

June 16, 2020

Attn: Ben Wade Water Conservation Coordinator Colorado Water Conservation Board 1313 N Sherman St, Suite 721 Denver, CO 80203

Dear Ben Wade,

We appreciate your support and the opportunity to work with you on the update of the Town of Erie's Drought Management Plan. This letter summarizes our progress made-to-date at 25% completion.

We are on track for producing a comprehensive Drought Management Plan that meets CWCB's *Municipal Drought Management Plan Guidance Document*, is supported by the community and further enhances Erie's ability to prepare for and respond to drought. We have held one in-person workshop (Workshop A per the grant) and two technical phone calls (serving as Workshop B per the grant) with the Planning Team. During these workshops we have identified Plan objectives; water use priorities; operating principles; historical and future drought impacts; mitigation strategies; and drought stages, triggers and response targets. We have also updated a "Drought Tool," developed during the previous Drought Management Plan, which is an excel spreadsheet that characterizes historical and potential future droughts in relation to Erie's water supply portfolio. This tool provides useful context for the drought stages, triggers and response targets.

The COVID-19 pandemic has delayed the schedule and is requiring all workshops to now be held remotely. That said, we have not encountered any obstacles that impede the Plan update. We are currently in the process of preparing for and scheduling Workshop C.

We appreciate working with you on this important planning effort.

Sincerely,

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