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- TO: Colorado Water Conservation Board Members
- FROM: Rob Viehl, Chief Stream and Lake Protection Section
- **DATE:** May 19, 2021
- AGENDA ITEM: 5. Public Comment on 2021 Instream Flow Appropriations in Water Divisions 2 and 4

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

Background: At its March 10, 2021 meeting, the Board declared its intent to appropriate three 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). Staff provided notice to the ISF Subscription Mailing list of the proposed appropriations on March 16, 2021. Detailed information regarding these stream segments is available on the CWCB website located at: <u>https://cwcb.colorado.gov/2021-isf-recommendations</u>

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 June 1, 2021. Staff will ask the Board to take final action on all uncontested ISF appropriations at its July 2021 meeting.

Div	Stream	Watershed	County	Length (miles)	Upper Terminus (UTM)	Lower Terminus (UTM)	Flow Rate, cfs (Timing)
2	East Fork Arkansas River	Arkansas Headwaters	Lake	6.46	headwaters in the vicinity of: E: 399540.97 N:4353749.78	confl Chalk Creek at E: 394793.07 N: 4356126.94	0.25 (12/16 - 04/30) 7 (05/01 - 07/31) 2.8 (08/01 - 09/20) 0.7 (09/21 - 12/15)
4	Cow Creek	Uncompahgre	Ouray	7.4	confl Lou Creek at E: 265665.02 N: 4231002.60	confl Uncompahgre River at E: 258039.02 N: 4237591.58	7.2 (01/01 - 03/31) 20 (04/01 - 04/30) 53 (05/01 - 06/30) 20 (07/01 - 07/31) 15 (08/01 - 08/15) 7.2 (08/16 - 08/28) 5.9 (08/29 - 09/19) 7.2 (09/20 - 12/31)
4	Wildcat Creek	East-Taylor	Gunnison	2.48	outlet of Green Lake at E: 323800.20 N: 4301420.95	confl Coal Creek at E: 325687.24 N: 4304206.95	0.35 (12/01 - 03/31) 0.65 (04/01 - 04/30) 2.1 (05/01 - 08/31) 0.6 (09/01 - 11/30)

Proposed Instream Flow Appropriations



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