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## Colorado Water Conservation Board

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Pursuant to ISF Rule 5c. of the Rules Concerning the Colorado Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Program, this notice identifies the streams to be considered for instream flow (ISF) appropriations in 2018. At the January or March 2018 meeting of the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB), staff may request that the Board form its intent to appropriate instream flow water rights for the streams listed on the attached ISF Recommendation List. The attached list contains a description of the Instream Flow Recommendations including water division, stream name, watershed, county, length, upper terminus, and lower terminus.

Copies of the ISF Recommendations and Appendices of data submitted into the Official CWCB Record are available for review by the public during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) at the Colorado Water Conservation Board's Office, located at 1313 Sherman Street, Room 718, Denver, Colorado, 80203. In addition to the CWCB office, copies of the ISF Recommendations are available online at:

<http://cwcb.state.co.us/environment/instream-flow-program/Pages/2018ProposedISFRecommendations.aspx>

In addition to the above ISF Recommendations and Appendices, staff may rely on any additional data, exhibits, testimony, or other information submitted by any party as part of the Official CWCB Record to support its Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Recommendations.

It should also be noted that, pursuant to the [ISF Rules](#):

5d. (3)

(a) The Board may change flow amounts of contested ISF appropriations based on information received during the public notice and comment period.

(b) Staff will maintain, pursuant to Rule 5e.(3), an ISF Subscription Mailing List for each water division composed of the names of all persons who have sent notice to the Board Office that they wish to be included on such list for a particular water division. Any person desiring to be on the ISF Subscription Mailing List(s) must send notice to the Board Office.

(c) Any meetings held between Staff and members of the public will be open to the public. Staff may provide Proper Notice prior to any such meetings and may provide notice to persons on the ISF Subscription Mailing List(s).

(d) Any Notice to Contest must be received at the Board office no later than March 31, 2018, or the first business day thereafter. All Notices of Party status and Contested Hearing Participant status must be received at the Board office no later than April 30, 2018.

(e) Staff will announce its Final Staff ISF Recommendation concerning contested appropriations at the September 2018 Board meeting and will send notice of the Final Staff Recommendation to all persons on the Contested Hearing Mailing List.

(f) The Board may take final action on any uncontested ISF appropriations at the May 2018 Board meeting.

The schedule set forth in (d), (e), and (f) above will apply to streams on which the CWCB declares its intent to appropriate water rights in January 2018. A different schedule will apply to streams on which the CWCB declares its intent to appropriate water rights in March 2018. Should you wish to comment on any proposed ISF Recommendations, you may do so by writing Jeff Baessler or Rob Viehl of the Board's staff at the address given above or by sending your comments by email to [jeffrey.baessler@state.co.us](mailto:jeffrey.baessler@state.co.us), or [rob.viehl@state.co.us](mailto:rob.viehl@state.co.us). It should be noted that while your appearance at any meeting is welcome, such an appearance is not necessary for your concerns to be recognized. Staff will take your comments into account and, if you so request, will present them to the Board in your absence. If you are not currently on the Board's Instream Flow Subscription Mailing List and you would like to be, please contact the Board's Office at the address given above.

#### Instream Flow Recommendations January 2018

Div	Stream	Watershed	County	Length (miles)	Upper Terminus	Lower Terminus
3	Miners Creek	Saguache	Saguache	4.35	Headwaters	Confl. Prong Creek
3	Prong Creek	Saguache	Saguache	3.71	Headwaters	Confl. South Carnero Creek
4	Coyote Wash	Upper Dolores	Montrose	10.5	Colorado/Utah Stateline	Confl. Dolores River
4	Dutchman Creek	Tomichi	Saguache	6.78	Headwaters	Confl. Owens Creek
4	Spring Creek	San Miguel	Montrose	12.4	Headwaters	Confl. Tabeguache Creek
5	Abrams Creek (Increase)	Eagle	Eagle	3.95	Headwaters	Mrs. Paye Ditch hdgt
6	Douglas Creek	Lower White	Rio Blanco	26.3	Confl. E. & W. Douglas Creeks	Confl. White River
6	Hahn Creek	Upper White	Rio Blanco	4.71	Headwaters	Confl. Lost Creek
6	Lost Creek	Upper White	Rio Blanco	3.64	Confl. Hahn Creek	Confl. Long Park Creek
6	Lost Creek (Increase)	Upper White	Rio Blanco	0.83	Confl. Long Park Creek	Confl. NF White River
7	Disappointment Creek	Upper Dolores	Dolores	21.7	Confl. Morrison Creek	Historic USGS Gage
7	Disappointment Creek	Upper Dolores	Dolores San Miguel	37.8	Historic USGS Gage	Confl. Dolores River
7	Ricon La Vaca Creek	Upper San Juan	Hinsdale	4.47	Headwaters	Confl. Los Pinos River

#### Instream Flow Recommendations March 2018

Div	Stream	Watershed	County	Length (miles)	Upper Terminus	Lower Terminus
7	Himes Creek	Upper San Juan	Mineral	2.01	Headwaters	Himes Ditch Hdgt.

