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**TO:** Colorado Water Conservation Board Members

**FROM:** Kirk Russell, P.E., Finance Section Chief

**DATE:** January 22-23, 2018 Board Meeting

**AGENDA ITEM:** 7d. 2018 Projects Bill  
Projects Bill Outline (Updated 1/22/18 at the Board Meeting)

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**Introduction (~~This is for information only and no action is necessary~~)**

The Board will be presented with a draft outline of the 2018 CWCB Projects Bill for discussion and modification as necessary.

Items of note include:

1. Transfer of \$30 million from the Loan Guarantee Fund to the Severance Tax Perpetual Base Fund is required in order to offset the Severance Tax revenue
2. Chatfield Reservoir Reallocation Project Funding appropriation request can be reduced from previous Board decision due to updated information
3. Water Plan Implementation Funding appropriation request needs to be reduced due to Severance Tax revenues
4. Staff added two Non-Reimbursable Investment requests:
  - a. Damaging High Groundwater Response Grants - \$150,000
  - b. Central Colorado Water Conservancy Dist. grant for Chatfield Reallocation Project involvement - \$511,894.20 (See January 2018 Agenda Item 10a.)
5. Extension of time for the Hazard Mapping Project
6. Statutory revision regarding domestic treatment and treated distribution system projects

A copy of the 2017 Small Projects Report can be found at [www.leg.colorado.gov](http://www.leg.colorado.gov) and in the search box use "2017 Small Projects Report"

**Staff Recommendation**

Staff recommends the Board approve the Projects Bill Outline that was handed out at the Meeting with the following changes:

- 1) Section K to be modified to include the actual approved dollar amount of up to \$511,894.20
- 2) Section L, Bullet #3 to read as follows: \$3M to facilitate the development of additional storage, artificial recharge into aquifers, and dredging existing reservoirs to restore the reservoirs' full decreed storage capacity for multi-beneficial projects and those projects identified in basin implementation plans to address the water supply and demand gap.
- 3) Section L, Bullet #6 to read as follows: \$1.0M to provide technical assistance, project, or program funding for agricultural projects.

