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TO: Alan Martellaro, Division Engineer

Division of Water Resources, Water Division 5

FROM: Robert Viehl, Stream and Lake Protection Section

Colorado Water Conservation Board

RE: Request for Administration of Instream Flow Water Rights on Hunter Creek

DATE: August 12, 2020

On behalf of the Colorado Water Conservation Board, I am requesting administration of the Board's instream flow ("ISF") water rights on the following segments of Hunter Creek, in Water District 38, to preserve the natural environment to a reasonable degree. Additional information about the specific ISF reaches is shown below. While we understand that current conditions may result in a futile call, this request from the CWCB may allow the City of Aspen to implement certain agreements with its water users that could provide more water to Hunter Creek.

Case No.	Upper Terminus	Lower Terminus	Amount (cfs)	Appropriation Date
80CW0061	Hunter Creek Flume and PL	confl Roaring Fork River	15 (1/1 - 12/31)	06/10/1886
80CW0062	Red Mountain Ditch headgate	confl Roaring Fork River	0.5 (1/1 - 12/31)	05/15/1884
80CW0018	historic return flow point	confl Roaring Fork River	0.23 (5/15 - 9/15)	08/04/1946
80CW0018	hdgt McFarlane Ditch	historic return flow point	15.3 (5/15 - 9/15)	08/04/1946
80CW0018	historic return flow point	confl Roaring Fork River	0.06 (5/15 - 9/15)	08/05/1950
80CW0018	historic return flow point	confl Roaring Fork River	0.1 (5/15 - 9/15)	08/05/1950
80CW0018	hdgt Evans Ditch #2	historic return flow point	4 (5/15 - 9/15)	08/05/1950
80CW0018	hdgt Evans Ditch #1	historic return flow point	7.05 (5/15 - 9/15)	08/05/1950
80CW0018	outlet Hunter Creek Res	confl Roaring Fork River	0.018 (5/15 - 9/15)	10/07/1957
80CW0018	historic return flow point	confl Roaring Fork River	0.037 (5/15 - 9/15)	10/13/1957
80CW0018	historic return flow point	confl Roaring Fork River	0.005 (1/1 - 12/31)	10/30/1957
80CW0018	McFarlane Springs	historic return flow point	9.46 (5/15 - 9/15)	10/13/1957
80CW0018	hdgt Koch Ditch #1	historic return flow point	1 (5/15 - 9/15)	10/07/1957
80CW0018	hdgt Bulloch Spring & PL	historic return flow point	0.04 (1/1 - 12/31)	10/30/1957
80CW0018	historic return flow point	confl Roaring Fork River	0.018 (1/1 - 12/31)	09/15/1967
80CW0018	hdgt Koch Ditch #3 Ext	historic return flow point	1 (5/15 - 9/15)	09/15/1967
75W2656	confl No Name Creek	confl Roaring Fork River	14 (1/1 - 12/31)	02/26/1975
75W2654	confl Midway Creek	confl No Name Creek	11 (1/1 - 12/31)	02/26/1975
75W2652	hdgt Fry-Ark Project div	confl Midway Creek	8.5 (1/1 - 12/31)	02/26/1975



79CW0190	confl No Name Creek	confl Roaring Fork River	16 (1/1 - 12/31)	01/31/1979
79CW0188	confl Midway Creek	confl No Name Creek	6 (1/1 - 12/31)	01/31/1979
79CW0186	hdgt Fry-Ark Project div	confl Midway Creek	3.5 (1/1 - 12/31)	01/31/1979

The HUNTER CREEK NEAR ASPEN gage is located in the ISF reach and demonstrates that flow conditions are below the decreed ISF water right. The Board is requesting administration to ensure that water up to the full decreed amount of these water rights is made available based on the priority system. The effective date of this call is August 12, 2020 and the call is to be in effect until the end of the current irrigation year.

Signed:

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CC: Bill Blakeslee, District 38 Water Commissioner