HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 00-1031

LLS NO. R00-0964.01 Pam Cybyske

STATE OF COLORADO

BY REPRESENTATIVE Young; also SENATOR Wattenberg.

CONCERNING THE SPECIES CONSERVATION ELIGIBILITY LIST.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to section 24-33-111 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, the Species Conservation Trust Fund has been created in the state treasury to fund programs designed to conserve native species that have been listed as threatened or endangered under state or federal law, or are candidate species, or are likely to become candidate species, as determined by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to section 24-33-111 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, the Executive Director of the Department of Natural Resources, after consulting with the Colorado Water Conservation Board and its Director, the Wildlife Commission, and the Director of the Division of Wildlife, has prepared and delivered to the General Assembly a Species Conservation Eligibility List describing programs and associated costs that are eligible to receive funding from the Species Conservation Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to section 24-33-111 (3), Colorado Revised Statutes, prior to obligating funds from the Species Conservation Trust Fund the Species Conservation Eligibility List is subject to modification and adoption through the passage of a joint resolution approved by a majority vote of both houses of the General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 98-1006, enacted at the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-first General Assembly, appropriated \$10 million to be placed in the Species Conservation Trust Fund for expenditures related to native species; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly deems the recommended expenditures described in the Species Conservation Eligibility List to be in the interest of the people of the state; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-second General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the Senate concurring herein:

(1) That the Executive Director of the Department of Natural Resources is authorized to obligate and expend \$1,100,000 from the capital account of the Species Conservation Trust Fund for the following activities, programs, and species:

PROGRAM/ SPECIES	AMOUNT
(a) Upper Colorado River Nonnative Fish Control Programs	\$ 325,000
(b) Preble's Meadow Jumping Mouse Habitat Protection in Conjunction with the Habitat Conservation Plans	\$ 250,000
(c) Conservation of Aquatic Species (I) South Platte Native Species (II) Native Cutthroat Trout Enhancement in accordance with the Colorado-Wyoming-Utah Conservation Agreement and Strategy	\$ 225,000 \$ 300,000
Total	\$1,100,000

Be It Further Resolved, That this resolution be presented to the Governor for signature pursuant to section 39 of article V of the state constitution.

Russell George	Ray Powers
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OF REPRESENTATIVES	SENATE
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