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AGENDA ITEM: 16. Contested 2018 Instream Flow Appropriation

Background

The following table outlines the Board's January 2018 instream flow appropriation that has been contested by the Buckhorn Valley Metropolitan District No. 1. Staff has contacted the District and its attorney to further understand their issues and explore whether any mutually acceptable terms and conditions can be reached in order to avoid the need for a hearing. Information submitted during the contested hearing process will be available on CWCB's website at: http://cwcb.state.co.us/environment/instream-flow-program/Pages/2018ContestedISFAppropriations.aspx

Stream	County	Length (mi)	Flow Rate (cfs)	Parties
Abrams Creek (Increase) (Headwaters to Mrs. Paye Ditch Hdgt.)	Eagle	3.95	0.75 (05/01 - 09/30)	 Notice to Contest Buckhorn Valley Metropolitan District No. 1 Party Status Trout Unlimited

Staff recommendation

Staff recommends that the Board designate a Hearing Officer for this contested instream flow appropriation. Staff further recommends that the Board set the hearing date for this appropriation to be held in conjunction with the Board's November 14-15, 2018 meeting.

