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AGENDA ITEM: 7a. 2018 Projects Bill

Non-Reimbursable Project Investments

(7) Arkansas River Decision Support System - Continuation

Introduction

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The Arkansas River Decision Support System (ArkDSS) is the last DSS to be developed for CDSS. The feasibility study was completed in December 2011, resulting in an estimated total cost of \$7,590,000. \$2,250,000 has previously been approved by the Board. Work has begun on the first phase of ArkDSS, which includes three major components of ArkDSS: spatial system integration (GIS); consumptive use analysis and surface water planning model development; and administration and accounting tool development. The funding requested herein will be used to continue the ArkDSS implementation.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Board request the General Assembly to authorize \$500,000 from the Construction Fund to be appropriated to the Department of Natural Resources for allocation to the CWCB to continue implementation of the ArkDSS.





Arkansas River Decision Support System

Colorado Water Conservation Board November 2017 Board Meeting

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Project Cost.						\$7,	590,000
NRI Funding	Req	ues	t:			\$	500,000
Funding Sour	ce:			Col	nstr	uct	ion Fund
Project Type	:						Other
Type of Gran	itee) <i>:</i>		Sta	ite	Gov	ernment

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Benefits:				Statewide					
Water	- Sour	ce:					N/A		
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