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<b>Colorado Water Conservation Board</b>
<b>Water Supply Reserve Fund</b>
<b>Grant Application</b>

<b>Instructions</b>
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All WSRF grant applications shall conform to the current [2020 WSRF Criteria and Guidelines](#).

To receive funding from the WSRF, a proposed water activity must be recommended for approval by a Roundtable(s) **AND** the approved by the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB). The process for roundtable consideration and recommendation is outlined in the 2020 WSRF Criteria and Guidelines. The CWCB meets bimonthly.

If you have questions, please contact the WSRF Grant Program Manager (for all Roundtables) or your Roundtable Liaison:

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[ben.wade@state.co.us](mailto:ben.wade@state.co.us)  
 303-866-3441 x3238 (office)

Sam Stein  
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 303-866-3441 (office)

<b>WSRF Submittal Checklist (Required)</b>
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YES ☐ NO ☐ This request was recommended for CWCB approval by the sponsoring roundtable.

YES ☐ NO ☐ I have read and understand the [2020 WSRF Criteria and Guidelines](#).

YES ☐ NO ☐ Grantee will be able to contract with CWCB using the [Standard Contract](#).<sup>1</sup>

**Application Documents included:**

YES ☐ NO ☐ Exhibit A: Statement of Work<sup>2</sup> (Word – see Template)

YES ☐ NO ☐ Exhibit B: Budget & Schedule<sup>2</sup> (Excel Spreadsheet – see Template)

YES ☐ NO ☐ Letters of Matching and/or Pending 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Commitments<sup>2</sup>

YES ☐ NO ☐ Map<sup>2</sup>

YES ☐ NO ☐ Photos/Drawings/Reports

YES ☐ NO ☐ Letters of Support

**Contracting Documents<sup>3</sup>**

YES ☐ NO ☐ Detailed/Itemized Budget<sup>3</sup> (Excel Spreadsheet – see Template)

YES ☐ NO ☐ Certificate of Insurance<sup>4</sup> (General, Auto, & Workers' Comp.)

YES ☐ NO ☐ Certificate of Good Standing<sup>(4)</sup>

YES ☐ NO ☐ W-9 Form<sup>4</sup>

YES ☐ NO ☐ Independent Contractor Form<sup>4</sup> (If applicant is individual, not company/organization)

YES ☐ NO ☐ Electronic Funds Transfer (ETF) Form<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Click "Grant Agreements". For reference only/do not fill out or submit/required for contracting

<sup>2</sup> Required with application if applicable.

<sup>3</sup> Additional documentation providing a Detailed/Itemized Budget maybe required for contracting. Applicants are encouraged to coordinate with the CWCB Project Manager to determine specifics.

<sup>4</sup> Required for contracting. While optional at the time of this application, submission can expedite contracting upon CWCB Board approval.



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Schedule		
CWCB Meeting	Application Submittal Dates	Type of Request
January	October 1	Basin Account
March	December 1	Basin/Statewide Account/Water Plan Grant Match <sup>1</sup>
May	February 1	Basin Account
July	April 1	Basin Account
September	June 1	Basin/Statewide Account
November	August 1	Basin Account

<sup>1</sup> If either the basin or statewide match includes matching funds from a pending Water Plant Grant, both must be submitted by December 1st deadline for March Board meeting review.

Water Activity Summary		
Name of Applicant	Colorado Watershed Assembly	
Name of Water Activity	Water Education Coordination	
Approving Roundtable(s)		Basin Account Request(s) <sup>1</sup>
South Platte Roundtable		\$18,500
Metro Roundtable		\$18,500
Basin Account Request Subtotal		\$37,000
Basin Account Request Subtotal Approved by Roundtable		\$
Statewide Account Request <sup>(1)</sup>		\$0
Total WSRF Funds Requested (Basin & Statewide)		\$37,000
Total Project Costs		\$49,500

<sup>1</sup> Please indicate the amount recommended for approval by the Roundtable(s)

Grantee and Applicant Information	
Name of Grantee(s)	Colorado Watershed Assembly
Mailing Address	P.O. Box 460736
FEIN	84-1600089



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Grantee and Applicant Information	
<b>Grantee's Organization Contact<sup>1</sup></b>	Casey Davenhill
Position/Title	Executive Director
Email	casey@coloradowater.org
Phone	303-345-1675
<b>Grant Management Contact<sup>2</sup></b>	Casey Davenhill
Position/Title	Executive Director
Email	casey@coloradowater.org
Phone	303-345-1675
<b>Name of Applicant (if different than grantee)</b>	
Mailing Address	
Position/Title	
Email	
Phone	

<sup>1</sup> Person with signatory authority

<sup>2</sup> Person responsible for creating reimbursement invoices (Invoice for Services) and corresponding with CWCB staff.

Description of Grantee	
Provide a brief description of the grantee's organization (100 words or less).	
<p>The Colorado Watershed Assembly (CWA) is a 501 (c) 3 Not-for-Profit Colorado Corporation organized in 2001. With funding from government grants, contracts, private and foundation support CWA has provided services to local watershed groups for 20 years ranging from planning, data collection and management, grant-writing and meeting facilitation.</p> <p>CWA is recognized in the Colorado Water Plan as a statewide nonprofit organization with expertise in collaboration and engaging diverse stakeholders to promote informed discussion related to water supply planning and protection.</p>	
Type of Eligible Entity (check one)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Public (Government):</b> municipalities, enterprises, counties, and State of Colorado agencies. Federal agencies are encouraged to work with local entities. Federal agencies are eligible, but only if they can make a compelling case for why a local partner cannot be the grant recipient.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Public (Districts):</b> authorities, Title 32/special districts (conservancy, conservation, and irrigation districts), and water activity enterprises
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Private Incorporated:</b> mutual ditch companies, homeowners associations, corporations
<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Private Individuals, Partnerships, and Sole Proprietors:</b> are eligible for funding from the Basin Accounts but not for funding from the Statewide Account.



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Type of Eligible Entity (check one)	
X	<b>Non-governmental organizations:</b> broadly, any organization that is not part of the government
	<b>Covered Entity:</b> as defined in <a href="#">Section 37-60-126 Colorado Revised Statutes</a>

Type of Water Activity (check one)	
	Study
X	Implementation

Category of Water Activity (check all that apply)		
	Nonconsumptive (Environmental)	
	Nonconsumptive (Recreational)	
	Agricultural	
	Municipal/Industrial	
	Needs Assessment	
X	Education & Outreach	
	Other	Explain:

Location of Water Activity	
Please provide the general county and coordinates of the proposed activity below in <b>decimal degrees</b> . The Applicant shall also provide, in Exhibit C, a site map if applicable.	
County/Counties	
Latitude	
Longitude	

Water Activity Overview
<p>Please provide a summary of the proposed water activity (200 words or less). Include a description of the activity and what the WSRF funding will be used for specifically (e.g. studies, permitting, construction). Provide a description of the water supply source to be utilized or the water body affected by the activity. Include details such as acres under irrigation, types of crops irrigated, number of residential and commercial taps, length of ditch improvements, length of pipe installed, area of habitat improvements. If this project addresses multiple purposes or spans multiple basins, please explain.</p> <p>The Applicant shall also provide, in Exhibit A, a detailed Statement of Work, Budget, and Schedule.</p>



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Water Activity Overview
<p>Provide services to the South Platte Basin Roundtable and the Metro Roundtable to promote the the South Platte Basin Implementation Plan (BIP) and the Colorado Water Plan (CWP), to achieve the goals identified in the joint Education Action Plan (EAP), and to support the efforts of the Education Committee, the Environment and Recreation Committee and other Committees created to facilitate the Basin Implementation Plan Update.</p> <p>In the 2021 Education Action Plan we have identified tasks which have formed the basis for Public Education Participation and Outreach (PEPO) for the two Roundtables since 2018. <b>Coordination and Facilitation</b> –engage and inform Roundtable leadership, BIP Work Groups, PEPO liaisons and SWEAP <b>Communication</b> – promote the 7-minute video “South Platte River Synergies”; maintain and update southplattebasin.com website, social media curation, creating articles for publication and reports to Roundtables, PEPO and CWCB. <b>Outreach</b> – leverage existing outreach network and messaging to promote the goals of the Basin Implementation Plan and the Colorado Water Plan; curate social media posts and respond to stakeholder inquiries. We propose utilizing print and other social media to promote the LLYLI message to rural and agricultural communities. <b>Project Management</b> – communicate the annual plan, records maintenance, reporting and leveraging Water Supply Reserve Funds for outreach.</p>

Measurable Results		
To catalog measurable results achieved with WSRF funds please provide any of the following values.		
	New Storage Created (acre-feet)	
	New Annual Water Supplies Developed or Conserved (acre-feet), Consumptive or Nonconsumptive	
	Existing Storage Preserved or Enhanced (acre-feet)	
	Length of Stream Restored or Protected (linear feet)	
	Efficiency Savings (indicate acre-feet/year OR dollars/year)	
	Area of Restored or Preserved Habitat (acres)	
	Length of Pipe/Canal Built or Improved (linear feet)	
X	Other	Explain: An engaged network of informed individuals and organizations with an understanding of the goals of the South Platte Basin Implementation Plan and the Colorado Water Plan.

Water Activity Justification
<p>Provide a description of how this water activity supports the goals of <a href="#">Colorado’s Water Plan</a>, the most recent <a href="#">Statewide Water Supply Initiative</a>, and the respective <a href="#">roundtable Basin Implementation Plan and Education Action Plan</a> <sup>(1)</sup>. The Applicant is required to reference specific needs, goals, themes, or Identified Projects and Processes (IPPs), including citations (e.g. document, chapters, sections, or page numbers).</p> <p>For applications that include a request for funds from the Statewide Account, the proposed water activity shall be evaluated based upon how well the proposal conforms to Colorado’s Water Plan criteria for state support (CWP, Section 9.4, pp. 9-43 to 9-44;) (Also listed pp. 4-5 in <a href="#">2020 WSRF Criteria and Guidelines</a>).</p>

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### Water Activity Justification

The Colorado Watershed Assembly (CWA) is recognized in Section 9 of the Colorado Water Plan as a statewide nonprofit organization with expertise in collaboration and engaging diverse stakeholders to promote informed discussion related to water supply planning. This request is for funds that will be used to conduct targeted Basin Implementation Plan (BIP) outreach and internal Roundtable coordination, general Colorado Water Plan (CWP) outreach, and will provide mechanisms to gauge public knowledge of the BIP and CWP. Activities will be guided by our combined SPRT/MRT Education Action Plan (EAP).

With guidance from the Strategic Communications Plan, referenced in Section 4.1.3 of the Colorado Water Plan, CWA will communicate projects and information about the South Platte Watershed, Colorado Water Plan, and Basin Implementation Plan to key stakeholders using the appropriate communication tools (social, one-on-one, press, southplattebasin.com, email) for each target audience.

By engaging specific expertise of CWA staff and professional contractors we will provide leadership and facilitation for internal and external education that directly supports the overall objectives described in the Education Action Plan, BIP and CWP. CWA helped to create the PUBLIC OPINIONS ON WATER QUALITY ISSUES, Corona Insights, 2015 and has significant experience using a watershed approach to communicate water quality issues and the relationship between water quality and supply. The CWP notes the importance of this approach in Section 9.

As noted in the October, 2020 joint meeting of the Interbasin Compact Committee and the various Roundtable Public Education, Participation and Outreach Liaisons, increased coordination and communication among Roundtable Liaisons will be desirable as the Basin Implementation Plan and Colorado Water Plan update processes move forward in 2021. The guidance and participation of the Interbasin Compact Committee will promote the Public Education, Participation and Outreach efforts of the Roundtables. Funds in this request anticipate increased statewide engagement as noted in the October meeting as well as coordination with the Statewide Education Action Plan.

The South Platte basin is home to nearly 3.5 million residents. This number is rapidly increasing expected to reach 6 million by 2050. We are home to Colorado State University, University of Colorado, Metropolitan State University, Colorado School of Mines, Colorado College and the Colorado Community College system. Numerous cultural and non-governmental organizations including nature, history and science museums, art and culture venues, professional associations and recreational resources provide opportunities to reach thousands of interested citizens. Northern Water, Denver Water, Aurora Water and other local municipal water providers have newsletter and outreach programs to publish press releases and articles created to inform Coloradans and visitors. As noted in Section 9 of the CWP, leveraging existing education and outreach efforts and materials is crucial to providing a consistent message and is the wise investment. The South Platte and Metro Roundtables recognize the importance of leveraging resources and has worked efficiently with CWA which has a history of effective networking and facilitation.

CWA will provide regular progress reports to the South Platte Basin Roundtable and the Metro Roundtable, establish sound working relationships and cooperative arrangements with watershed stakeholders and enhance collaboration among those with goals that align with those from the CWP and BIP, represent the SPRT and MRT at community events, compile and create outreach materials that can be used in future education and outreach efforts by the SPRT and MRT members, and respond to stakeholder inquiries.

Funds will also be used to support the upkeep and maintenance of the S. Platte Basin web page: [www.southplattebasin.com](http://www.southplattebasin.com), to provide necessary materials and supplies to accomplish the objectives noted above and to provide communications and travel reimbursement to a professional contractor. The website can be a tool to establish metrics to evaluate the success and effectiveness of statewide and basin-level communication and will serve as an archive for important stories and reports. (CWP Section 9)

Recognizing that there is always competition for funds for worthy causes, this request is made with the understanding that CWA will also endeavor to identify opportunities, through additional grants or other funding, to leverage the WSRF grant for this position and to research and apply for additional funding to advance the SPRT and MRT priorities identified in the EAP, BIP and CWP.

<sup>1</sup> Access Basin Implementation Plans or Education Action Plans from Basin drop down menu.

### Matching Requirements: Basin Account Requests

**Basin (only) Account** grant requests require a 25% match (cash and/or in-kind) from the Applicant or 3<sup>rd</sup> party and shall be accompanied by a **letter of commitment** as described in the [2020 WSRF Criteria and Guidelines](#) (submitted on the contributing entity's letterhead). Attach additional sheet if necessary.

Contributing Entity	Amount and Form of Match (note cash or in-kind)
Cherry Creek Stewardship Partners	\$ 9,250



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Matching Requirements: Basin Account Requests	
Cherry Creek Basin Water Quality Authority – Letter of Support	
Colorado Watershed Assembly	\$ 3,250
Colorado Watershed Assembly Letter of Support	
Total Match	\$12,500
If you requested a Waiver to the Basin Account matching requirements, indicate the percentage you wish waived.	

Matching Requirements: Statewide Account Requests	
<b>Statewide Account</b> grant requests require a 50% match as described in the <a href="#">2020 WSRF Criteria and Guidelines</a> . At least of 10% of the required Statewide Account Grant request match shall be cash from Basin Account funds whether that is from one or multiple basins; and the remaining 40% of the required match may be provided from any source, including other grants, cash from the Basin Account, or any combination of cash, in-kind services, or in-kind materials. and shall be accompanied by a <b>letter of commitment</b> . Attach additional sheet if necessary.	
Contributing Entity	Amount and Form of Match (note cash or in-kind):
Total Match	\$
If you requested a Waiver to the Statewide Account matching, indicate % you wish waived. (Max 50% reduction of requirement).	

Related Studies
Please provide a list of any related studies, including if the water activity is complimentary to or assists in the implementation of other CWCB programs.



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#### Related Studies

Nonpoint Source Survey 2007 (Copy available upon request)

Colorado Water Education Task Force, 2008 (Copy available upon request)

Basin Roundtable Education Survey Report 2010 (Copy available upon request)

Xcelente Research Report for Denver Water – A Survey of Denver Latinos and African Americans, 2010 (available)

Colorado's Water Future: A Communications Roadmap for Enhancing the Value of Water, 2011 (available upon request)

Follow-up to Nonpoint Source Survey 2015 (Copy available upon request)

Metro and South Platte BIP Messaging Workshop Videos (available upon request)

Results of the 2019 Survey of Colorado Agricultural Producers on Watershed and Stream Management Plans, June, 2019 (available upon request)

#### Previous CWCB Grants

List all previous or current CWCB grants (including WSRF) awarded to both the Applicant and Grantee. Include: 1) Applicant name; 2) Water activity name; 3) Approving RT(s); 4) CWCB board meeting date; 5) Contract number or purchase order

Colorado Watershed Assembly, Water Education Coordinator, South Platte and Metro RTs, 03/2019, POGG1 201900002732

Colorado Watershed Assembly, Water Education Coordinator, South Platte and Metro RTs, 09/2017, POGG1 201800000202

Colorado Watershed Assembly, Emergency Watershed Protection, CWCB, Board Meeting: N/A, POGG1 201800000787

Colorado Watershed Assembly, Public Outreach Public Participation, CWCB, Board Meeting: N/A, POGG1 201800000841

Colorado Watershed Assembly, Healthy Rivers Fund, CWCB, Board Meeting: N/A, POGG1 201800000496

#### Tax Payer Bill of Rights

The Tax Payer Bill of Rights (TABOR) may limit the amount of grant money an entity can receive. Please describe any relevant TABOR issues that may affect the applicant.

N/A





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**Water Supply Reserve Fund  
Water Activity Summary Sheet  
March 10-11, 2021  
Consent Agenda Item 2(g)**

**Applicant & Grantee:** Colorado Watershed Assembly  
**Water Activity Name:** Water Education Coordination  
**Water Activity Purpose:** Education & Outreach - Implementation  
**County:** All Counties in the Metro/South Platte Basins  
**Drainage Basin:** South Platte  
**Water Source:** N/A  
**Amount Requested:** \$18,500 Metro Basin Account  
\$18,500 South Platte Basin Account  
\$37,000 Total Request  
  
**Matching Funds:** Total Match = \$12,500 (\$9,250 cash & \$3,250 in-kind)  
• 25% of total project costs (meets 25% min)

Staff Recommendation:
Staff recommends approval of up to \$18,500 from the Metro Basin Account, and up to \$18,500 from the South Platte Basin Account to help fund the project: Water Education Coordination

**Water Activity Summary:** If approved, WSRF funds would help the applicant provide services to the South Platte Basin Roundtable and the Metro Roundtable and promoting the Basin Implementation Plan (BIP) and the Colorado Water Plan (CWP). Funding would help achieve the goals identified in the Metro and South Platte Basins joint Education Action Plan (EAP), and to support the efforts of the Education Committee, the Environment and Recreation Committee and other Committees created to facilitate the Basin Implementation Plan Update.

The 2021 Education Action Plan has identified tasks which have formed the basis for Public Education Participation and Outreach (PEPO) for the two Roundtables since 2018. These tasks include: Coordination and Facilitation; engage and inform Roundtable leadership, BIP Work Groups, PEPO liaisons and SWEAP Communication; promote the seven minute video "South Platte River Synergies"; maintain and update southplattebasin.com website, social media curation; creating articles for publication and reports to Roundtables, PEPO and CWCB; leveraging existing outreach network and messaging to promote the goals of the Basin Implementation Plan and the Colorado Water Plan; curate social media posts and respond to stakeholder inquiries. Finally, the applicant proposes utilizing printed materials and other social media to engage rural and agricultural communities.

**Discussion:** This proposal meets the South Platte Basin Implementation Plan's education and outreach goals. The proposal also will further advance Colorado's Water Plan to engage and educate Coloradoans regarding critical water issues.

**Issues/Additional Needs:** No issues or additional needs have been identified.

**Eligibility Requirements:** The application meets requirements of all eligibility components.

**Evaluation Criteria:** Staff has determined this activity satisfies the Evaluation Criteria.

<b>Funding Sources/Match</b>	<b>Cash</b>	<b>In-Kind</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Status</b>
Cherry Creek Stewardship Partners	\$9,250	\$0	\$9,250	Secured
Colorado Watershed Assembly	\$0	\$3,250	\$3,250	Secured
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$9,250</b>	<b>\$3,250</b>	<b>\$12,500</b>	
WSRF Metro Basin Account	\$18,500	\$0	\$18,500	Secured
WSRF South Platte Basin Account	\$18,500	\$0	\$18,500	Secured
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$37,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$37,000</b>	
<b>Total Project Costs</b>	<b>\$49,500</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$49,500</b>	

**CWCB Project Manager:** Ben Wade

November 23, 2020

Ben Wade - WSRF Application  
Colorado Water Conservation Board  
1313 Sherman St., Room 721  
Denver, CO 80203

Re: South Platte Basin Education Coordinator

Dear Mr. Wade,

The Metro Roundtable voted at its November 12, 2020 meeting, to approve a grant application for "South Platte Basin Education Coordination" **proposed by the Colorado Watershed Assembly**. The Roundtable unanimously approved \$18,500 from the Metro WSRF. This is a joint request with the South Platte Roundtable which also approved a request for \$18,500 at their November 10, 2020 meeting. **There is no request for Statewide WSRF funding. The applicant's request for \$37,000 will be presented for consideration at the CWCB's January 2018 board meeting.**

The Roundtable underwent an evaluation and approval process, and believes this application meets the Threshold and Evaluation Criteria for the WSRF Grant Program and will assist in meeting the water supply needs identified in the basin **roundtable's consumptive and/or non-consumptive needs assessments**. This request specifically recognizes that familiarity **with the South Platte's water issues by regulatory agencies, elected officials, the business community, and the general public will bolster Colorado's ability to maintain sustainable water supplies.**

As noted in the South **Platte Basin Implementation Plan, Section 4.1.3: "The South Platte Basin is home to 80% of the State's population and accounts for 80% of the State's** economy and tax base. It is an area with great diversity both economically and demographically that is facing 75% of the projected statewide municipal water supply gap. This Basin deserves and needs an intensive education, participation and outreach program designed to generate a lasting baseline of public awareness and support.

The Scope of Work proposed in this application acknowledges the need for professional support to accomplish a variety of tasks identified in our 2019 Education Action Plan. The Scope of Work also reflects the fact that CWCB is in the process of developing a statewide Education Action Plan (SWEAP). We plan to maintain the energy and coordination for the Public Education, Participation, and Outreach (PEPO) Workgroup bringing the South Platte perspective to the statewide public education initiative. By funding this request the WSRF will be supporting a focused and professional effort acknowledging local interests and defining local priorities.

During the evaluation and approval process, there were no dissenting votes or opinions expressed and there was a quorum present.

This letter is intended to fulfill Threshold Criteria B (Part III 1.b. in the WSRF Application). The full WSRF Application will be provided separately by the applicant. Please let me know if you need any additional information. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Barbara Biggs, Chairwoman  
Metro Roundtable

November 23, 2020

Ben Wade - WSRF Application  
Colorado Water Conservation Board  
1313 Sherman St., Room 721  
Denver, CO 80203

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Sincerely,



Garrett Varra, Chair  
South Platte Roundtable



**Cherry Creek Basin Water Quality Authority**

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303.968.9098

cherrycreekbasin.org

November 2, 2020

Colorado Water Conservation Board  
Water Supply Reserve Fund Grant Applications  
1313 Sherman Street, Room 718  
Denver, CO 80203

Re: Letter of Commitment, Colorado Watershed Assembly WSRF Grant Application, December 2020

Grant Review Team:

The Cherry Creek Basin Water Quality Authority supports the WSRF grant application submitted by the Colorado Watershed Assembly, and particularly matching funds provided for this grant application by the Cherry Creek Stewardship Partners.

CCBWQA has contracted with the Cherry Creek Stewardship Partners since the mid-2000s, to assist CCBWQA's Education and Information requirements pursuant to CRS 25-8.5-101 et seq. as well as Cherry Creek Reservoir's Control Regulation 72. As part of this grant application, the Stewardship Partners intend to provide matching funds for Colorado Watershed Assembly staff to participate in the South Platte and Metro Basin Roundtables. In turn, information gleaned from Colorado Watershed Assembly staff's participation, the Stewardship Partners can bring Roundtable Education and Information back to CCBWQA, its Member Entities, and others.

Thank you for considering the Colorado Watershed Assembly's Application.

Sincerely,

*Chuck Reid*

Chuck Reid  
Manager



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**CHERRY CREEK  
STEWARDSHIP PARTNERS**  
[www.cherry-creek.org](http://www.cherry-creek.org)

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November 1, 2020

Colorado Water Conservation Board

Re: Letter of Commitment  
Colorado Watershed Assembly WSRF Grant Application  
December, 2020

Greetings,

This letter is to serve as evidence of the commitment to collaboration that exists within the Cherry Creek watershed in support of the grant application referenced above. In 2013, Casey Davenhill, Director of the Cherry Creek Stewardship Partners (Partners) was invited to participate in the Metro Roundtable and to take part in the Public Education, Participation and Outreach Committee. The Partners enjoy a unique position in the Cherry Creek watershed drawing upon support from the Cherry Creek Basin Water Quality Authority, Cherry Creek and Castlewood Canyon State Parks, Douglas, Arapahoe and the City and County of Denver and other municipal land use agencies to promote a consistent message of active stewardship for our valuable natural resource heritage.

The Partners want to support the ongoing effort to engage elected officials and citizens in understanding and advancing the goals of the Colorado Water Plan. To that end, the Partners intend to provide matching funds to compensate for staff time and travel to attend meetings of the Metro and South Platte Roundtables and to participate in other regional public engagement efforts. We expect this support to be not less than \$9,250 over the term of the grant work plan.

Our popular annual conference has been, and will continue to be, an opportunity to engaged with our informed constituency and provide a venue for Colorado Water Plan and Basin Implementation Plan discussions.

The Cherry Creek watershed is home to a growing community that has a strong interest in their future water supply. The Cherry Creek community also has shown a strong commitment to protecting water quality and the agricultural, recreational and conservation values of the local landscape, especially our stream corridors. The Cherry Creek Basin Water Quality Authority is proud to be part of the collaborative land use efforts that have resulted in some of the most effective and innovative stream reclamation projects in Colorado. The Partners are proud to highlight those projects and share lessons learned with the broader watershed network of Roundtable participation throughout the state. We welcome news and support the goals of the Roundtables to ensure a varied and vibrant economy, maintain efficient water infrastructure and protect a landscape that includes healthy watersheds, rivers and streams and active communities.

Sincerely,

Casey Davenhill  
Cherry Creek Stewardship Partners

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*Cherry Creek Basin Water Quality Authority...Arapahoe County...Douglas County...City and County of Denver...City of Aurora...City of Centennial...City of Glendale...City of Greenwood Village...City of Lone Tree...Town of Castle Rock...Town of Parker...Parker Jordan Metropolitan District...US Army Corps of Engineers...USGS...USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service...Metropolitan State University-One World One Water...Colorado Parks and Wildlife...Mile High Flood District...Southeast Metro Stormwater Authority...Douglas County Stormwater Coop...American Public Works Association...Audubon Society of Greater Denver...Colorado Trout Unlimited...Colorado Science and Engineering Fair...The Greenway Foundation...High Line Canal Preservation Association...Colorado Horse Council, Inc...Cherry Creek Valley Historical Society...Cherry Creek Marina...AlpineEco Nursery...AMEC...The Architerria Group...Jacobs...ERO Resources Corporation...J3 Engineering...JRS Engineering...Leonard Rice Engineers...Pinyon Environmental...ERO Resources... Muller Engineering Company, Inc...RESPEC Consulting...RG & Associates... Stream Landscape...Waste Management...Wright Water Engineers...Valerian, LLC*