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Colorado Water Conservation Board

Water Plan Grant Application

Instructions

To receive funding for a Water Plan Grant, applicant must demonstrate how the project, activity, or process (collectively referred to as “project”) funded by the CWCB will help meet the measurable objectives and critical actions in the Water Plan. Grant guidelines are available on the CWCB website.

If you have questions, please contact CWCB at (303) 866-3441 or email the following staff to assist you with applications in the following areas:

Supply and Demand Gap Projects: Gregory.Johnson@state.co.us

Water Storage Projects: Anna.Mauss@state.co.us

Conservation, Land Use Planning: Kevin.Reidy@state.co.us

Education & Innovation Activities: Mara.MacKillop@state.co.us

Agricultural Projects: Brent.Newman@state.co.us

Environmental & Recreation Projects: Linda.Bassi@state.co.us

Applicants interested in submitting an ‘Intent to Apply’ in the future are encouraged to check here ☐ and fill in all sections with the best information available at the time. Exhibits excluded.

This “Intent to Apply” will help CWCB prioritize Projects that are not ready for fully completed Water Plan Grant Application due to the initial timeframe and deadlines required.

Water Project Summary

Name of Applicant	Fruitland Irrigation Company	
Name of Water Project	Fruitland Irrigation Renovation Project	
CWP Grant Request Amount	\$	500,000 (\$350,000 Ag, \$150,000 Env/Rec)
Other Funding Sources <u>Reclamation</u>	\$	7,451,349
Other Funding Sources <u>WSRF</u>	\$	900,000
Applicant Funding Contribution	\$	1,514,205
Total Project Cost	\$	10,455,554



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Applicant & Grantee Information	
Name of Grantee(s)	Fruitland Irrigation Company
Mailing Address	34918 Fruitland Mesa Rd, Crawford, CO 81415
FEIN	84-0207921
Organization Contact	Danny Todd
Position/Title	President
Email	toddcattlecompany@gmail.com
Phone	970-589-5230
Grant Management Contact	Beth Karberg
Position/Title	Salinity Program Field Coordinator
Email	beth.karberg@state.co.us
Phone	970-399-8185
Name of Applicant (if different than grantee)	
Mailing Address	
Position/Title	
Email	
Phone	

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Description of Grantee/Applicant
Provide a brief description of the grantee's organization (100 words or less).
<p>Fruitland Irrigation Company (FIC) is a mutual ditch company and a non-profit corporation, established in 1901. There are currently 130 shareholders of FIC stock. The FIC operates and maintains the Fruitland Highline Canal - 17.7 miles of earthen ditch; the Gould Canal – 22 miles of earthen ditch, including 0.8 miles through two rock tunnels; and the Gould Reservoir with 10,168 acre-feet of decreed storage. Water is delivered via this system to irrigate an estimated 5900 acres on Fruitland Mesa, southwest of the town of Crawford, primarily used for cattle ranching and hay production.</p>

Type of Eligible Entity (check one)	
	Public (Government): Municipalities, enterprises, counties, and State of Colorado agencies. Federal agencies are encouraged to work with local entities. Federal agencies are eligible, but only if they can make a compelling case for why a local partner cannot be the grant recipient.
	Public (Districts): Authorities, Title 32/special districts (conservancy, conservation, and irrigation districts), and water activity enterprises.
✓	Private Incorporated: Mutual ditch companies, homeowners associations, corporations.
	Private Individuals, Partnerships, and Sole Proprietors: Private parties may be eligible for funding.
	Non-governmental organizations (NGO): Organization that is not part of the government and is non-profit in nature.
	Covered Entity: As defined in Section 37-60-126 Colorado Revised Statutes .

Type of Water Project (check all that apply)	
	Study
✓	Construction
	Identified Process or Program
	Other



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Category of Water Project (check all that apply)		
	Supply and Demand Gap Projects - Multi-beneficial projects and those projects identified in basin implementation plans to address the water supply and demand gap. (Applicable Exhibit A Task(s) _____)	
	Water Storage Projects - Projects that facilitate the development of additional storage, artificial recharge into aquifers, and dredging existing reservoirs to restore the reservoirs' full decreed storage capacity. (Applicable Exhibit A Task(s) _____)	
	Conservation and Land Use Planning Projects - Activities and projects that implement long-term strategies for conservation, land use, and drought planning. (Applicable Exhibit A Task(s) _____)	
	Engagement & Innovation Projects - Activities and projects that support water education, outreach, and innovation efforts. Please fill out the Supplemental Application available on the website. (Applicable Exhibit A Task(s) _____)	
✓	Agricultural Projects - Projects that provide technical assistance and improve agricultural efficiency. (Applicable Exhibit A Task(s) <u>2</u>)	
✓	Environmental & Recreation Projects – Projects that promote watershed health, environmental health, and recreation. (Applicable Exhibit A Task(s) <u>2</u>)	
	Other	Explain:



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Location of Water Project

Please provide the general county and coordinates of the proposed project below in **decimal degrees**. The Applicant shall also provide, in Exhibit C, a site map if applicable.

County/Counties	Gunnison, Delta
Latitude	38.603457
Longitude	-107.590801

Water Project Overview

Please provide a summary of the proposed water project (200 words or less). Include a description of the project and what the CWP Grant funding will be used for specifically (e.g., studies, permitting process, construction). Provide a description of the water supply source to be utilized or the water body affected by the project, where applicable. Include details such as acres under irrigation, types of crops irrigated, number of residential and commercial taps, length of ditch improvements, length of pipe installed, and area of habitat improvements, where applicable. If this project addresses multiple purposes or spans multiple basins, please explain.

The Applicant shall also provide, in Exhibit A, a detailed Statement of Work, Budget, Other Funding Sources/Amounts and Schedule.

The two rock wall tunnels of the Gould Canal were constructed over 100 years ago, and have eroded to the point that collapse is threatened. If either of these tunnels collapse, water delivery out of Gould Reservoir will be obstructed, prohibiting irrigation water delivery to the service area after their direct flow diversion right is out of priority, typically by mid-June. This project plans to install 2 miles of pipe from the reservoir outlet through the two tunnels. Cellular concrete will be injected between the pipe and rock walls to stabilize the tunnel and protect the pipe. Another 10.3 miles of earthen delivery ditches will be improved with PVC-geotech liner covered with shotcrete.

CWP funding will contribute to financing piping the upper portion of this project. As a substantial agricultural infrastructure renovation project, the CWP funds requested are an essential, though minor portion of project funding (< 5%). These state funds will assist Fruitland Irrigation Company to compete for major project funding through the Colorado River Salinity Control Program administered by the Bureau of Reclamation.



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Measurable Results		
To catalog measurable results achieved with the CWP Grant funds, please provide any of the following values as applicable:		
	New Storage Created (acre-feet)	
	New Annual Water Supplies Developed or Conserved (acre-feet), Consumptive or Nonconsumptive	
10,000 af	Existing Storage Preserved or Enhanced (acre-feet)	
	Length of Stream Restored or Protected (linear feet)	
1,856 af/yr	Efficiency Savings (indicate acre-feet/year OR dollars/year)	
	Area of Restored or Preserved Habitat (acres)	
	Quantity of Water Shared through Alternative Transfer Mechanisms	
	Number of Coloradans Impacted by Incorporating Water-Saving Actions into Land Use Planning	
5790 tons salt/yr 460 lbs Se/yr	Other	Explain: Gunnison & Colorado River water quality benefits, improving aquatic habitat for endangered species.

Water Project Justification
<p>Provide a description of how this water project supports the goals of Colorado's Water Plan, the most recent Statewide Water Supply Initiative, and the applicable Roundtable Basin Implementation Plan and Education Action Plan. The Applicant is required to reference specific needs, goals, themes, or Identified Projects and Processes (IPPs), including citations (e.g. document, chapters, sections, or page numbers).</p> <p>The proposed water project shall be evaluated based upon how well the proposal conforms to Colorado's Water Plan Framework for State of Colorado Support for a Water Project (CWP, Section 9.4, pp. 9-43 to 9-44;)</p>
<p>The Fruitland Irrigation Renovation Project is consistent with the following goals of the Colorado Water Plan (CWP Section 10, pgs. 3-4):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Supports a vibrant agricultural economy;• Improves the efficiency of water delivery infrastructure; and• Promotes a strong & healthy environment by improving water quality in the Colorado River, including aquatic habitat for the four endangered fish species. <p>This project supports of the Colorado Water Plan's identified Agricultural Critical Actions to (CWP Section 10, pg.10):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maintain agricultural viability; and• Support agricultural water conservation and efficiency. <p>By reducing salt and selenium contributions to the Smith Fork, tributary to the Gunnison River, this project supports Watershed Health, Environment and Recreation critical actions (CWP Section 10, pg. 12):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recover Imperiled Species by improving water quality in critical aquatic habitat occupied by endangered fish species;



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Water Project Justification

- Protect Healthy Environments;
- Promote Protection and Restoration of Water Quality.

Renovation of the Fruitland Irrigation delivery system helps meet the following water supply gaps identified in SWSI 2010:

- Current Agricultural Demand gap of 128,000 AFY in the Gunnison Basin, (SWSI 2010 ES-19);
- Projected 2050 Agricultural Demand gap of 116,000 AFY in the Gunnison Basin, (SWSI 2010 ES-22).

This project also meets the following draft Vision Goals identified in SWIS 2010 (ES-28):

- Meet agricultural demands;
- Optimize existing and future water supplies by - Minimizing non-beneficial consumptive use;
- Promote cost-effectiveness by: -Achieving benefits at the lowest cost, by leveraging state contributions to secure significant federal funding.

The Fruitland Irrigation Renovation Project is supported by the Gunnison Basin Roundtable, evidenced by the approval of the WSRF grant application on June 5, 2017. Repair of the Fruitland Tunnels is listed as a Tier 2 project in the 2015 Gunnison Basin Implementation Plan (Gunnison BIP pg. 103), though it is a critical project to maintain water delivery to over 5000 irrigated acres. Uncertainty in 2014 regarding the timing and construction readiness of the project was the only factor that deferred this project from the Tier 1 list. (PC Tom Alvey, Gunnison Basin Selection Committee chair)

The project supports the following Gunnison Basin Roundtable goals, (GBRT BIP pg 2):

1. Primary Goal: Protect existing water uses in the Gunnison Basin,
2. Discourage the conversion of productive agricultural land to all other uses,
3. Improve agricultural water supplies to reduce shortages,
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6. Improve water quality,
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8. Restore, maintain, and modernize critical water infrastructure.

The Fruitland Irrigation Renovation Project will contribute to the improved management of 10,000 AF of water stored in Gould Reservoir, maximizing the use of this existing storage, reducing transit losses of 1,856 AF/year and reducing the 128,000 AF agricultural water supply gap identified in the Gunnison Basin 2010 SWSI report.

This project meets both agricultural water supply and instream water quality needs, including aquatic habitat benefits from reduced salinity and selenium contributions impacting the endangered fish species in the Gunnison and Colorado Rivers. These benefits accrue to both the Gunnison and Colorado River basins within Colorado, as well as to all downstream water users within the Colorado River basin beyond our state line. Support for this project will come from at least five collaborating entities: Fruitland Irrigation Co, Bureau of Reclamation, Colorado River District, CDA and CWCB.



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Related Studies

Please provide a list of any related studies, including if the water project is complementary to or assists in the implementation of other CWCB programs.

Fruitland Irrigation Company, 2016 Feasibility Study, Applegate Group.

Fruitland Irrigation Company Water Management Plan, RHN Water Resources Consultants, 2002.

Previous CWCB Grants, Loans or Other Funding

List all previous or current CWCB grants (including WSRF) awarded to both the Applicant and Grantee. Include: 1) Applicant name; 2) Water activity name; 3) Approving RT(s); 4) CWCB board meeting date; 5) Contract number or purchase order; 6) Percentage of other CWCB funding for your overall project.

WSRF Basin & State Fund Grants

Fruitland Irrigation Company
Fruitland Irrigation Renovation Project
Gunnison Basin Roundtable approved June 5, 2017
CWCB consideration pending September 19-20, 2017
Approval and contract pending
WSRF funding is < 9% of total project costs

Water Project Loan

Fruitland Irrigation Company
Fruitland Irrigation Renovation Project
CWCB consideration pending September 19-20, 2017
Approval and contract pending
CWCB Loan 15% of total project costs

Water Project Loan

Fruitland Irrigation Company
Gould Reservoir Outlet Repair
CWCB approval 5/9/1989
Contract No. C153542
CWCB Loan provided 100% of project costs



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Taxpayer Bill of Rights

The Taxpayer Bill of Rights (TABOR) may limit the amount of grant money an entity can receive. Please describe any relevant TABOR issues that may affect your application.

As a private entity, the Fruitland Irrigation Company is not subject to TABOR limitations.

Submittal Checklist

✓	I acknowledge the Grantee will be able to contract with CWCB using the Standard Contract .
Exhibit A	
✓	Statement of Work ⁽¹⁾
✓	Budget & Schedule ⁽¹⁾ (<i>Spreadsheet</i>)
✓	Letters of Matching and/or Pending 3 rd Party Commitments ⁽¹⁾
Exhibit C	
✓	Map ⁽¹⁾
✓	Photos/Drawings/Reports
✓	Letters of Support (Support letter from Basin Roundtable encouraged)
	Certificate of Insurance (General, Auto, & Workers' Comp.)
	Certificate of Good Standing with Colorado Secretary of State ⁽²⁾
✓	W-9 ⁽²⁾
	Independent Contractor Form ⁽²⁾ (If applicant is individual, not company/organization)
Engagement & Innovation Grant Applicants ONLY	
	Engagement & Innovation Supplemental Application ⁽¹⁾

(1) Required with application.

(2) Required for contracting. While optional at the time of this application, submission can expedite contracting upon CWCB Board approval.



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Water Plan Grant - Exhibit A

Statement Of Work

Date:	July 24, 2017
Name of Applicant:	Fruitland Irrigation Company
Name of Water Project:	Fruitland Irrigation Renovation Project
Funding Source:	Agriculture & Environmental funds

Water Project Overview: Please provide a summary of the proposed water project (200 words or less). The same summary can be used from Page 5 of the CWP Grant Application.

The two rock wall tunnels of the Gould Canal were constructed over 100 years ago, and have eroded to the point that collapse is threatened. If either of these tunnels collapse, water delivery out of Gould Reservoir will be obstructed, prohibiting irrigation water delivery to the service area after their direct flow diversion right is out of priority, typically by mid-June. This project plans to install 2 miles of pipe from the reservoir outlet through the two tunnels. Cellular concrete will be injected between the pipe and rock walls to stabilize the tunnel and protect the pipe. Another 10.3 miles of earthen delivery ditches will be improved with PVC-geotech liner covered with shotcrete.

CWP funding will contribute to financing the piping portion of this project in Task 2. As a substantial agricultural infrastructure renovation project, the CWP funds requested are an essential, though minor portion of total project funding (< 5%). These state funds will assist Fruitland Irrigation Company to compete for major project funding through the Colorado River Basinwide Salinity Control Program administered by the Bureau of Reclamation. Application to the Basinwide Program will be submitted by November 14, 2017.

Objectives: List the objectives of the project.

1. Provide reliable irrigation water delivery;
2. Decrease seepage and evaporative water losses;
3. Improve water quality and endangered species habitat by decreasing salt and selenium contributions to the Colorado River system.



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Tasks
Provide a detailed description of each project task using the following format:
Task 1 – Pre-Construction Planning
Description of Task:
<p>Complete planning, design, and federal review requirements including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Final project design• Environmental Assessment• Cultural Resources Survey• Wildlife Habitat Mitigation Plan
Method/Procedure:
<p>After contracting with all funding agencies, or receipt of notice to proceed, consultants will be contracted to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Complete project design,• Complete Environmental Assessment for NEPA requirements,• Complete Wildlife Habitat mitigation plan,• Complete Cultural Resources survey.
Grantee Deliverable: Describe the deliverable the grantee expects from this task
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Project construction documents,2. Environmental Assessment report & record of decision,3. Cultural Resources survey report, SHPO and Reclamation approvals,4. Wildlife Habitat plan, budget, and maintenance plan.
CWCB Deliverable: Describe the deliverable the grantee will provide CWCB documenting the completion of this task
<p>Fruitland Irrigation Company will provide CWCB with project plans. Items 2-4 are requirements of federal funding, and will be provided to CWCB if requested. Status of all items will be noted in required progress reports.</p>



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Tasks
Provide a detailed description of each task using the following format:
Task 2 – Piping Canal Section 1: Iron Creek Canyon
Description of Task:
Installation of 48” HP Storm pipe (corrugated polypropylene dual wall, bell and gasket watertight pipe) in Gould Canal Section 1 (6,744 LF) from outlet of Gould Reservoir to inlet of Tunnel 1.
Method/Procedure:
Fruitland Irrigation Company will designate a project manager to coordinate and oversee the construction of this project. The consulting design engineer (Applegate Group) will also provide construction oversight. All construction will meet NRCS and Reclamation specifications.
Grantee Deliverable: Describe the deliverable the grantee expects from this task
Pipe installed in Gould Canal Section 1.
CWCB Deliverable: Describe the deliverable the grantee will provide CWCB documenting the completion of this task
Report documenting completion of Task 2.

Tasks
Provide a detailed description of each task using the following format:
Task 3 – Piping Tunnel 1
Description of Task:
Installation of 42” HP Storm pipe in Tunnel 1 (1643 LF), stabilization of pipe and tunnel walls with cellular concrete.
Method/Procedure:
Fruitland Irrigation Company will designate a project manager to coordinate and oversee the construction of this project. The consulting design engineer (Applegate Group) will also provide construction oversight. All construction will meet NRCS and Reclamation specifications.
Grantee Deliverable: Describe the deliverable the grantee expects from this task
Pipe installed in Tunnel 1.
CWCB Deliverable: Describe the deliverable the grantee will provide CWCB documenting the completion of this task



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Tasks
Report documenting completion of Task 3.

Tasks
Provide a detailed description of each task using the following format:
Task 4 – Piping Tunnel 2
Description of Task:
Installation of 42” pipe in Tunnel 2 (2,562 LF), stabilization of pipe and tunnel walls with cellular concrete.
Method/Procedure:
Fruitland Irrigation Company will designate a project manager to coordinate and oversee the construction of this project. The consulting design engineer (Applegate Group) will also provide construction oversight. All construction will meet NRCS and Reclamation specifications.
Grantee Deliverable: Describe the deliverable the grantee expects from this task
Pipe installed in Tunnel 2.
CWCB Deliverable: Describe the deliverable the grantee will provide CWCB documenting the completion of this task
Report documenting completion of Task 4.

Tasks
Provide a detailed description of each task using the following format:
Tasks 5-7 – Canal Lining
Description of Task:
Lining of Gould Canal sections 2-5, a total of 10.3 miles. Section 2 – 11,225 LF Section 3 – 7,434 LF Section 4 – 17,496 LF Section 5 – 18,472 LF
Method/Procedure:



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Tasks
Existing earthen canals will be cleared and prism prepared for lining. Geo-tech liner will be installed in the existing canal, with shotcrete cover. All construction will meet NRCS and Reclamation specifications.
Fruitland Irrigation Company will designate a project manager to coordinate and oversee the construction of this project. The consulting design engineer will also provide construction oversight.
Grantee Deliverable: Describe the deliverable the grantee expects from this task
Canal sections lined in compliance with NRCS and Reclamation standards.
CWCB Deliverable: Describe the deliverable the grantee will provide CWCB documenting the completion of this task
Report documenting completion of Tasks 5-7.

Tasks
Provide a detailed description of each task using the following format:
Task 9 – Wildlife Habitat Mitigation Implementation
Description of Task:
Construction and installation of wildlife habitat mitigation as defined in the Wildlife Habitat Mitigation plan developed in Task 1.
Method/Procedure:
An evaluation of pre-project wildlife habitat and a corresponding Wildlife Habitat Mitigation Plan will be developed by a project consultant during pre-construction activities, and approved by Reclamation staff. Habitat mitigation construction and installation will precede concurrent with project pipeline and canal lining construction. Annual maintenance, monitoring and reporting will occur per the plan and Reclamation requirements.
Grantee Deliverable: Describe the deliverable the grantee expects from this task
Wildlife Habitat developed per approved plan, Reclamation and USFWS approval of site development and mitigation implementation.
CWCB Deliverable: Describe the deliverable the grantee will provide CWCB documenting the completion of this task
Report documenting completion of Task 8.

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Budget and Schedule

This Statement of Work shall be accompanied by a combined Budget and Schedule that reflects the Tasks identified in the Statement of Work and shall be submitted to CWCB in excel format.

Reporting Requirements

Progress Reports: The applicant shall provide the CWCB a progress report every 6 months, beginning from the date of issuance of a purchase order, or the execution of a contract. The progress report shall describe the status 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. The CWCB may withhold reimbursement until satisfactory progress reports have been submitted.

Final Report: At completion of the project, the applicant shall provide the CWCB a Final Report on the applicant's letterhead that:

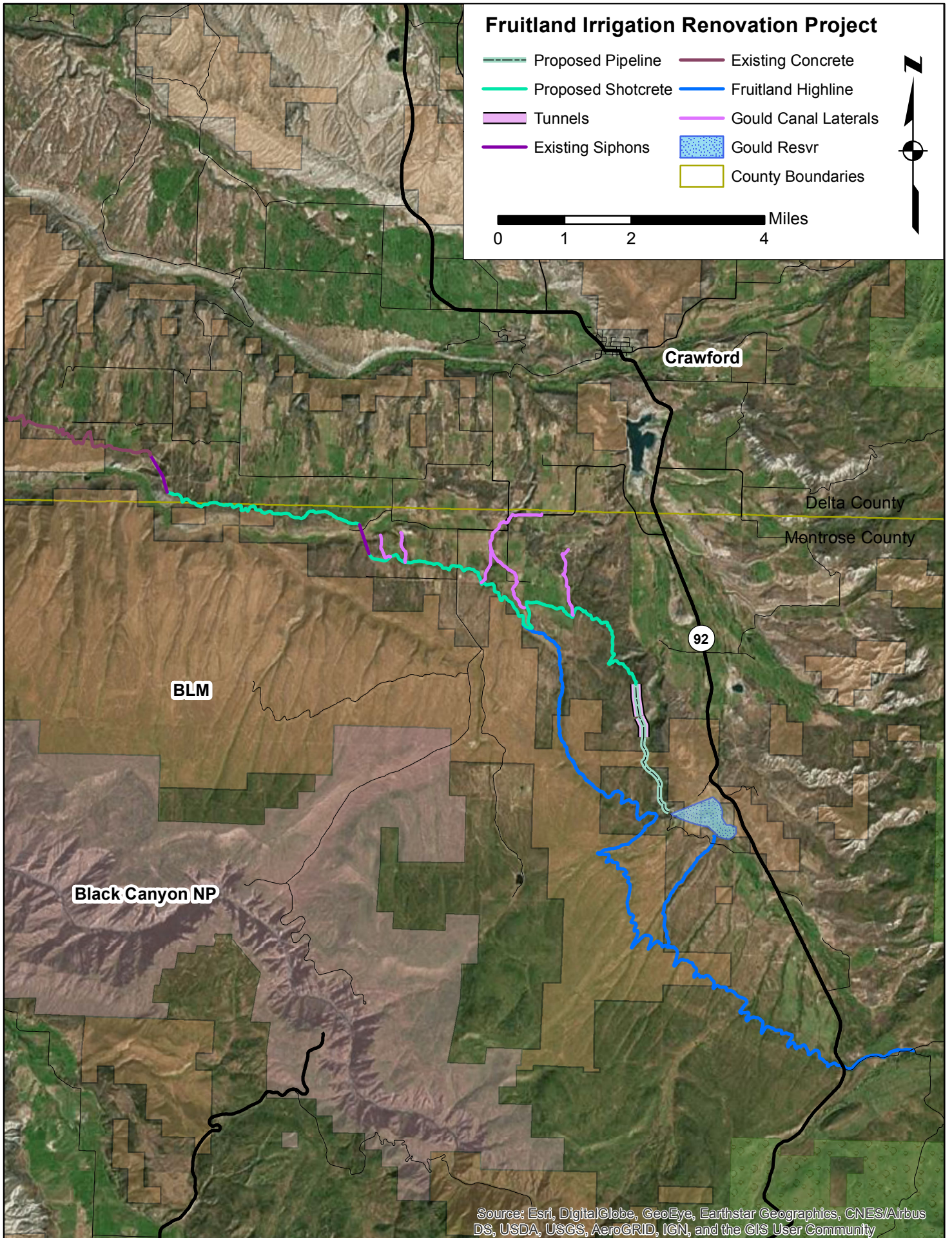
- Summarizes the project and how the project was completed.
- Describes any obstacles encountered, and how these obstacles were overcome.
- Confirms that all matching commitments have been fulfilled.
- Includes photographs, summaries of meetings and engineering reports/designs.

The CWCB will withhold disbursement the last 10% of the budget until the Final Report is completed to the satisfaction of CWCB staff. Once the Final Report has been accepted, and final payment has been issued, the purchase order or grant will be closed without any further payment.

Fruitland Irrigation Renovation Project

- Proposed Pipeline
- Proposed Shotcrete
- Tunnels
- Existing Siphons
- Existing Concrete
- Fruitland Highline
- Gould Canal Laterals
- Gould Resvr
- County Boundaries

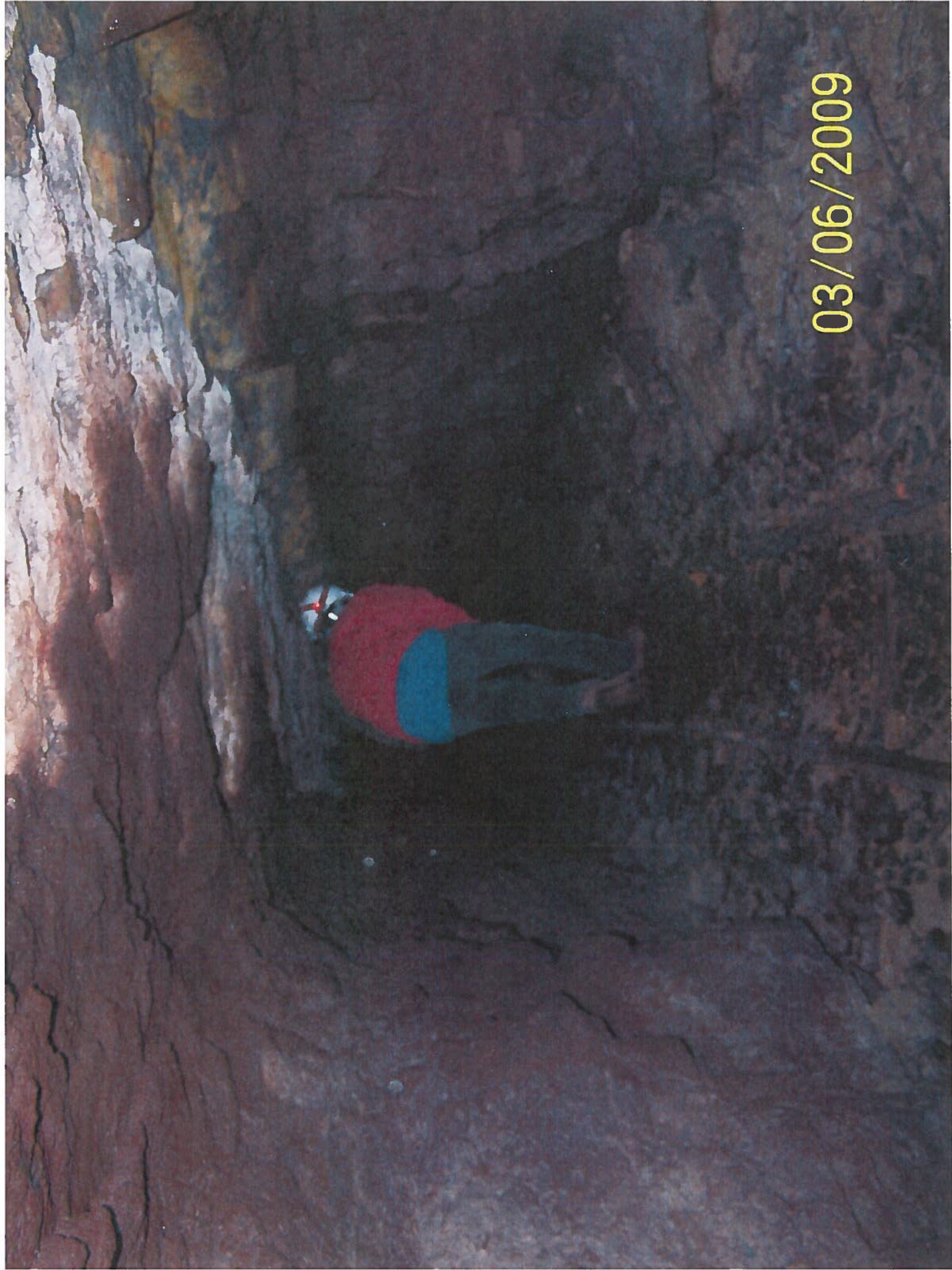
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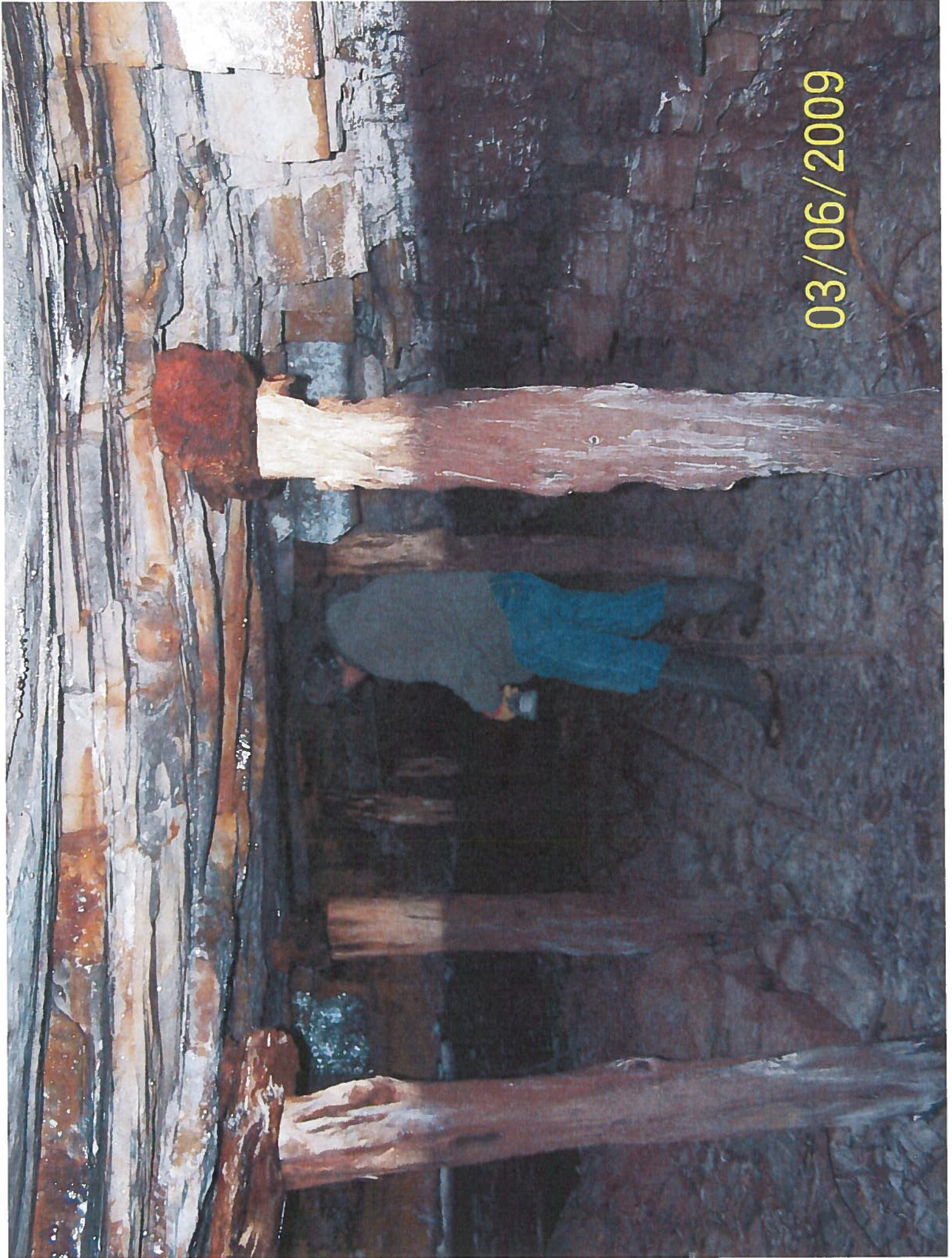
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July 13, 2017

On behalf of:
Fruitland Irrigation Company
34918 Fruitland Mesa Rd
Crawford, CO 81415

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to you today to provide our support for the Fruitland Irrigation Company's (FIC) Renovation Project. The Colorado River District strongly supports this critically important project to significantly improve the aging infrastructure necessary to provide irrigation water delivery to over 5000 acres of productive agricultural land on Fruitland Mesa in western Colorado. This letter of support also serves to document the potential for Fruitland Irrigation Company (FIC) to receive funding for their Renovation Project from the Colorado River District.

The Renovation Project directly supports Colorado River District goals and objectives as well as our Board-adopted policy of upgrading aging infrastructure, especially those that enable full use of pre-compact water rights. Additionally, the Project supports a vibrant agricultural economy in Western Colorado. Importantly, when completed the Project can significantly improve water quality and quantity conditions in the Gunnison and Colorado Rivers that benefit the recovery of endangered species and thereby will provide needed certainty for historical water uses.

While the River District strongly supports this project in principle and in practice, having worked towards providing technical and financial assistance, at this point, future awards of funding will be subject to competitive application to the Grant Program in January of 2018. For planning purposes, we support Fruitland Irrigation Company including a \$50,000 contribution from this fund, though we cannot guarantee such funding at this time.

Thank you very much for your consideration for this important project.

Sincerely,

Dave "DK" Kanzer, P.E.
Deputy Chief Engineer



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June 1, 2017

Craig Godbout - WSRA Application
Colorado Water Conservation Board
1313 Sherman Street, Room 721
Denver, CO 80203
Craig.godbout@state.co.us

**RE: Letter of Support - Fruitland Irrigation Company
Water Supply Reserve Account Application**

Dear Mr. Godbout:

The Colorado Office of the State Engineer (SEO) is pleased to provide a letter of support for the "Fruitland Irrigation Company's System Improvement Project." As the administrative agent overseeing the diversion of water in Colorado, our support is based on our understanding that the project fulfills the State's objectives regarding solutions to water quality, while acknowledging the need to divert and use the State's water only in harmony with Colorado's system of water rights.

Our support is further bolstered by our understanding that the project is consistent with Section 37-75-102, Colorado Revised Statutes (CRS) and will not attempt to repeal or, in any manner, amend the existing water rights adjudication system. Nor will the project conflict with the operation of, or cause injury to, any decreed water right or permitted well. Additionally, it is our understanding that this project would not impair our ability to comply with the Colorado River Compact, the Upper Colorado River Basin Compact, or Section 37-80-104, CRS regarding my duties to ensure compliance with interstate compacts.

The proposed project also appears consistent with the Colorado Water Plan, which includes goals of protecting irrigated agriculture and actions to advance integrated water quantity and quality actions and to develop and implement funding mechanisms for the protection, restoration, or enhancement of water quality values in river or stream reaches.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Bob W. Hurford, P.E.
Division Engineer



The Gunnison Basin Roundtable
501 Palmer Street
Delta, CO 81416

June 9, 2017

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

Re: WSRF Grant Request: Fruitland Irrigation Renovation Project

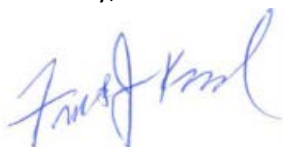
Dear Mr. Godbout:

This letter is presented to advise you that the grant application submitted by the Fruitland Irrigation Company for \$150,000 from Basin Account funds and \$750,000 in Statewide Account funds from the Water Supply Reserve Fund for the Fruitland Irrigation Renovation Project was reviewed by the Gunnison Basin Roundtable and its Project Screening Committee. The request for funding was approved by a unanimous vote of the Gunnison Basin Roundtable during our meeting on June 5, 2017.

This water activity meets the provisions of Section 37-75-104(2), Colorado Revised Statutes. The requirements/language from the statute is provided in Part 3 of the Criteria and Guidelines. In addition, this project meets Goals 1,2, 3 and 8 of the Gunnison Basin Implementation Plan.

Thank you for your support of this grant application.

Sincerely,



Frank J. Kugel
Gunnison Basin Roundtable

cc: Kathleen Curry (email)
Tom Alvey (email)
Fruitland Mesa, applicant (email)

FRUITLAND IRRIGATION COMPANY
34918 Fruitland Mesa Rd
Crawford, CO 81415

Monday, July 10, 2017

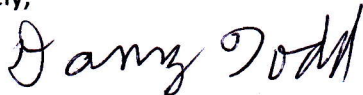
Craig Godbout
Colorado Water Conservation Board
1313 Sherman St., Room 721
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Mr. Godbout,

This letter is sent to clarify the status of federal funding for Fruitland Irrigation Renovation Project. The Gunnison Basin Roundtable approved our WSRF Basin and State Fund application at their June 5th meeting. We have also submitted an application for a CWCB Water Project Loan for this project. The primary planned source of funding for this major tunnel and canal rehabilitation project is the Colorado River Basin wide Salinity Control Program administered by the Bureau of Reclamation. We will be submitting two applications to this program with a submission deadline of November 14, 2017. Award notification is anticipated by the end of January 2018. Preliminary approval of the WSRF grants and the CWCB loan will be required as part of our application to this Reclamation program. The project cannot proceed without all of these funding sources, so our WSRF application is contingent upon award of the Reclamation funding.

Thank you for your assistance with our applications for funding this critical agriculture water supply project through the Colorado Water Conservation Board.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Danny Todd". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Danny Todd
President
Fruitland Irrigation Company