Consent Agenda Item 1.a

May 23-24, 2018 Board Meeting

Case No. 16CW0017 (Water Division 2); Randall L. Hancock & Renate Laurie Hancock

## Summary of Water Court Application

Applicant requests conditional and absolute surface water rights. The Application and Amended Application state that Three Elk Creek is a "futile creek." CWCB holds an instream flow water right on Three Elk Creek, for which a call would not be futile against Applicant's claim.

### Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Board ratify the filing of a Statement of Opposition filed on behalf of the Board in April 2018 to protect CWCB's instream flow water rights.

### CWCB Instream Flow Water Rights

The CWCB holds the following instream flow water right in Water Division 2 in the Arkansas Headwaters Watershed that could be injured by this application:

Case Number	Stream	Upper Terminus	Lower Terminus	CFS Rate (Dates)	Approp. Date
80CW0071	Three Elk Creek		confl Arkansas River	4 (1/1 - 12/31)	05/07/1980

# Potential for Injury

• If this water right is decreed or administered as futile against a call for CWCB's instream flow water right on Three Elk Creek, it could injure the instream flow water right.

# Other Objectors

No other Statements of Opposition were filed to this Amended Application. A Statement of Opposition was filed by Riverside Ditch and Allen Extension Company to the original Application

#### Attorney Representing CWCB

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