recreation Center, and Malley Senior Recreation Center.

### Appendices

Appendix A Maps Appendix B Construction Plan Set Appendix C Analysis of Flood Impacts Appendix D Support Letters Appendix E Scope of Work and Budget Appendix F Contract Materials

### Appendix A Maps



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## **River Run Project**



Arapahoe County Assessor's Parcel

Colorado Water Conservation Board Property



Appendix B Construction Plan Set

# SOUTH PLATTE RIVER RUN PARK PHASE II & III - FINAL DESIGN

MAY, 2016



URBAN DRAINAGE AND FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION



CITY OF ENGLEWOOD

UDFCD CONTRACT # 15-10.4 CITY OF SHERIDAN 



COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD

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2-14.12	LANDSCAPE AND IRRIGATION PLAN	
4.13	IRRIGATION DETAILS	
EI	GENERAL CONSTRUCTION NOTES	
E2	SITE PLAN	

#### SOUTH SUBURBAN PARKS AND RECREATION DISTRICT

RAL DETAILS EVATIONS



#### LEGEND - EXISTING

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	PROPOSED CONTOUR MINOR
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9	STORM SEWER MANHOLE
0	WATER MANHOLE
	STORM SEWER INLET
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	UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC LINES
G	UNDERGROUND GAS LINE
W W	UNDERGROUND WATER LINE
UT	UNDERGROUND TELEPHONE LINE
SS	UNDERGROUND SANITARY SEWER LINE
ST	UNDERGROUND STORM SEWER LINE
	CONCRETE CURB, FLOWLINE & DRAIN PAN ALONG PUBLIC ROADS
	EXISTING SHEET PILE

EXISTING WETLAND AREA EXISTING RIPRAP

EXISTING CONCRETE

EXISTING SUBSURFACE RIPRAP

EXISTING RIPRAP - LARGE BOULDERS

#### LEGEND - PROPOSED



SOUTH PLATTE RIVER RUN PARK LEGEND UDFCD SHERIDAN, COLORADO FINAL DESIGN

#### GENERAL STRUCTURAL NOTES:

FOUNDATION, EXCAVATION, AND BACKFILL

FOUNDATION DEGIGN BASED ON GEOTECHNICAL, REPORT, FROM CTL/THOMPSON, DATED JULY 3, 2013, CONTRACTOR SHALL REVIEW THE CTL/HOMPSON, DATED JULY 3, 2013. CONTRACTOR SHALL REVIEW THE SOLIS REPORT WHICH IS AVAILABLE IN THE ENGINEER'S OFFICE. STRUCTURES MAY GENERALLY BE PLACED ON INSTIL MATERIALS SCARFIED TO 8 INCHES AND RECOMPACTED AT OPTIMUM MOISTURE CONTENT, A QUALIFIED SOLIS ENGINEER SHALL INSPECT THE OPEN EXCAVATION TO VERRY THE FOUNDATION BEARING MATERIAL AND THE PLACEMENT OF THE COMPACTED FILL MATERIALS, SEE PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS FOR SOIL COMPACTED AND BEDROCK EXCAVATION REQUIREMENTS.

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#### REINFORCEMENT

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#### NOTE:

SURVEY COMPLETED BY MERRICK & COMPANY ON FEBRUARY 18TH, 2013

VERTICAL DATUM: NAVD88

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		Growing	Height					
Common Name	Scientific Name	Season	(feet)	Growth Form	Wetland Designation	100% at Full Rate	%	Pis#/A
Species for Upland Grass	and Slopes (Code A3/ WGS1)							
Crested Wheatgrass "Fairw	av"						30	)
Western Wheatgrass "Arib	a" or "Barton						30	5
Sideoats Grama							20	5
Blue Gramma							15	5
Buffalo Grass (treated)							Ę	5
Species for Piperion Flor		de PCe1/ P	() er2)					
Big Bluestom	Andropogon gorardii	ue nasi/ n	2 to 6	bunchy, cod formor		5.5	20	1.10
Switchgrass	Rapioum virgatum	warm	2 to 5	bunchy, sou lonner		2.0	5	0.10
Vollow Indiangrass	Sorabastrum putans	warm	2 to 6	bunchy, sod formor		5.0	15	0.10
Alkali Sacaton	Sorpholus airoidos	warm	1 to 2	bunchy, sou lonner		1.0	5	0.75
Green Needlegrass	Nassella viridula	cool	1 5 to 3 5	huncharass		5.0	10	0.50
Western Wheatgrass	Pasconvrum smithii	cool	1 to 3	sod forming		8.0	20	1.60
Fulte Alkaligrass	Puccinellia distans	cool	1 to 1 5	buncharass		1.0	5	0.05
Canada Wildrye	Flymus canadensis	cool	2 to 4	short-lived buncharass		5.0	20	1.00
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Species for Herbaceous	Vetland Areas (Code UGs2)	_						
Prairie Cordgrass	Spartina pectinata	warm	3.5 to 7	sod forming				1.00
Canada Wildrye	Elymus canadensis	cool	2 to 4	short-lived, bunchgrass				1.00
Switchgrass	Panicum virgatum	warm	2 to 5	bunchgr., sod w/ mow				0.10
Inland Saltgrass	Distichlis spicata	warm	0.5 to1.5	sod forming				0.75
Fowl Bluegrass	Poa palustris	cool	1 to1.5	bunchgrass				0.50
Nebraska Sedge	Carex nebrascensis	cool	1 to 2.5	sod forming				1.90
Woolly Sedge	Carex lanuginos a	cool	1 to 3	sod forming				0.10
Creeping Spikerush	Eleocharis palustris	cool	0.5 to 2	sod forming				0.10
Torrey's Rush	Juncus torreyi	cool	1 to 2.5	sod forming				0.10
Baltic Rush	Juncus balticus	cool	0.5 to 2.5	sod forming				0.60
American Threesquare	Schoenoplectus pungens		2 to 4		obligate			0.25
American Mannagrass	Glyceria grandis		4 to 5		obligate			0.50
Marsh Sunflower	Helianthus nuttallii		5		facw			0.10

Irrigated Kentucky Bluegrass Sod

(DISTURBED 17,681 S.F.)



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	PERMIT REVIEW		09/23/15	SHERIDAN COLORADO	FINAL DESIGN	MATURE RIVER VECETATION PLAN
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NOTE: ALL PROPOSED PLANTS BELOW 100 YR. FLOODPLAIN ELEVATION ARE GRASSES/ HERBACEOUS. NO WOODY PLANTS ARE PROPOSED.





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Appendix C Analysis of Flood Impacts



#### MEMORANDUM

To: File

From: Ben Nielsen, P.E., Mathew Accardo, E.I.T.

Date: March 2014

RE: South Platte River Run Park – Flood Analysis

#### Hydraulic Flood Analysis

The project reach is located in a USACE FRRP facility. It is therefore required that any modifications to the channel provide adequate conveyance of high flows. To verify equivalent conveyance, one-dimensional hydraulic modeling was conducted using HEC-RAS v4.1.0 software. 100-year flood water surface elevation profiles for the proposed project were compared to the USACE channel design with the Union Avenue Boat Chutes included (Corrected Effective Model). Water surface elevations for the proposed project at or below the USACE design water surface elevations (as modified) indicate equivalent conveyance capacity. This analysis is intended to identify potential impacts on channel capacity from proposed modifications not establish base flood elevations or develop flood hazard mapping.

Two Effective Models, SOPFINAL.DAT and SOPHAUN.DAT, for the original USACE channel design were provided to MWDG by UDFCD and CWCB. Duplicate Effective Models were generated by converting the HEC-2 Effective Models to HEC-RAS. Limits of the Effective Models are located in the project reach near the diversion for the City of Englewood raw water intake (Union Boat Chute #1). Therefore, a single continuous model was developed by combining the two Effective Models. Two changes were required to get the Effective Model to run in HEC-RAS software. First, the cross sections were renumbered to increase going upstream and the original section numbers were moved to the description box in the model. Second, insignificant distance (0.01 ft) was added to the cross sections at bridge locations. The Duplicate Effective Model in HEC-RAS was compared to the Effective Model HEC-2 output. Appendix C includes a water surface comparison table. There are two areas of significant change, which are explained as follows.

1. The Duplicate Effective water surface is higher at Oxford Bridge resulting from different bridge modeling routines between the two models. As a check, the bridge geometry was coded in as a cross section instead of a bridge; the water surface upstream of the bridge should not be lower than this condition because it negates pier losses and other form losses included in the bridge routines. The water surface closely matched the Duplicate Effective Model and was higher than the Effective Model HEC-2 output. Therefore, we believe that

the bridge routine used in the Duplicate Effective Model more accurately predicts the flood conditions in this reach.

2. The second difference occurs in the stilling basin for the former low head diversion dam near Union Ave. The Duplicate Effective Model water surface is higher than the Effective Model HEC-2 output, which is likely a result of ineffective flow area in the pool bottom that was accounted for in the HEC-2 model, but did not transfer to the HEC-RAS model. This difference is limited to a short distance near the location of the hydraulic jump and area of energy dissipation in the pool. This area is irrelevant since the channel bathymetry was significantly altered when the historic dam was replaced with a series of drop structures in the 1990s (Union Avenue Boat Chutes).

The Duplicate Effective Model was modified to create the Corrective Effective Model. The Union Avenue Boat Chutes were added to the model based on record drawings and the vertical datum adjusted to NAVD 88. Boundary conditions and Manning's roughness values from the Effective Models were unchanged in the Corrected Effective Model.

The Proposed Conditions Model was developed based on proposed channel modifications as described within this report and shown on the design drawings. Cross sections in the model were created with topographic survey data, proposed design geometry, and anticipated roughness. In the project reach, cross sections were added at bridges, existing and proposed controls, drop structures and pools. Roughness for proposed vegetation and in-river elements are included in the model. The downstream model boundary condition was set to the 100-year water surface elevation of the Corrected Effective Model. A normal depth of 0.1% was used for the upstream model boundary condition. All hydraulic models used in the flood analysis are available upon request.
	Proposed	Proposed	USACE Corrected	
Description	River	100-yr	Effective 100-yr	Change (ft)
	Station	WSE	WSE*	
Upstream Boundary	179081.6	5304.47	5304.65	-0.18
Pedestrian Bridge @ Big Dry Creek	178738.1	5303.43	5304.08	-0.65
Union Bridge	178344.6	5303.09	5303.09	0.00
Englewood Intake Structure	178086.2	5302.49	5302.52	-0.03
Union Boat Chute #1	177993.6	5299.70	5299.90	-0.20
Union Boat Chute #2	177724.7	5295.96	5296.03	-0.07
Union Boat Chute #3	177446.3	5293.39	5293.47	-0.08
Union Boat Chute #4	177320.9	5291.38	5291.81	-0.43
Union Boat Chute #5	177120.4	5289.35	5289.78	-0.43
Union Boat Chute #6	177005.3	5288.18	5288.25	-0.07
Union Boat Chute #7	176750.4	5285.91	5288.13	-2.22
Downstream of Boat Chute #7	176184.9	5286.36	5286.99	-0.63
Whitewater Feature #6	175690.2	5284.80	5285.80	-1.00
Downstream of WW Feature #6	175300	5283.35	5284.39	-1.04
Whitewater Feature #5	175016.1	5281.12	5281.78	-0.66
Downstream of WW Feature #5	174907.1	5281.73	5282.21	-0.48
Whitewater Feature #4	174728.1	5280.60	5281.58	-0.98
Downstream of WW Feature #4	174601.2	5280.71	5281.43	-0.72
Whitewater Feature #3	174283.2	5279.43	5281.10	-1.67
Downstream of WW Feature #3	174161.6	5279.55	5281.00	-1.45
Oxford Bridge	173846.9	5278.39	5280.18	-1.79
Whitewater Feature #2	173621	5276.63	5276.69	-0.06
Downstream of WW Feature #2	173511.1	5277.20	5277.61	-0.41
Whitewater Feature #1	173421.5	5276.95	5277.12	-0.17
Counterweir/Pedestrian Bridge	173296.2	5276.27	5276.27	0.00
Downstream boundary	173188.7	5275.45	5275.45	0.00

Table 1 – Model Results Comparison ofCorrected Effective and Proposed Conditions 100-year Water Surface Elev.

\*Water surface elevations graphically interpreted from HEC-RAS profile results

Results from the Proposed Conditions Model were compared to the Corrective Effective Model (see Table 1). Distances in the Corrective Effective Model are not consistent with the topographic survey and Proposed Conditions Model. For example, the total distance from the Oxford Avenue Bridge to the Union Avenue Bridge in the Corrected Effective Model is approximately 140' longer than surveyed. Distances in the Corrective Effective Model were changed to match field surveyed bridge and control structure locations. This allowed meaningful comparison of the Corrective

Effective and Proposed Conditions Model results. Profiles of the 100-year water surface elevations are attached. Results comparison of the Proposed Conditions and Corrected Effective Models indicates that the proposed channel modifications provide at least equivalent conveyance of 100-year flood flows.

Selection of channel roughness for the hydraulic models has a significant impact on the results. Manning's "n" values for the Effective Model in the proposed project reach range from 0.03 to 0.052 in the channel bottom and from 0.035 to 0.05 for the banks. Manning's "n" values for the Effective Model were unchanged for this analysis. In the Proposed Conditions model, vegetation was added:

- South of Oxford Avenue Approximately 2' above the low flow thalweg invert elevation up to the top of both bank between drop structures
- North of Oxford Avenue On both banks outside of proposed park improvements
- Above 100-yr Flood Water Surface Dense vegetation including trees at or near top of banks

A Manning's "n" value of 0.07 was selected for modeling in-river vegetation based on the roughness used in the 2003 USACE Section 1135 report conveyance analysis. A flume study was conducted by the USACE titled "ERDC/CHL TR-00-25" in October 2000, where willows of various characteristics were tested for resistance to flow. According to the study, willow growth of 8 feet high, 6 feet wide, a density of 1 plant per square foot, and a flow depth of 8 feet results a roughness value of 0.07. Manning's "n" values used for the channel bottom are 0.03 and 0.025 for center boat chutes. A Manning's value of 0.1 was used for dense vegetation, including trees, at the top of the banks.

A sensitivity analysis was conducted to evaluate the effect of increased vegetation roughness on flood conveyance. Roughness values in the Proposed Conditions model were increased from 0.07 to 0.1. Proposed 100-year water surface elevations were below the Corrected Effective model water surface throughout the project with the exception of a localized rise of approximately 0.2 foot for 100 feet near Drop #5.

Proposed river vegetation has been designed (See Design Drawings). The vegetation modeled is beyond the intended vegetation, in particular the density of woody vegetation, and resulting hydraulic roughness. Although woody vegetation in the channel is planned, dense woody vegetation throughout the reach is not. Further discussion and detail regarding planned vegetation is presented later in this section.

Several stationing conventions have been used for the project reach. Stationing in the original USACE construction plans increases from upstream to downstream. HEC-RAS requires that model stationing increase from downstream to upstream. Cross section numbering in the Effective Model was changed to meet required HEC-RAS station conventions. USACE design/construction stationing is listed for each cross section in the description field in the model. Proposed Conditions Model stationing was developed based on the report by Wright Water Engineers, Inc. titled "Flood Hazard Area Delineation, South Platte River, Denver Metropolitan Area, Sand Creek to Oxford Avenue" dated September 1985 and the project channel centerline. Federal Emergency

Management Administration (FEMA) flood hazard (FIRM) mapping downstream of the USACE channel improvements was developed from this study. Bridge locations and corresponding cross section stations were used to correlate the project stationing and the 1985 study. The centerline alignment was defined by MWDG based on recent topographic survey work. Effective and Proposed Conditions Models stationing were coordinated for comparison using common locations such as bridges and control structure crests.

Orthometric height differences exists between National Geodetic Vertical Datum 1929 (NGVD 29) and the North American Vertical Datum 1988 (NAVD 88). Recent topographic survey work completed for the project and used for hydraulic modeling is referenced to NAVD 88 whereas the Effective Model and original channel design is on the NGVD 29 datum. Using the datum conversion application on the National Geodetic Survey website and the project latitude and longitude, a correction of +3.022 feet resulted. Comparison of topographic survey data for the Boat Chute #1 crest (site of original Union Weir) with the crest elevation from the original USACE design and hydraulic model indicates a correction of +3.1'. In addition, a correction of 3.1' was used for recent flood hazard mapping completed by Moser and Associates in 2010 downstream of Oxford Avenue. A correction of +3.1' was applied to the Effective Model to adjust to NAVD 88.

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#### MEMORANDUM

To: File

From: Ben Nielsen, P.E., Mathew Accardo, E.I.T.

Date: June 2015

RE: South Platte River Run Park – Stability Analysis Summary

# <u>Hydrology</u>

Flow rates and the frequency of water flowing in the river are critical to the:

- Design of in-river and bank improvements
- Flood Analysis, and
- Selection of vegetation

Several hydrologic analysis methods were performed to determine the hydrology for different design aspects. Exceedence analysis was performed to determine target design low/typical flows. Flow frequency analysis was conducted using the Pearson Log III Regression Method to determine key peak events, such as 1.5-year, 2-year and 5-year return intervals. River flow data from USGS stream gage #06710247 located in the Union Reach near the City of Englewood raw water intake was used in both methods. High flow hydrology, such as the 100-year event, that was developed for design of the original USACE FRRP facilities and from the FEMA Flood Insurance Study (FIS) were used for evaluation of flood conveyance (see USACE Hydraulic and FEMA Hydraulic Sections). Tables 1 and 2 provide a summary of the hydrology results.

During discussions with USACE, the Authorized 100-year flow is not clear. There are two 100-year flows that have been identified for the project reach: 13,500 cfs and 18,000 (both at Oxford Avenue). According to the revised hydrology from 1979 presented in the supplemental report titled "Phase 1 SUPP. To D.M. PC-20 Exhibit "A" – 4<sup>th</sup> Ind." to the "South Platte River, Colorado Chatfield Dam and Lake Supplement No. 1 Design Memorandum No. PC-20 Phase 1 Report Downstream Channel Improvement" dated December 1976, it appears that the 100-year flood flow for the reach is 16,400 cfs upstream of Oxford and 18,000 cfs downstream of Oxford. These flows are consistent with one of the flow data profiles in the HEC-2 files. However, a Section 1135 Report titled "Project Modifications for Improvement of the Environment, Hydraulic Analysis, Chatfield Downstream Channel Improvement, South Platte River" dated August 2003 used 13,500 cfs. In addition, 13,500 cfs is 100-year flow in the current FEMA FIS. The flood analysis evaluated both flows as requested by USACE.

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Flow Frequency Event	Flow (cfs)	Source
1-yr	800	Stream Gage/Pearson Log III
1.5-yr	1,128	Stream Gage/Pearson Log III
2-yr	1,434	Stream Gage/Pearson Log III
5-yr	2,030	Stream Gage/Pearson Log III
Capacity of Channel D/S of		
Chatfield Reservoir	5,000	USACE Design Hydrology
100-yr @ Union Avenue	11,500	FEMA FIS Hydrology
100-yr @ Oxford Avenue	13,500	FEMA FIS Hydrology
100-yr @ Union Avenue	16,400	USACE Design Hydrology
100-yr @ Oxford Avenue	18,000	USACE Design Hydrology

Table 1 – South Platte River Run Park Flow Frequency Event Summary

 Table 2 – South Platte River Run Park Typical Flow Hydrology Summary

	Average						
	Daily	10%	90%				
	Flow	Exceed.	Exceed.	Days	Days	Days	Days
Month	(cfs)	Flow (cfs)	Flow (cfs)	(Q>200cfs)	(Q>400cfs)	(Q>800cfs)	(Q>2000cfs)
Jan.	31	66	10	0	0	0	0
Feb.	44	88	12	0	0	0	0
Mar.	96	194	12	3	1	1	0
Apr.	215	458	22	11	4	2	0
May	401	914	28	18	9	4	1
Jun.	361	881	40	18	9	3	0
Jul.	272	589	24	15	8	1	0
Aug.	191	409	18	13	3	0	0
Sep.	77	176	16	2	0	0	0
Oct.	64	152	18	1	0	0	0
Nov.	42	100	10	0	0	0	0
Dec.	32	72	11	0	0	0	0
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Releases from Chatfield Reservoir are a primary source of water to the project reach. The Chatfield Reservoir Storage Reallocation project, currently in planning, has the potential to change operations and flow releases from the reservoir. According to the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) dated June 2012, "The primary objective of the reallocation is to help enable water providers to supply water to local users, mainly municipal, industrial, and agricultural needs, in response to rapidly increasing demand." Four alternatives are presented in the draft EIS including a no action alternative (Alternative 1). 20,600 acre-feet of flood storage capacity in the reservoir would be reallocated for water supply in the "tentatively Recommended Plan" (Alternative 3). In

order to store additional water, it appears that in general flow releases to the downstream South Platte River in April, May and June would be reduced. Water releases in July would increase slightly. According to the draft EIS, "the magnitude of differences in downstream flow between the alternatives (1 and 3) would be insignificant". Analysis in the Draft EIS suggests that the mean annual outflow from the Reservoir into the South Platte River for Alternative 1 would range from approximately 56.2 to 780.4 cfs compared to 54.2 to 759.3 cfs for Alternative 3.

#### **Drop Structures**

New and modified existing drop structures were designed per the "Urban Storm Drainage Criteria Manual" by UDFCD dated June 2001 Revised April 2008. Hydraulic conditions, such as drop, depth, and velocity, were determined with a HEC-RAS one-dimensional hydraulic model, TUFLOW two-dimensional hydraulic model, and physical model study. Headwater-Tailwater Curves were calculated for each drop structure (Attached). A seepage analysis was performed using the Lane's Weight Creep Method with recommended creep ratios from CTL Thompson. Sheet pile will be used to control seepage and reduce uplift pressures at each drop structure. Uplift analysis using flow nets was performed for the drop structures. Drop structures are armored with grouted boulders and reinforced concrete due to high shear stresses and impact forces related to supercritical flow and hydraulic jump formations. The banks downstream of each drop are armored to 60% of the hydraulic jump length (UDFCD criteria) as calculated based on "Open Channel Hydraulics" by Chow 1959. Subsurface grouted boulders and self-launching riprap are designed along the downstream edge of structure for scour protection. Calculations are included in available upon request. Table 3 below is a summary of drop structure seepage analysis results.

Drop Structure	Subsurface Cutoff Depth Required	Cutoff Type
Drop #1	8 feet	Sheet Pile
Drop #2	10 feet	Sheet Pile
Drop #3	6 feet	Sheet Pile
Drop #4	6 feet	Sheet Pile
Drop #5	8 feet	Sheet Pile
Drop #6	8 feet	Sheet Pile

# Scour Analysis

A scour analysis was conducted for drop structures, retaining walls, bridge abutments, and bridge piers. Scour was calculated based on "Computing Degradation and Local Scour Technical Guideline for Bureau of Reclamation" by Pemberton and Lara dated January 1984 (Pemberton) and "Hydraulic Engineering Circular No. 18 Evaluating Scour at Bridges Fifth Edition" by U.S. Department of Transportation dated April 2012 (HEC 18). Scour at the base (toe) of in-river

structures were evaluated using both regime-type and empirically developed methods in Pemberton. As recommended, an average of the expected scour from several methods was used to determine design scour depths. Three drop structures were used to calculate scour and results used for the other three drops with similar hydraulic conditions. Union Avenue and Oxford Avenue bridge abutments, proposed trail underpass walls (at bridges), and piers were evaluated by Pemberton and HEC 18. Scour calculations are available upon request. Table 4 is a summary of design scour depths.

Design Element	Scour Depth (ft)	Analysis Method
Oxford Bridge - Trail Underpass	16.5	USBR - Average of Neill, Lacey, Blench
Retaining Walls	18	FHWA - Laursen (Clear Water)
	17.5	Design Scour Depth
	13	USBR - Jain
Oxford Bridge Pier	11	FHWA - HEC-18
	12	Design Scour Depth
Union Bridge - Trail Underpass	13	USBR - Average of Neill, Lacey, Blench
Retaining Walls	12.5	FHWA - Laursen (Clear Water)
	13	Design Scour Depth
	6	USBR - Jain
Union Bridge Pier	7	FHWA - HEC-18
	7	Design Scour Depth
Drop Structures – 1 foot	12	USBR - Average of Zimmerman & Maniak, Lacey, Blench, Neill (average depth excluding outliers)
Drop Structures – 2 foot	13	USBR - Average of Schoklitsch, Zimmerman & Maniak, Neill, Blench (average depth excluding outliers)
Drop Structures – 3 foot	15	USBR - Average of Schoklitsch, Zimmerman & Maniak, Neill, Lacey, Blench (average depth excluding outliers)

 Table 4 – Scour Analysis Results

Subsurface grouted boulders, sheet pile, self-launching riprap, and armoring have been designed to protect proposed in-river structures from scour. Bridge abutments and piers have been armored for scour depths calculated. MWDG and UDFCD had a meeting in spring of 2015 to discuss scour protection and design approach for channel banks and drop structures. The UDFCD design standard for scour protection on the South Platte River is 5 feet below the toe of slopes and pool bottom at drop structures. UDFCD confirmed the use of their typical scour standard for River Run Park drop structures and bank protection. Toe protection for drop structures with less than 3 feet of hydraulic drop has been designed with grouted boulders extending 5 feet below the pool bottom

with self-launching riprap for additional protection. At the largest drop structure (3 feet of hydraulic drop) grouted boulders have been extended to a depth of 7 feet below the pool with self-launching riprap. Bank protection, such as riprap and sloped grouted boulders, has been extended 5 feet below the toe of bank.

# Bank Stabilization

Existing bank protection in the project reach is achieved with riprap armoring along both banks to approximately the 5,000 cfs river level. The following is a summary of proposed bank stabilization:

- Existing riprap will remain or, where disturbed, be replaced with riprap.
- Additional riprap will be added as necessary to maintain bank protection to the 5,000 cfs level (USACE channel protection standard).
- Based on UDFCD reports the existing riprap extends approximately 3-5' below the channel bottom at the toe of the banks. In areas where the existing channel bottom and proposed channel bottom are at the same elevation no additional toe riprap will be added.
- Riprap will be extended 5' below proposed toe of bank in areas of channel lowering per UDFCD toe protection criteria on the South Platte River.
- All riprap will be buried and planted (non-woody vegetation) per UDFCD standard details.
- Union Avenue Bridge Grouted terraced boulders will be used for stabilization along the north bank under the bridge deck
- Oxford Avenue Bridge Riprap will be used for stabilization

# <u>Riprap Sizing</u>

Riprap was designed per the UDFCD Criteria Manual and HEC-11 method by the Federal Highway Administration. HEC-RAS and TUFLOW hydraulic models were used for evaluation of riprap. Type "M" riprap (d50 = 12") is currently used for bank stabilization. Calculations suggest smaller riprap is allowable. However, Type "M" riprap was selected to provide a higher level of protection for bank armoring. Riprap will be used for local scour at modified stormwater outfalls and was sized per UDFCD criteria.

# Emergent Bench Stabilization

Low flow channel benches (emergent benches) will be stabilized with a combination of vegetation and boulder jetty structures. MWDG worked with UDFCD to develop an armoring approach that balances maintenance, risk, capital cost, and natural function. A summary of the armoring approach is as follows:

- The flood channel (overall river channel) is armored with buried riprap along banks
- Movement and scour of benches was deemed acceptable by UDFCD during high flow events (overtopping of benches)
- Balancing capital costs of armoring with maintenance cost was considered after high flow events (2-year+) maintenance of benches will likely be required
- Boulder jetties at intervals between 100 to 300 feet were selected for bench stabilization
- Jetty scour protection to 5 foot depth

• Vegetation is needed for bench stability between jetties – level of scour protection from vegetation is dependent on timing of flows and density and type of vegetation established

-----END MEMORANDUM------











Drop #6 100-yr Drop = 0.2' Proposed Headwater/Tailwater Curve 5286.0 5284.0 2.08 × 2.00 <u>г</u> 1.90 
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Appendix D Support Letters



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June 12, 2012

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Colorado Water Conservation Board

Joe Busto Colorado Water Conservation Board 1313 Sherman Street, Suite 721 Denver, CO 80203

Dear Joe,

This letter is in regards to the project planned by the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) and Urban Drainage and Flood Control District to conduct habitat and recreation enhancements in the CWCB reach of the South Platte River; this reach is bordered on the south by South Platte Park and on the north by the confluence with Bear Creek. One of the proposed phases of this project is the redesign of the boat chutes at Union Avenue, which in their current form inhibit fish passage due to the extensive use of concrete.

Fish species present in this reach include native species such as fathead minnow, longnose dace, white sucker, green sunfish, channel catfish, Johnny darter, and Iowa darter. Gamefish species present include rainbow and brown trout, walleye, and smallmouth bass. Although no gamefish are stocked in this reach, they move into it from other stocked waters such as Chatfield and Bear Creek reservoirs, and the South Platte River within South Platte Park. Every year we hear more reports from anglers that they catch quality size bass and trout from the CWCB reach and further downstream within Denver city limits. In fact, the City of Denver has just received a Fishing Is Fun grant to improve fish habitat adjacent to the Grant Frontier and Overland parks. After these habitat improvements are completed, Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) will begin stocking catchable rainbow trout in this section.

Because of the current use of the CWCB reach by native and game species and the planned future stocking in the City of Denver, your proposed redesign of the Union boat chutes will dovetail nicely with Denver's upcoming habitat improvement project. In the long run, your project will provide one more step in the overall improvement of the aquatic environment in the metro reach of the South Platte. Paul Winkle, the CPW Aquatic Biologist for the Denver metro area has already met with you on this subject and is willing to stay involved in technical consulting as your project progresses.

If you have any further questions, you can contact Paul Winkle at (303) 916-1043.

Sincerely,

Steve Yamashita Northeast Region Manager

Cc: Kathi Green, Ken Kehmeier, Liza Hunholz, Melanie Kaknes, file

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March 21, 2017

Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund Grant Colorado Water Conservation Board 1313 Sherman Street, Suite 721 Denver, CO 80203

Dear Grant Committee:

South Suburban Park and Recreation District continues to partner with the Cities of Englewood and Sheridan, Arapahoe County Open Space, and Urban Drainage and Flood Control District (UDFCD) on making environmental improvements to the South Platte River Corridor from C-470 to Bates Avenue.

The goals of the River Run Phase III project are to improve aquatic, wetland, and riparian habitat along a central reach of the South Platte River between Union and Oxford Avenues, while maintaining the 100-year flood conveyance capacity.

In order for this project to become a reality, additional funding is needed to restore the natural beneficial functions of the South Platte River. Without additional funding for this project it will not come to fruition.

The District strongly endorses Urban Drainage and Flood Control District's effort in obtaining funding from the Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund Grant through the Colorado Water Conservation Board for the River Run Phase III project.

Sincerely,

Rob Hanna, Executive Director

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Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund Grant Colorado Water Conservation Board 1313 Sherman Street, Suite 721 Denver, CO 80203

March 21, 2017

**Dear Grant Committee Members:** 

The City of Englewood endorses the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District's effort in obtaining the Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund Grant for the River Run Phase III project. The Cities of Englewood and Sheridan, along with South Suburban Parks and Recreation District, Arapahoe County Open Spaces and Urban Drainage have partnered together to develop a river improvement plan to increase river access, improve water quality and improve fish and wildlife habitat in the South Platte River between Union Avenue and Oxford Avenue.

More specifically, the River Run Phase III project will improve aquatic, wetland and riparian habitat along this important stretch of the South Platte River. The habitat improvements will not adversely impact the 100 year flood plain.

The City of Englewood is committed to this project as a recreational amenity for the citizens of the surrounding area and for the restoration of riparian and fishery habitat in and along the river.

The River Run Phase III project leverages tax dollars from the above mentioned local entities to provide a great natural resources benefit to the communities that the South Platte River serves.

Sincerely,

Wrothy Htargnove

Dorothy Hargrove Director of Parks, Recreation and Library Services



Library 303-762-2560 Broken Tee Golf Course 303-762-2670

Shannon Carter | Director



March 28, 2017

Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund Grant Colorado Water Conservation Board 1313 Sherman Street, Suite 721 Denver, CO 80203

Dear Grant Committee:

Arapahoe County Open Spaces endorses the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District's (UDFCD) effort to obtain a Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund Grant through the CWCB for the River Run Phase III project. The Cities of Englewood and Sheridan, South Suburban Parks and Recreation District, Arapahoe County Open Spaces, and UDFCD have partnered together to develop a comprehensive river improvement plan to better oversee the South Platte River through the City of Sheridan.

The goals of River Run Phase III are to improve aquatic, wetland, and riparian habitat along a central reach of the South Platte River, while maintaining the 100-year conveyance. We've already seen great success along the South Platte with River Run Phases I and II. Both the public and environment have benefited immensely.

The River Run Park Phase III project is an excellent example of leveraging resources and agencies acting in concert to furnish the greatest benefit of river management to the community. Arapahoe County Open Spaces is proud to be part of this project, is committed to the restoration of the natural, and beneficial functions of the river. We invite you to be a part of this amazing effort.

Sincerely,

Shannon Carter, Director

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March 24, 2017

Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund Grant **Colorado Water Conservation Board** 1313 Sherman Street, Suite 721 Denver, CO 80203

**Dear Grant Committee:** 

The City of Sheridan wholeheartedly endorses the Urban Drainage and Flood Control District's (UDFCD) effort to obtain the Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund Grant through the CWCB for the River Run Phase III project. The Cities of Sheridan and Englewood along with the South Suburban Parks and Recreation District, Arapahoe County Open Space, and UDFCD have partnered together to develop a river improvement plan to better oversee the South Platte River through the City of Sheridan. This partnership has been in place and working wonders on the River for over five years.

Phases I and II of the River Run Project have been a huge success for our communities both from an environmental and economic development prospective. The goals of River Run Phase III are to improve aquatic, wetland, and riparian habitat along a central reach of the South Platte River, while maintaining the 100-year conveyance. Not only will this improve the health of the river, but also the aesthetic value of the South Platte River as a central focus of the Cities of Sheridan and Englewood.

The River Run Park Phase III project is an excellent example of leveraging resources (county, municipal, non-profit to name a few) and agencies acting in concert to furnish the greatest benefit of river management to the community. Thank you for being a part of this River effort.

The City of Sheridan is proud to be part of this project, and is fully committed to the restoration of the natural and beneficial functions of the river.

Sincerely,

C. Devin Granbery **City Manager** 

Appendix E Scope of Work and Budget

# Scope of Work

**GRANTEE and FISCAL AGENT** Urban Drainage and Flood Control District

PRIMARY CONTACT Laura Kroeger

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**PROJECT NAME** River Run Project

GRANT AMOUNT \$450.000

# INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

River Run Park is a multi-purpose project that will improve river resiliency, recreation, habitat, and access/connectivity, while maintaining flood protection for surrounding communities. The project is approximately 1 mile in length along and in the South Platte River from 1000 feet north of Oxford Avenue to 500 feet south of Union Avenue. Phase III (phase requesting CWCB funding) is all in-channel work from the Oxford Avenue bridge south approximately 2000 feet. It lies within a USACE Flood Risk Reduction Project (FRRP) called "Chatfield Downstream Channel Improvement Project". The project is located primarily in the City of Sheridan, Colorado. A small portion of the project at the southern end at Union Avenue is in the City of Englewood.

Proposed improvements have been designed to meet the project goals. The following is a summary of improvements:

- Channel Stabilization Replace two failing existing grade control drop structures built as part of the original flood control project with a series of six lower drop structures that are boatable and more conducive to fish movement.\*
- Low Flow Thalweg Create a narrow low flow channel for increased depth, velocity and sinuosity "creek within a river" to improve habitat, aesthetics, and recreation.\*
- Regional trail along east bank Including two underpasses at Oxford & Union Avenues
- Storm Outfalls Modify outfalls for regional trail
- Raw Water Intake Modify City of Englewood raw water intake at Union Avenue.
- Bank Stabilization Buried riprap, boulder jetties, and terraced boulders\*
- Access to River Bottom Local access trails into the channel, ADA access north of Oxford Avenue.

- View Areas Cobble bar areas, terraced boulder seating areas, river overlooks.
- Vegetation Emergent bench w/ riparian and aquatic plants in the channel and on banks, upland plants on upper banks and out of channel (Figure 2).\*
- Trailheads Parking and gathering areas for trail and river users north of Oxford Avenue.

\*Included in Phase III work.

# **OBJECTIVES**

The identified project goals are:

- Maintain Flood Conveyance & Protection
- Channel Stability Replace two failed drop structures
- Improve System Resiliency Incorporate more natural stream elements that reflect a healthy river system (habitat, sediment transport, fish movement, water quality)
- Recreational Enhancement In-river and upland
- Connectivity Access throughout the river corridor and to the river's edge
- Improve Aesthetics Natural river appearance

# TASKS

# TASK 1 – Design

# Description of Task

Analysis and design for all phases of River Run Park has been completed by a Colorado professionally licensed engineer. Analysis work included flood conveyance analysis, hydraulic modeling (1D, 2D, and physical model), structural analysis of concrete structures, stability analysis for drop structures and channel stabilization improvements, scour analysis, and stormwater detention and treatment. Design drawings were prepared to detail proposed improvements for construction. Specifications were prepared defining proposed materials and construction requirements.

# Method/Procedure

Design was completed in progressive phases. Alternatives analysis was initially completed to identify the preferred alternative. Preliminary design was then completed for the preferred alternative. Initial permitting consultation was pursued with the preliminary design documents. Final design was completed including construction documents – design drawings and specifications.

# Deliverable

Construction documents – design drawings and specifications Technical memorandums and reports

# **TASK 2 – Construction Management**

# Description of Task

Management by design team during construction phase of project. Work includes review of progress payments, review of construction submittals, construction observation, materials testing, soils testing, progress meetings, responses to Requests for Information (RFIs), clarifications, and record drawings.

#### Method/Procedure

Part time during construction activities. Procedures and methods will be typical to the industry.

# Deliverable

Clarifications, sketches, responses to questions/RFIs Daily Observation Reports (including site photos) Testing Reports – Soils and concrete Record Drawings

# **TASK 3 – General Construction**

#### Description of Task

Work completed by the Contractor (Naranjo Civil Constructors) including mobilization, dewatering, temporary access, on-site office, overheads, bonds, and insurance.

#### Method/Procedure

Methods/procedures for most of the work completed as part of this task are not applicable. Dewatering will be accomplished in phases for improvements constructed in the river. Surface water will be controlled by sheet pile coffer dams that isolate the work area. Coffers will first be installed on one side of the river effectively diverting the river to the other side. Seepage and infiltration flow into the work area will be pumped to a settlement basin before being discharged back to the river (State Permit obtained for discharge). Improvements will be constructed in a "dry" condition. Once the improvements are built the river is "flipped" – water then will flow over the improvements just constructed. The opposite side is dewatered similarly and improvements built. Temporary dewatering structures are removed once the full river width improvements are completed.

Deliverable Constructed Project.

# **TASK 4 – Erosion and Sediment Control**

#### Description of Task

Installation of Best Management Practices (BMPs) for controlling erosion and sediment from entering water ways or leaving the site. A Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP) has been prepared for the project. BMPs proposed include sheet pile coffer dams with settlement basins for pumped discharges, silt fence, waddles, vehicle tracking pads, concrete washout areas, stockpile stabilization, erosion control blanketing, hydromulch, and re-vegetation.

#### Method/Procedure

Erosion and sediment control procedures will be per the project SWMP, BMPs, and State of Colorado Stormwater Discharge Associated with Construction Activities permit (CORO30000).

# Deliverable

Installation, maintenance, monitoring, SWMP documentation and eventual removal.

# TASK 5 – Earthwork

# Description of Task

Placement and compaction of fill, excavation, loading, stockpiling, hauling, and off-site disposal of soils.

# Method/Procedure

Per project specifications. Compaction requirements vary – structural, open spaces/landscaped areas, etc. All excess soil will be hauled offsite and disposed of.

Deliverable Constructed project.

# **TASK 6 – Drop Structures**

# Description of Task

Structures that span the river and control channel grade, limit degradation, provide recreation, and provide stabilization. Drop structures will be constructed with large boulders, reinforced concrete, grout, sheet pile (subsurface cutoffs), and riprap.

# Method/Procedure

Drop structures will be constructed in a "dry" condition using dewatering measures (see Task 3 – Dewatering). Sheet pile is driven to design depths then large boulders are placed individually using an excavator. Grout is then placed around boulders using a concrete pumper truck and hose. Grout is vibrated to fill all voids between boulders and finished grade. Grout will be minimized to the extent practical. A center low-flow notch or chute will be constructed of reinforced sculpted and colored concrete to mimic native bedrock. Riprap mixed with on-site soils is placed along the downstream toe for scour protection.

<u>Deliverable</u> Completed drop structures (4).

# TASK 7 – Jetties

# Description of Task

River structures jutting part way across the channel that stabilize the proposed low flow channel and emergent benches (floodplain terraces), and provide fish habitat. Jetties will be constructed of large boulders, grout (only portions in active flow), and riprap (below the surface).
## Method/Procedure

Dewatering, boulder, grout, and riprap placement procedure same as Task 6 – Drop Structures. Boulders on banks and on emergent benches will be buried and planted.

## Deliverable

Completed Jetty Structures (11).

## **TASK 8 – Channel Stabilization**

## Description of Task

USACE requires longitudinal channel stabilization along both banks up to a 5,000 cfs water surface elevation. The proposed project will install riprap to meet this criteria. For scour protection, riprap will be placed along bank toes to a depth of 5 feet. All channel riprap will be buried with on-site soils and planted.

## Method/Procedure

Construction areas will be dewatered (see Task 3 – Dewatering). Riprap will be mixed with onsite soils, placed, and compacted in place. Existing exposed riprap will be buried with soil. All riprap above water line will be planted.

<u>Deliverable</u> Completed channel stabilization.

## TASK 9 – Vegetation

## Description of Task

Native vegetation will be planted in the channel throughout the project including upland, riparian, and wetland zones. Woody vegetation in the river channel is not allowed by the USACE (Flood Readiness Branch). All vegetation below the 100-year flood water surface elevation will be herbaceous or grasses. Trees will be planted above the 100-year water level.

## Method/Procedure

Once all in-river and bank construction is finished vegetation work will begin. Top soil will be placed and fine grading completed. Vegetation will be installed by seeding, planting wetland plugs, or individual plantings. Erosion control blanket will be installed. Temporary irrigation will be provided as necessary for establishment.

## Deliverable

Vegetation in river channel.

## **REPORTING AND FINAL DELIVERABLE**

Reporting: The applicant shall provide the CWCB a progress report every 6 months, beginning from the date of the executed contract. The progress report shall describe the completion or partial completion of the tasks identified in the statement of work including a description of any major issues that have occurred and any corrective action taken to address these issues.

Final Deliverable: At completion of the project, the applicant shall provide the CWCB a final report that summarizes the project and documents how the project was completed. This report may contain photographs, summaries of meetings and engineering reports/designs.

## **Funding Source**

Source of Funds	Hold in Trust and Agency Account	Budgeted, Add Sept 2017	Grant Request	Total
UDFCD	\$1,471,000	\$1,050,000		\$2,521,000
Arapahoe County	\$846,000	\$698,500		\$1,544,500
City of Sheridan	\$185,000	\$0		\$185,000
Trout Unlimited		\$10,000		
CWCB			\$439,500	\$439,500
TOTALS	\$2,502,000	\$1,758,500	\$439,500	\$4,700,000

## **Budget & Timeline Table**

			Target				
		Target Start	Completion		<b>Other Funding</b>	<b>Other Funding</b>	
Task	Description	Date	Date	CWCB Funds	Cash*	In-Kind*	Total
1	Design	Jan-13	May-15		\$460,000.00		\$460,000.00
2	Construction Management	Oct-17	Jul-18		\$460,000.00		\$460,000.00
3	General Construction (mobilization, dewatering)	Oct-17	Jul-18		\$900,000.00		\$900,000.00
4	Erosion and Sediment Control	Oct-17	Jul-18		\$40,000.00		\$40,000.00
5	Earthwork	Nov-17	Apr-18		\$300,000.00		\$300,000.00
6	Drop Structures	Dec-17	May-18		\$1,600,000.00		\$1,600,000.00
7	Jetties	Dec-17	May-18		\$300,000.00		\$300,000.00
8	Channel stabilization	Dec-17	May-18	\$400,000.00	\$0.00		\$400,000.00
9	Vegetation	Apr-18	Jul-18	\$39,500.00	\$200,500.00		\$240,000.00
	TOTALS			\$439,500.00	\$4,260,500.00		\$4,700,000.00

This table is a guide. Variations may be submitted. For example, if a task includes purchase of materials, a column that identifes cost per unit should be included.

\*Please include new columns for different sources of cash and/or in-kind funding sources. Identify the funding source.

Appendix F Contract Materials

## **Grant Agreement**

The agreement is made \_\_\_\_\_\_ (date) between the Department of Natural Resources, Colorado Water Conservation Board, 1313 Sherman Street, #721, Denver, CO 80203 hereinafter referred to as the "State" and \_\_\_\_\_\_, hereinafter referred to as the "Sponsor" or "Contractor".

## RECITALS

Authority exists in the Law and Funds have been budgeted, appropriated and otherwise made available, from FUND \_\_\_\_\_, APPR \_\_\_\_, ORG \_\_\_\_, AGENCY \_\_\_\_, OBJ \_\_\_\_, GBL \_\_\_\_\_, the sufficient unencumbered balance thereof remains available for payment of a total of \$\_\_\_\_\_, as Contract Encumbrance No. \_\_\_\_\_.

The agreement is entered into pursuant to the provisions of §37-60-122.2 (5) C.R.S.

The Colorado Water Conservation Board adopted Policy 15, effective September 12, 2002, outlining policies for consideration and approval of Fish and Wildlife Resource Fund Grant Applications.

The required approval, clearance and coordination have been accomplished from and with appropriate agencies.

### **Grant Award**

Award is hereby made to the Sponsor in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (approved grant amount) for performance of the scope of work (Scope of Work), which is attached as Exhibit A.

### **Terms and Conditions**

1. Scope of Work

The Applicant will undertake the scope of work described in the attached scope of work.

#### 2. Performance Period

The period of performance will be from approval date shown in the controller's signature block until , unless otherwise amended and agreed upon by both parties.

#### 3. <u>Schedule of Payments</u>

- a. The State share of this project is not to exceed the approved grant amount list in **Grant Award** above, a maximum of \$
- b. Payment will be made upon submission of invoice and approval by the State, for work completed.
- c. The State reserves the right to inspect all projects prior to, during or at the conclusion of the project and/or periodically thereafter. A representative of the Applicant may be required to attend the inspection.

### 4. State's Limitation

The State's participation in the Project is limited to providing funds. The Sponsor is solely responsible for the development and implementation of the Project.

## 5. Financial Responsibility

- a. The Applicant shall maintain a complete record file of all receipts, expenditures and other written records which pertain to the use of the funds in the performance of this Agreement. Such record files shall be made available upon request at such reasonable times and places as agreeable to the parties of this Agreement.
- b. No later than thirty (30) working days after the date of completion of the Project or termination of the Agreement, the Applicant shall submit to the State a complete record of all receipts and expenditures and other written records related to the Project. Following the completion of the Project construction or termination of the Project, the State shall inspect the Project facilities and audit all expenditures made by the Applicant related to the Project as set forth above in "Scope of Work." If the State finds any expenditures were not made in accordance with this Agreement, the State may request, and the Applicant shall immediately refund monies used for those expenditures.

## 6. Assignment:

The rights and responsibilities of the parties under this contract shall not be assignable without the prior written approval of the State.

## 7. Successors and Assignments:

- a. All terms of the Agreement shall be binding on and inure to the benefit of the personal representatives, successors, or assigns of the parties.
- b. This Agreement is not assignable without written consent of both parties.

## 8. Integration of Understandings

This agreement is intended as the complete integration of all understandings between the parties. No prior or contemporaneous addition, deletion, or other amendment hereto shall have any force or effect whatsoever, unless embodied herein in writing. No subsequent novation, renewal, addition, deletion, or other amendment hereto shall have any force or effect unless embodied in a written Agreement executed and approved pursuant to the State Fiscal Rules.

## 9. Severability

To the extent that this Agreement may be executed and performance of the obligations of the parties may be accomplished within the intent of the Agreement, the terms of this Agreement are severable, and should any term or provision hereof be declared invalid or become inoperative for any reason, such invalidity or failure shall not affect the validity of any other term or provision hereof. The waiver of any breach of a term hereof shall not be construed as waiver of any other term.

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This agreement is subject to such modifications as may be required by changes in Federal law, or their implementing regulations. Any such required modification shall automatically be incorporated into and be part of these agreement on the effective dates of such change as if fully set forth herein. Except as provided above, no modification of this agreement shall be effective unless agreed to in writing by both parties in an amendment to this agreement that is properly executed and approved in accordance with applicable law.

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The State may terminate this contract at any time the State determines that the purposes of the distribution of State moneys under the contract would no longer be served by completion of the project. The State shall effect such termination by giving written notice of termination to the Sponsor and specifying the effective date thereof, at least twenty (20) days before the effective date of such termination. In that event, all finished or unfinished documents, data, studies, surveys, drawings, maps, models, photographs, and reports or other material prepared by the Sponsor under this contract shall, at the option of the State, be delivered by the

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Sponsor to the State and shall become the State's property. The Sponsor shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any satisfactory services and goods delivered.

If the contract is terminated by the State as provided herein, the Sponsor will be paid an amount which bears the same ratio to the total compensation as the services satisfactorily performed bear to the total services of the Sponsor covered by this contract, less payments of compensation previously made. If this contract is terminated for cause, or due to the fault of the Sponsor, the Termination for Cause or Default provision shall apply.

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Any inconsistency or conflict in this agreement shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

- a) Special Provisions of Agreement
- b) Grant Agreement
- c) Exhibit A

## SPECIAL PROVISIONS THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE EXECUTED THIS CONTRACT

CONTRACTOR: URBAN DRAWAGE : FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

STATE OF COLORADO:

Department of \_\_\_\_\_

BILL OWENS GOVERNOR

By VRBAN DRAWAGE & FLOOD CONTROL DISMICT BY Executive Director KEN, A MACKENZIE Legal Name of Contracting Entity

<u>84-0599780</u> Social Security Number or FEIN

KRO:

Signature of Authorized Officer

LEGAL REVIEW: Attorney General, Ken Salazar

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KEN A. MACKEN ZIE Print Name & Title of Authorized Officer

CORPORATIONS: (A corporate attestation is required.)

Attest (Seal) By\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Corporate Secretary or Equivalent, or Town/City/County Clerk) (Place corporate seal here, if available)

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#### STATE CONTROLLER:

Leslie M. Shenefelt

Ву\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_

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## POLICY NUMBER: 15

## SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES FUND APPLICATIONS FOR INSTREAM FLOWS AND RIVER RESTORATION PROJECTS.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 12, 2002

POLICY: The Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) will accept applications throughout the year for grants from the Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund for the appropriation or acquisition of instream flow water rights and river restoration construction projects to mitigate the effects of the construction, operation, and maintenance of water diversion, delivery, and storage facilities.

> Applications for mitigation grants from the Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund will be accepted for the following types of projects:

- 1. The appropriation or acquisition of water rights for the purpose of preserving or improving the natural environment to a reasonable degree to mitigate the impact of an existing water facility.
- 2. River restoration feasibility studies and construction projects that are designed to directly mitigate or significantly improve the environmental impacts of existing water facilities.

The CWCB may, in any year, approve grants to fund any project in the above categories that the Board deems worthy of funding through the Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund. In order to protect the long-term integrity of the Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund, instream flow and river restoration projects mitigating the impacts of existing water supply facilities will be limited to 40% of the Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund balance as of July 1, 2002.

The project applicant must have completed a fully executed funding contract with the CWCB within 2 years of the grant authorization by the CWCB, or the Board will consider de-authorization of the grant.

- PURPOSE: To establish an approval process for instream flow and river restoration construction project grants from the Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund.
- APPLICABILITY: This policy and procedure applies to applications for instream flow or river restoration construction project grants from the Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund.
- PROCEDURE: Prior to a Board meeting, the CWCB staff will prepare for the Board's consideration a summary of the technical, financial, and institutional characteristics of each proposed instream flow water right appropriation or acquisition, river restoration feasibility study or construction project. Each application will be reviewed for conformity with the goals and

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The Board will consider and CWCB staff will evaluate and recommend to the Board grant <u>applications for appropriation or acquisition of water</u> <u>rights</u> to be held by the Board based on the following project types:

- Instream flow water rights that assist in the administration of compact-entitled waters, or address problems relating to compact-entitled waters,
- Instream flow water rights that facilitate the resolution of federal water rights issues, and
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The Board will consider and CWCB staff will evaluate and recommend to the Board grant applications for <u>river restoration feasibility studies and</u> <u>construction projects</u> based on the following:

- Soundness of the project design, work plan or plan of study,
- The need for the proposed project,
- The need for financial assistance.
- Financial, technical, or administrative participation or coordination by all affected local governments.
- NOTE: Recognizing that future needs and responses to those needs cannot be predicted with certainty, the Colorado Water Conservation Board reserves the right to recommend for funding any instream flow acquisition, river restoration construction project, or study that it determines would mitigate the effects of an existing water supply facility and furthers the purposes of the Fish and Wildlife Resources Fund.

Approved by the CWCB September 12, 2002 Agenda Item #16a

# **37-60-122.2.** Fish and wildlife resources - legislative declaration - fish and wildlife resources fund - authorization.

(1) (a) The general assembly hereby recognizes the responsibility of the state for fish and wildlife resources found in and around state waters which are affected by the construction, operation, or maintenance of water diversion, delivery, or storage facilities. The general assembly hereby declares that such fish and wildlife resources are a matter of statewide concern and that impacts on such resources should be mitigated by the project applicants in a reasonable manner. It is the intent of the general assembly that fish and wildlife resources that are affected by the construction, operation, or maintenance of water diversion, delivery, or storage facilities should be mitigated to the extent, and in a manner, that is economically reasonable and maintains a balance between the development of the state's water resources and the protection of the state's fish and wildlife resources.

(b) Except as provided in this paragraph (b), the applicant for any water diversion, delivery, or storage facility which requires an application for a permit, license, or other approval from the United States shall inform the Colorado water conservation board, wildlife commission, and division of wildlife of its application and submit a mitigation proposal pursuant to this section. Exempted from such requirement are the Animas-La Plata project, the Two Forks dam and reservoir project, and the Homestake water project for which definite plan reports and final environmental impact statements have been approved or which are awaiting approval of the same, applicants for site specific dredge and fill permits for operations not requiring construction of a reservoir, and applicants for section 404 federal nationwide permits. If an applicant that is subject to the provisions of this section and the commission agree upon a mitigation plan for the facility, the commission shall forward such agreement to the Colorado water conservation board, and the board shall adopt such agreement at its next meeting as the official state position on the mitigation actions required of the applicant. In all cases the commission shall proceed expeditiously and, no later than sixty days from the applicant's notice, unless extended in writing by the applicant, make its evaluation regarding the probable impact of the proposed facility on fish and wildlife resources and their habitat and to make its recommendation regarding such reasonable mitigation actions as may be needed.

(c) The commission's evaluation and proposed mitigation recommendation shall be transmitted to the Colorado water conservation board. The board within sixty days, unless extended in writing by the applicant, shall either affirm the mitigation recommendation of the commission as the official state position or shall make modifications or additions thereto supported by a memorandum that sets out the basis for any changes made. Whenever modifications or additions are made by the board in the commission's mitigation recommendation, the governor, within sixty days, shall affirm or modify the mitigation recommendation which shall then be the official state position with respect to mitigation. The official state position, established pursuant to this subsection (1) shall be communicated to each federal, state, or other governmental agency from which the applicant must obtain a permit, license, or other approval.

(2) (a) Moneys transferred to the fish and wildlife resources fund pursuant to the provisions of section 37-60-121 (6) are hereby continuously appropriated to the Colorado water conservation board for the purpose of making grants pursuant to this subsection (2) and for offsetting the direct and indirect costs of the board for administering the grants. The interest earned from the investment of the moneys in the fund shall be credited to the fund.

(b) To the extent that the cost of implementing the mitigation recommendation made pursuant to subsection (1) of this section exceeds five percent of the costs of a water diversion, delivery, or storage facility, the board shall, upon the application of the applicant, make a mitigation grant to the applicant. The amount of the grant shall be sufficient to pay for the mitigation recommendation as determined by this section to the extent required above the applicant's five percent share. Any additional enhancement shall be at the discretion and within the means of the board. Under no circumstance shall the total amount of the grant exceed five percent of the construction costs of the project, or be disbursed in installments that exceed seventy percent of the amount of the grant during any fiscal year. Any mitigation cost in excess of ten percent of the construction costs of a project shall be borne by the applicant.

(c) An applicant may apply for an enhancement grant by submitting to the commission and the board an enhancement proposal for enhancing fish and wildlife resources over and above the levels existing without such facilities. The commission shall submit its recommendations on the proposal to the board for its consideration. The board, with the concurrence of the commission, may award a grant for fish and wildlife enhancement. Any such enhancement grant will be shared equally by the Colorado water conservation board's fish and wildlife resources fund and the division of wildlife's wildlife cash funds and other funds available to the division.

(d) For the purpose of this subsection (2), construction costs means the best estimate of the physical construction costs as fixed by the Colorado water conservation board as of the date of the grant application. Costs should be limited to design, engineering and physical construction and will not include the costs of planning, financing, and environmental documentation, mitigation costs, legal expenses, site acquisition or water rights.

(e) Species recovery grants from the fish and wildlife resources fund may be made for the purpose of responding to needs of declining native species and to those species protected under the federal "Endangered Species Act of 1973", 16 U.S.C. sec. 1531, et seq., as amended, in a manner that will carry out the state water policy.

(f) (Deleted by amendment, L. 2001, p. 692, § 28, effective May 30, 2001.)

(3) Decisions relating to the official state mitigation position made pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection (1) of this section shall not be subject to judicial review.

(4) The board shall distribute mitigation and enhancement grants reasonably and equitably among water basins toward the end that those projects sponsored by beneficiaries east of the continental divide receive fifty percent of the money granted and those projects sponsored by beneficiaries west of the continental divide receive fifty percent of the money granted under this section.

(5) The general assembly hereby recognizes the role instream flows and river restoration projects play in mitigating the effects of the construction, operation, and maintenance of water diversion, delivery, and storage facilities. Therefore, the Colorado water conservation board and the operators of existing water diversion, delivery, or storage facilities projects are hereby authorized to apply directly to the board for moneys for projects to carry out the purposes of this section. The board is authorized to grant such moneys if it finds that such projects will further the purposes of this section.

**Source: L. 87:** Entire section added, p. 1297, § 5, effective July 13. L. 97: (1)(a) and (2)(a) amended and (2)(e) added, p. 1600, § 1, effective June 4. L. 98: (2)(f) added, p. 1004, § 5, effective May 27. L. 99: (2)(a) amended, p. 628, § 36, effective August 4. L. 2001: (2)(a), (2)(c), (2)(e), and (2)(f) amended, p. 692, § 28, effective May 30. L. 2002: (5) added, p. 456, § 28, effective May 23.