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Dear Staff:

The Colorado Basin Roundtable voted unanimously at its January 22, 2018 meeting to forward the Eagle River Watershed Council grant application for CWCB staff review and Board approval. The amount is for \$75,000 from the CBRT's Basin Account. The grant scored a 12.25 on our scoring matrix, a ratio of .86.

The CBRT BIP lists Healthy River and Streams as one of its key themes. Colorado's Water Plan sets a goal that 80 percent of the state's stream miles will have watershed planning. This project addresses both goals. The CBRT refers to streamflow/watershed planning as Integrated Water Management Planning as a way to show that this type of work involves all stakeholder groups from ag, to municipal, to environmental to recreation. We strive for projects that ultimately benefit as many of these factors as possible.

This project will bring together the necessary stakeholders required for such work and, importantly, is meant to be informative to the Eagle River MOU process, which 30 years after its signing, is active in investigation water supply solutions for the West Slope, Aurora, Colorado Springs and the Climax Mine.

Sincerely yours,

Jim Pokrandt

Chair, Colorado Basin Roundtable

Attachment: CBRT Grant Matrix Scoring Sheet