

Colorado Water Conservation Board  
Department of Natural Resources  
1313 Sherman Street Room 721  
Denver, Colorado 80203  
Attn: Alex Funk

August 1, 2021

RE: CWP GRANTS – [POGG1, PDAA, 201900002510]  
Acequia Initiative AG Project - Final Report

Dear Alex,

Enclosed please find our final report for POGG1 201900002510, Colorado Water Plan Grant– Acequia Initiative Ag Project.

Thanks for everything and if I can be of further assistance please let me know.



Judy Lopez  
Colorado Open Lands  
SLV Conservation Program Director

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Acequia Initiative AG Project

Final Report: August 1, 2021

The Acequia AG Initiative used \$300,000 from the NRCS Regional Conservation Partnership program and combined that with \$75,000 from the Colorado Water Plan Grant – Ag Program and were able to improve irrigation for 12 historically underserved landowners in the small acequia communities in and around San Luis Colorado. The project improved irrigation on 964.8 acres.

The projects included installation of 9 gated pipe projects, two land leveling projects to improve irrigation efficiency, and 8 head-gate projects. We were able to get the projects approved and contracted with NRCS and while 6 projects remain the will be forwarded to the next RCPP round and if compliant under the NRCS ruling will be funded in our second CWP grant round.

This program has helped this set of agricultural producers improve their long-term sustainability.

