

November 30, 2020



Attn: Ben Wade
Water Conservation Coordinator
Colorado Water Conservation Board
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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 50% 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 three technical phone calls (serving as Workshop B and Workshop D per the grant) with the Planning Team. (Workshop C solely focused on the Water Efficiency Plan). 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; and drought response strategies. We have also had a phone call with Northern Water Conservancy District to address drought response coordination and have also updated a "Drought Tool." This was 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 our final workshop, Workshop E (scheduled for December 2), and starting to draft the document. Our updated schedule is provided as an attachment.

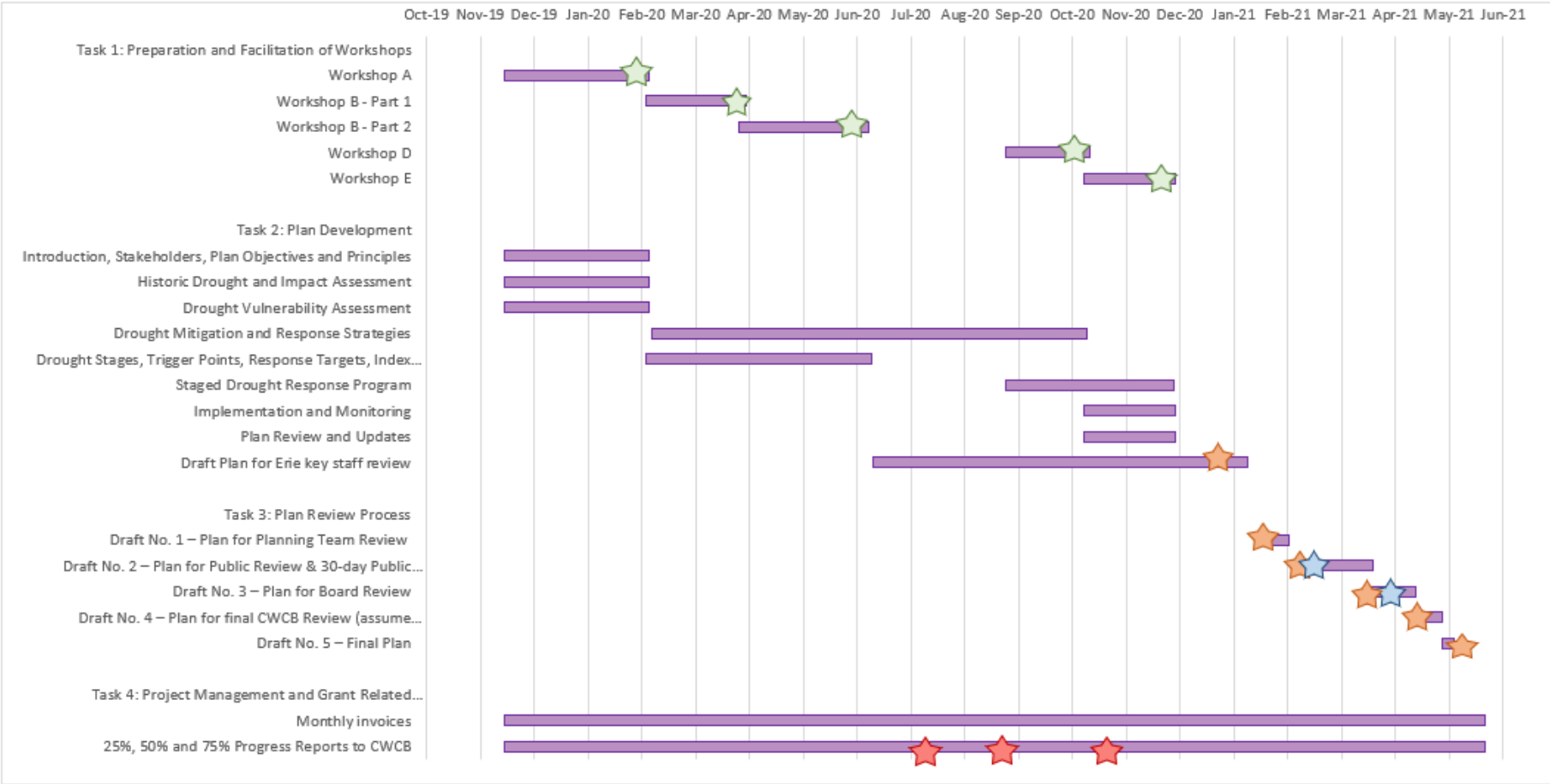
We appreciate working with you on this important planning effort.

Sincerely,

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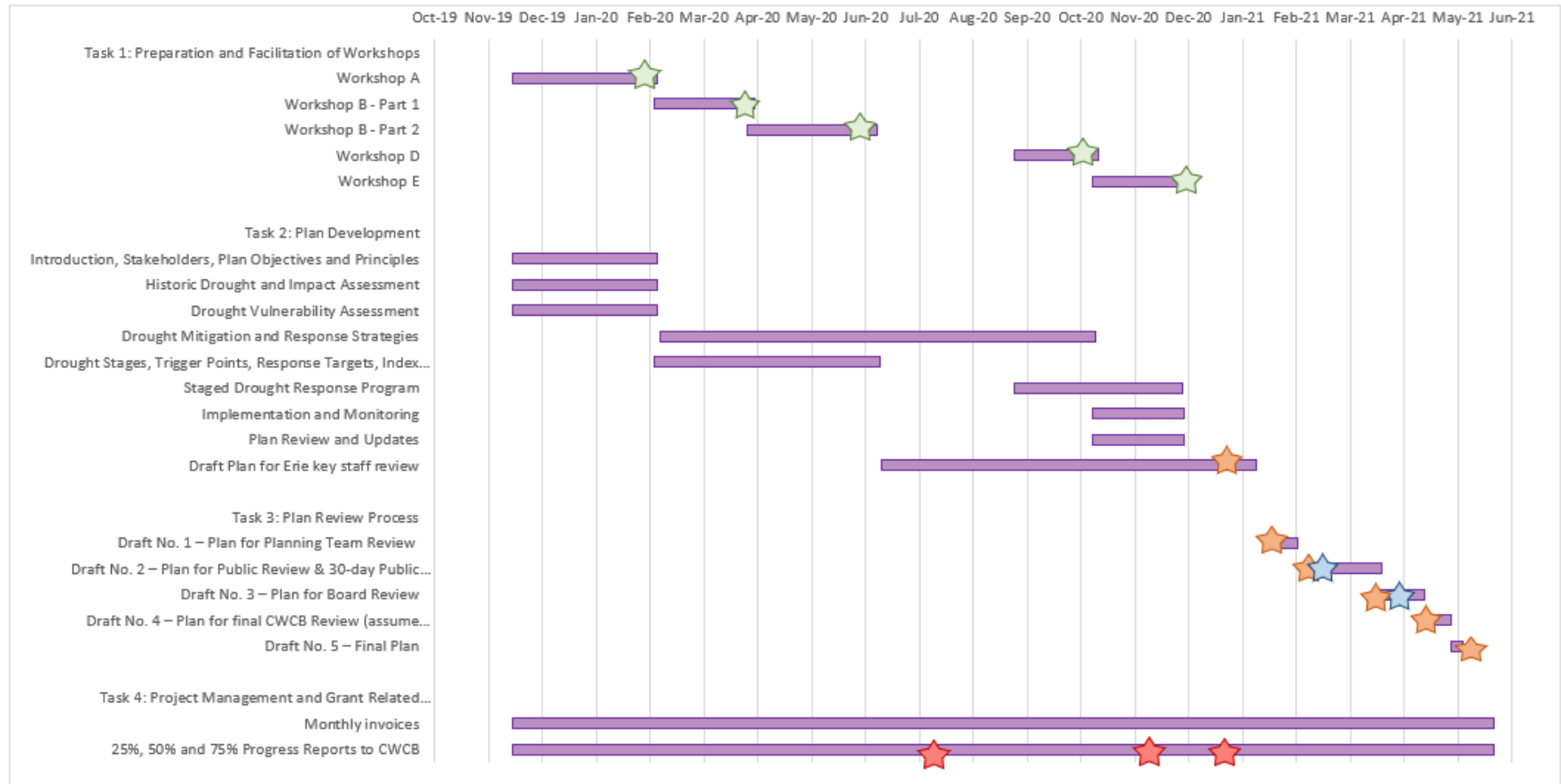
Attachment A: Schedule for Drought Management Plan 50% Progress Report



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- ★ Draft Plans for Planning Team, public, City Council and CWCB Review
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Town of Erie – Drought Management Plan Update

Updated Schedule – 50% Progress Report



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★ Workshops