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AGENDA ITEM: 11. Public Comment on 2020 Instream Flow Appropriations in
Water Divisions 2, 4, and 6

Staff Recommendation: This is an informational item with no Board action required.

Background: At its January 27, 2020 meeting, the Board declared its intent to appropriate 6 instream flow (ISF) water rights. The purpose of this agenda item is to provide notice to the public of these proposed appropriations (see table below), and to provide an opportunity for public comment pursuant to Rule 5e. of the Rules Concerning the Colorado Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Program (ISF Rules). Detailed information regarding these stream segments is available on the CWCB website located at: <https://cwcb.colorado.gov/2020-isf-recommendations>

Anyone wishing to contest one or more of these ISF appropriations must file a Notice to Contest with the Board, pursuant to ISF Rule 5k., by March 31, 2020. Staff will ask the Board to take final action on all uncontested ISF appropriations at its May 2020 meeting.

Proposed Instream Flow Appropriations

Div	Stream	Watershed	County	Length (miles)	Upper Terminus	Lower Terminus	Flow (CFS)
2	Iowa Gulch	Arkansas Headwaters	Lake	3.61	headwaters	Iowa Gulch intake	1.7 (05/01 - 09/15) 1.0 (09/16 - 04/30)
4	Cement Creek (Increase)	East-Taylor	Gunnison	17.4	headwaters	confluence East River	3.0 (04/15 - 07/10)
4	Kelso Creek	Lower Gunnison	Mesa	9.89	headwaters	confluence Bear Gulch	0.85 (09/01 - 03/31) 2.4 (04/01 - 08/31)
4	Spring Creek (Increase)	East-Taylor	Gunnison	3.18	confluence Rocky Brook Creek	confluence Bear Creek	6.5 (04/01 - 09/30)
4	Spring Creek (Increase)	East-Taylor	Gunnison	8.17	confluence Bear Creek	confluence Taylor River	13.5 (04/01 - 07/31)
6	Unnamed Tributary to Bunker Creek	Upper Yampa	Rio Blanco	2.14	headwaters	Bunker Ditch headgate	0.4 (12/01 - 04/30) 1.75 (05/01 - 07/31) 0.8 (08/01 - 11/30)

