

Colorado Water Conservation Board

Water Supply Reserve Fund Grant Application

Instructions

All WSRF grant applications shall conform to the current 2016 WSRF Criteria and Guidelines.

To receive funding from the WSRF, a proposed water activity must be approved by a Roundtable(s) <u>AND</u> the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB). The process for Roundtable consideration and recommendation is outlined in the 2016 WSRF Criteria and Guidelines. The CWCB meets bimonthly according to the schedule on page 2 of this application.

If you have questions, please contact the current CWCB staff Roundtable liaison:

Arkansas Ben Wade ben.wade@state.co.us 303-866-3441 x3238 Gunnison | North Platte | South Platte | Yampa/White Craig Godbout craig.godbout@state.co.us 303-866-3441 x3210 Colorado | Metro | Rio Grande | Southwest Megan Holcomb <u>megan.holcomb@state.co.us</u> 303-866-3441 x3222

	WSRF Submittal Checklist (Required)
Х	I acknowledge this request for funding was recommended for CWCB approval by the sponsoring Basin Roundtable(s).
Х	I acknowledge I have read and understand the 2016 WSRF Criteria and Guidelines.
Х	I acknowledge the Grantee will be able to contract with CWCB using the Standard Contract. ⁽¹⁾
Exhib	bit A
Х	Statement of Work ⁽²⁾ (Word – see Exhibit A Template)
Х	Budget & Schedule ⁽²⁾ (Excel Spreadsheet – see Exhibit A Template)
	Letters of Matching and/or Pending 3 rd Party Commitments ⁽²⁾
Exhi	bit C
Х	Map ⁽²⁾
Х	Photos/Drawings/Reports
	Letters of Support
	Certificate of Insurance ⁽³⁾ (General, Auto, & Workers' Comp.)
Cont	racting Documents
	Certificate of Good Standing ⁽³⁾
	W-9 ⁽³⁾
	Independent Contractor Form ⁽³⁾ (If applicant is individual, not company/organization)
	Electronic Funds Transfer (ETF) Form ⁽³⁾
(1) C	lick "Grant Agreements". For reference only/do not fill out or submit/required for contracting

(2) Required with application if applicable.

(3) Required for contracting. While optional at the time of this application, submission can expedite contracting upon CWCB Board approval.



Schedule			
CWCB Meeting	Application Submittal Dates	Type of Request	
January	December 1	Basin Account; BIP	
March	February 1	Basin/Statewide Account; BIP	
Мау	April 1	Basin Account; BIP	
July	June 1	Basin Account; BIP	
September	August 1	Basin/Statewide Account; BIP	
November	October 1	Basin Account/BIP	

	Desired Timeline
Desired CWCB Hearing Month:	Мау
Desired Notice to Proceed Date:	

Water Activity Summary		
Name of Applicant	Spicer Ranches, Ltd.	
Name of Water Activity	Coyte Reservoir Outlet Repair	
Approving Roundtable	(s)	Basin Account Request(s) ⁽¹⁾
North Platte Basin Round Table		67,600
Basin Account Request Subtotal		\$67,600
Statewide Account Request ⁽¹⁾		\$0
Total WSRF Funds Requested (Basin & Statewide)		\$67,600
Total Project Costs		\$90,600
(1) Please indicate the amount recor	mmondod for onr	roval by the Poundtable(c)

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Grantee and Applicant Information



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Name of Grantee(s)	Spicer Ranches, Ltd.
Mailing Address	13241 Highway 14, Walden, CO 80480
FEIN	84-1159503
Grantee's Organization Contact ⁽¹⁾	Coy Meyring
Position/Title	Managing General Partner
Email	coymeyring@hotmail.com
Phone	806-676-2347
Grant Management Contact ⁽²⁾	Coy Meyring
Position/Title	Managing General Partner
Email	coymeyring@hotmail.com
Phone	806-676-2347
Name of Applicant (if different than grantee)	
Mailing Address	
Position/Title	
Email	
Phone (1) Demonstration of the	

(1) Person with signatory authority

(2) Person responsible for creating reimbursement invoices (Invoice for Services) and corresponding with CWCB staff.

Description of Grantee

Provide a brief description of the grantee's organization (100 words or less).

Spicer Ranches, Ltd is a ranching operation that is owned and operated by Coy Meyring and his family. The ranch has been owned by the Meyring's and their decedents since the late 1880's. The primary business involves production of cattle and hay. Where irrigation water is available, it is used to raise hay for winter livestock feed or irrigated pasture for summer grazing. The non-irrigated lands are used for livestock grazing and provide a habitat for a wide variety of wildlife species that make the ranch their home.



	Type of Eligible Entity (check one)			
	Public (Government): municipalities, enterprises, counties, and State of Colorado agencies. Federal agencies are encouraged to work with local entities. Federal agencies are eligible, but only if they can make a compelling case for why a local partner cannot be the grant recipient.			
	Public (Districts): authorities, Title 32/special districts (conservancy, conservation, and irrigation districts), and water activity enterprises			
	Private Incorporated: mutual ditch companies, homeowners associations, corporations			
Х	Private Individuals, Partnerships, and Sole Proprietors: are eligible for funding from the Basin Accounts but not for funding from the Statewide Account.			
	Non-governmental organizations: broadly, any organization that is not part of the government			
	Covered Entity: as defined in Section 37-60-126 Colorado Revised Statutes			

Type of Water Activity (check one)		
	Study	
Х	Implementation	

	Category of Water Activity (check all that apply)			
Х	Nonconsumptive (Environmental)			
Х	Nonconsumptive (Recreational)			
Х	Agricultural			
	Municipal/Industrial			
	Needs Assessment			
	Education & Outreach			
	Other	Explain:		

Location of Water Activity			
Please provide the general county and coordinates of the proposed activity below in decimal degrees . The Applicant shall also provide, in Exhibit C, a site map if applicable.			
County/Counties	Jackson County		
Latitude	40° 29'05.13 N		
Longitude	106° 25'42.60 W		



Water Activity Overview

Please provide a summary of the proposed water activity (200 words or less). Include a description of the activity and what the WSRF funding will be used for specifically (e.g. studies, permitting, construction). Provide a description of the water supply source to be utilized or the water body affected by the activity. Include details such as acres under irrigation, types of crops irrigated, number of residential and commercial taps, length of ditch improvements, length of pipe installed, area of habitat improvements. If this project addresses multiple purposes or spans multiple basins, please explain. The Applicant shall also provide, in Exhibit A, a detailed Statement of Work, Budget, and Schedule.

The WSRF funding will be used to complete repairs on the Coyte Reservoir that were identified in the Division of Water Resources Engineer's Inspection Report dated 11-01-2017. The Coyte Reservoir is located on the natural drainage below the Heckla Reservoir and receives return flows from irrigation by the Eureka Ditch. The reservoir is used for recreation as well as irrigation water. The outlet to be repaired irrigates approximately 225 acres of native hay meadows. The irrigation water also provides livestock drinking water and drainage for a natural pond in the center of the hay meadow that is inhabited by various waterfowl.

Measurable Results			
To catalog measurable results achieved with WSRF funds please provide any of the following values.			
	New Storage Created (acre-feet)		
	New Annual Water Supplies Developed or Conserved (acre-feet), Consumptive or Nonconsumptive		
38.48	Existing Storage Preserved or Enhanced (acre-feet)		
	Length of Stream Restored or Protected (linear feet)		
	Efficiency Savings (indicate acre-feet/year OR dollars/year)		
250	Area of Restored or Preserved Habitat (acres)		
	Length of Pipe/Canal Built or Improved		
	Other	Explain:	



Water Activity Justification

Provide a description of how this water activity supports the goals of <u>Colorado's Water Plan</u>, the most recent <u>Statewide Water Supply Initiative</u>, and the respective <u>Roundtable Basin Implementation Plan</u> and <u>Education Action Plan</u>⁽¹⁾. The Applicant is required to reference specific needs, goals, themes, or Identified Projects and Processes (IPPs), including citations (e.g. document, chapters, sections, or page numbers).

For applications that include a request for funds from the Statewide Account, the proposed water activity shall be evaluated based upon how well the proposal conforms to Colorado's Water Plan criteria for state support (CWP, Section 9.4, pp. 9-43 to 9-44;) (Also listed pp. 4-5 in <u>2016 WSRF</u> Criteria and Guidelines).

The water project will:

- 1. Restore, maintain and modernize water infrastructure to preserve current uses and increase efficiencies per Section 1 Goal 3 of the North Platte Basin Implementation Plan.
 - a. The current storage restriction will effectively dry up the existing hay meadows and wetland areas currently served by the Coyte Reservoir.
 - b. Completed repairs will restore and modernize the existing storage infrastructure and then allow water under an existing water right to be consumptively used for the production of hay.
- 2. Continue to help maintain healthy wetlands as identified in Section 1 Goal 4 of the North Platte Basin Implementation Plan.
 - a. Wetlands currently exist in and around the meadows irrigated by the Coyte Reservoir.
 - b. Managed irrigating activities ensure the wetland areas are maintained and recharged.
- 3. Support non-consumptive use
 - a. Operation of the Coyte Reservoir in the past has supported a very healthy fishing habitat. Recreational activities related to the Coyte Reservoir have provided incremental revenue to the ranching business.
- 4. Supports and provides Agricultural growth and demands as defined in Section 2 Basin Needs of the North Platte Basin Implementation Plan.

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Water Activity Justification

Last Update: August 3, 2017

(1) Access Basin Implementation Plans or Education Action Plans from Basin drop down menu.

Matching Requirements: Basin Account Requests

Basin (only) Account grant requests require a 25% match (cash and/or in-kind) from the Applicant or 3rd party and shall be accompanied by a **letter of commitment** as described in the 2016 WSRF Criteria and Guidelines (submitted on the contributing entity's letterhead). Attach additional sheet if necessary.

Contributing Entity	Amount and Form of Match (note cash or in-kind)
Spicer Ranches, Ltd.	\$10,000 cash



Matching Requirements: Basin Account Requests			
Spicer Ranches, Ltd	\$13,000 in-kind labor and equipment		
Total Match	\$ 23,000		
If you requested a Waiver to the Basin Account matching requirements, indicate the percentage you wish waived.	No waiver requested		

Matching Requirements: Statewide Account Requests

Statewide Account grant requests require a 50% match as described in the 2016 WSRF Criteria and Guidelines. A minimum of 10% match shall be from Basin Account funds (cash only). A minimum of 10% match shall be provided by the applicant or 3rd party (cash, in-kind, or combination). The remaining 30% of the required match may be provided from any other source (Basin, applicant, or 3rd party) and shall be accompanied by a **letter of commitment.** Attach additional sheet if necessary.

Contributing Entity	Amount and Form of Match (note cash or in-kind):		
N/A			
Total Match	\$		
If you requested a Waiver to the Statewide Account matching, indicate % you wish waived. (Max 50% reduction of requirement).			

Related Studies

Please provide a list of any related studies, including if the water activity is complimentary to or assists in the implementation of other CWCB programs.



Related Studies

N/A

Previous CWCB Grants

List all previous or current CWCB grants (including WSRF) awarded to both the Applicant and Grantee. Include: 1) Applicant name; 2) Water activity name; 3) Approving RT(s); 4) CWCB board meeting date; 5) Contract number or purchase order

None

Tax Payer Bill of Rights

The Tax Payer Bill of Rights (TABOR) may limit the amount of grant money an entity can receive. Please describe any relevant TABOR issues that may affect the applicant.

None

NORTH PLATTE BASIN ROUNDTABLE

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May 23, 2018

Mr. Craig Godbout - WSRA Application Colorado Water Conservation Board 1313 Sherman St., Room 721 Denver, CO 80203

Re: Water Supply Reserve Fund Grant Application for Coyte Reservoir Outlet Repair submitted by Spicer Ranches, Ltd. - \$67,600 from Basin Account WSR Funds

Dear Mr. Godbout:

This letter is to advise you that the WSRF grant application submitted by Spicer Ranches, Ltd., requesting \$67,600 from Bain Account WSR Funds was reviewed and evaluated by the North Platte Basin Roundtable and was approved by a unanimous favorable vote of nine (9) voting members present at the North Platte Basin Roundtable meeting held on the 22nd day of May, 2018. Because there were no dissenting votes, a minority report is not required.

The WSRF funding will be used to complete repairs required to the Coyte Reservoir that were identified in a Division of Water Resources Engineer's Inspection Report dated 11-01-2017. The existing pipe and head gate will be replaced with a new structure that will allow water users to control the amount of water entering the ditch as well as provide a positive shut-off at the water source. The proposed structure is critical in the delivery of irrigation water to irrigated ground and is needed to effectively and efficiently control and regulate the irrigation water.

The Coyte Reservoir is located on the natural drainage below the Heckla Reservoir and receives return flows from irrigation by the Eureka Ditch. The reservoir is used for recreation as well as irrigation water. The outlet to be repaired irrigates approximately 225 acres of native hay meadows. The irrigation water also provides livestock drinking water and drainage for a natural pond in the center of the hay meadow that is inhabited by various waterfowl.

Several goals set forth in the North Platte Basin Implementation Plan are addressed by the project. The preserved storage helps to maintain and maximize the consumptive use of water in the basin while helping to maintain important existing water infrastructure. In addition, the multiple purpose uses of the reservoir help to directly maintain healthy wetlands while showcasing the beneficial relationship between agricultural and environmental and recreational water use.

Please feel free to call me with any questions that you may have regarding the North Platte Basin Roundtable meeting or our level of support for this project.

Sincerely, harthatter m.

Wm. Kent Crowder, Chair North Platte Basin Roundtable

Water Supply Reserve Fund – Grant and Loan Program Water Activity Summary Sheet July 18-19, 2018 Agenda Item 27(a)

Applicant & Grantee:	Spicer Ranches, Ltd.
Water Activity Name:	Coyte Reservoir Outlet Repair
Water Activity Purpose:	Multipurpose (Environmental/Recreational/ & Agricultural)
County:	Jackson
Drainage Basin:	North Platte
Water Source:	Eureka Ditch/Heckla Reservoir
Amount Requested:	\$67,600 North Platte Basin Account
Matching Funds:	Applicant Match (cash & in-kind) = \$23,000 • 34% of the Basin Account request (meets 10% min)

Staff Recommendation:

Staff recommends approval of up to \$67,600 from the North Platte Basin Account to help fund the project titled: Coyte Reservoir Outlet Repair Project.

Water Activity Summary: WSRF grant funds, if approved, will assist Spicer Ranches to complete repairs on the Coyte Reservoir that were identified in the Division of Water Resources Engineer's Inspection Report dated 11-01-2017. The Coyte Reservoir is located on the natural drainage below the Heckla Reservoir and receives return flows from irrigation by the Eureka Ditch. The reservoir is used for recreation as well as irrigation water. The outlet to be repaired irrigates approximately 225 acres of native hay meadows. The irrigation water also provides livestock drinking water and drainage for a natural pond in the center of the hay meadow that is inhabited by various waterfowl. Tasks to be funded include Engineering Services and Outlet Repair Construction.

Discussion: As pointed out in the application, this project assists the North Platte Basin Roundtable in meeting Goals 3, 4 and Agricultural needs of the North Plate Basin Implementation Plan.

In addition, this effort helps the state achieve agricultural viability, and storage goals of Colorado's Water Plan, as outlined in Section 10.3, pages 10-10 thru 10-11.

Issues/Additional Needs: No issues or additional needs have been identified.

Eligibility Requirements: The application meets requirements of all eligibility components: General Eligibility, Entity Eligibility, Water Activity Eligibility, and Eligibility Based on Match Requirements.

Evaluation Criteria: This activity has undergone review and evaluation and staff has determined that it satisfies the Evaluation Criteria. Please refer to Basin Roundtable Chair's Recommendation Letter and the WSRF Grant Application for applicant's detailed response.

Funding Summary/Matching Funds:				
Funding Source	<u>Cash</u>	<u>In-kind</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Status</u>
Spicer Ranches, Ltd.	\$10,000	\$13,000	\$23,000	Secured
WSRF North Platte Basin Account	\$67,000	n/a	\$67,600	Pending
Total	\$77,000	\$13,000	\$90,600	-

CWCB Project Manager: Craig Godbout