

2018-19 Project Final Report
Digitization of Water Resources Archive Materials
Funded by the Colorado Water Conservation Board
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Colorado State University Water Resources Archive

Upon receiving a CWCB grant of \$20,000 to be spent by June 30, 2019, the Water Resources Archive digitized a selection of its historical materials. Of highest priority were documents related to groundwater research and administration in Colorado, irrigation, river compacts, and significant litigation in any of these areas.

Goals as stated in the Scope of Work (August 13, 2018):

- Digitize at least 18,000 pages and ~10 photo albums and scrapbooks from collections in the Water Resources Archive
 - Assign metadata to the materials at the item/folder level as appropriate
 - Make the digital objects and metadata available through the CSU Libraries' Digital Repository
 - Link to the digital objects from the collections' finding aids
- Publicity of availability in various venues
- Final report at project completion

Achievements:

- The Archive used the \$20,000 to digitize **21,901 total** pages/items:
 - 21,084 total pages of paper
 - 11 photo albums and scrapbooks
- Selected and digitized materials from **5** collections:
 - North Poudre Irrigation Company Records
 - San Luis Valley Irrigation District Records
 - Irrigation Research Papers
 - National Water Resources Association Papers
 - Arkansas Valley Sugar Beet and Irrigated Land Company Photographs
- Material types selected include correspondence, annual reports, engineering documents, reports, financial information, data, and conference proceedings
- Created the appropriate level of metadata for all materials
- Uploaded digital objects and metadata into the CSU Libraries' Digital Repository
- Linked digital objects to collections' finding aids
- Promoted digitized materials through various targeted efforts

As always, the Water Resources Archive welcomes the opportunity to make a presentation to the CWCB about the results their funding has achieved.

See the materials through the CSU Libraries' Digital Repository:

- <https://mountainscholar.org/handle/10217/100122> (link goes directly to Water Resources Archive section – search or browse there)

See the materials through the Water Resources Archive finding aids:

- <https://lib.colostate.edu/find/archives-special-collections/collections/water-resources-archive/> (home page; click on “Finding Aids” in menu at right, look for collections named above)