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To: Instream Flow Subscription Mailing Lists

Subject: Proposed 2018 Instream Flow Appropriations in Water Divisions 3, 4, 5, and 6

Date: January 29, 2018

At its January 22-23, 2018 regular meeting, the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) declared its intent to appropriate instream flow (ISF) water rights on eight stream segments. The attached ISF table provides the name, watershed, county, length, upper terminus, lower terminus, and flow rates for all of these stream segments. Copies of the Instream Flow 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 Instream Flow Recommendations are available online at:

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

In addition to the above ISF Recommendation Summary Reports 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 ISF Recommendations. Pursuant to Rule 5d.(3) of the [Rules Concerning the Colorado Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Program](#) adopted by the Colorado Water Conservation Board, it should also be noted that:

- (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 April 2, 2018. All Notices of Party status and Contested Hearing Participant status must be received at the Board office no later than May 1, 2018.

(e) Staff will announce its Final Staff Instream Flow Recommendation concerning contested appropriations at the September 2018 Board meeting and, prior to that meeting, 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.

A notice to contest an ISF appropriation must be made in writing and contain the following information: (a) identification of the Person(s) requesting the hearing; (b) identification of the ISF appropriation(s) at issue; and (c) the contested facts and a general description of the data upon which the Person will rely to the extent known at that time.

Should you wish to comment on the 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

Div	Stream	Watershed	County	Length (miles)	Upper Terminus	Lower Terminus	Flow (CFS) & Timing
3	Miners Creek	Saguache	Saguache	4.35	Headwaters	Confl. Prong Creek	0.56 (09/01 - 04/30) 1 (05/01 - 08/31)
3	Prong Creek	Saguache	Saguache	3.71	Headwaters	Confl. South Carnero Creek	0.4 (09/01 - 04/30) 4.2 (05/01 - 08/31)
4	Coyote Wash	Upper Dolores	Montrose	10.5	Colorado/Utah Stateline	Confl. Dolores River	0.8 (09/01 - 02/29) 2.2 (03/01 - 08/31)
4	Dutchman Creek	Tomichi	Saguache	6.78	Headwaters	Confl. Owens Creek	0.94 (04/01 - 08/31) 0.84 (09/01 - 03/31)
5	Abrams Creek	Eagle	Eagle	3.95	Headwaters	Mrs. Paye Ditch hdgt	0.75 (05/01 - 09/30)
6	Douglas Creek	Lower White	Rio Blanco	26.3	Confl. E & W Douglas Creeks	Confl. White River	2.7 (03/16 - 06/15) 1.7 (06/16 - 06/30)
6	Lost Creek	Upper White	Rio Blanco	3.64	Confl. Hahn Creek	Confl. Long Park Creek	1.3 (10/01 - 03/31) 2.3 (04/01 - 08/15) 1.8 (08/16 - 09/30)
6	Hahn Creek	Upper White	Rio Blanco	4.71	Headwaters	Confl. Lost Creek	0.75 (11/01 - 04/30) 2.6 (05/01 - 08/31) 1.6 (09/01 - 10/31)