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Colorado Water Conservation Board

Department of Natural Resources
1313 Sherman Street, Room 718
Denver, CO 80203

September 27, 2021

Randy & Lori Hobbs
Deutsche Domestic Water Company
P.O. Box 45
Crawford, CO 81415

Dear Randy & Lori:

This letter is to inform you that the Water Supply Planning staff has reviewed your grant application to develop a Drought Management Plan. CWCB staff has determined that the application meets the Colorado Water Conservation Board Guidelines for reviewing grant proposals.

CWCB staff is pleased to award the Deutsche Domestic Water Company a grant in the amount of **\$20,000** for a Drought Management Planning grant that meets the requirements outlined in SB07-008. **Please allow for the purchase order (P.O.) to be completed by our Accounting Department, before starting on proposed scope of work.**

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Ben Wade at 303-866-3441 ext. 3238 or email at ben.wade@state.co.us. Thank you for your interest in and support of water conservation. I look forward to working with you in the near future.

Sincerely,

Russ Sands
Section Chief, Water Supply Planning

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Memorandum

To: Rebecca Mitchell, CWCB Director

From: Ben Wade, Water Supply Planning

Date: July 16, 2021

Subject: Water Efficiency Grant Fund Recommendation for the Deutsche Domestic Water Company

Summary of Grant Application

The Deutsche Domestic Water Company (DDWC) is a privately owned *non-covered entity in the Gunnison Basin whose water supplies come from the Smith Fork of the Gunnison River. The applicant currently provides water to over 100 homes in their service area in Delta County and the Division 4 Water Court granted them the ability to serve up to 150 homes due to increasing population growth.

DDWC has a goal of saving an estimated 20% of total water use or 7 acre feet during a drought depending on the drought stage using short-term strategies they select while developing the Plan. The company also has expressed interest in developing and implementing a future Water Efficiency Plan.

The total cost of the project is \$40,000. DDWC is committing 50% matching funds in the form of \$15,000 of in-kind services and \$5,000 in cash. CWCB staff has reviewed and evaluated the grant application and has determined that the proposal meets or exceeds the CWCB guidelines for reviewing grant proposals. Attached is the internal checklist used to evaluate the application.

*Note: A "covered entity" is defined as each municipality, agency, utility, including any privately owned utility, or other publicly owned entity with a legal obligation to supply, distribute, or otherwise provide water at retail to domestic, commercial, industrial, or public facility customers, and that has a total demand for such customers of two thousand acre feet or more, per Section 37-60-126(1)(b) of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.).



Name of Applicant: Deutsche Domestic Water Company, Inc.

Date Received: June 5, 2021

Grant Request: \$20,000

HB 04-1365: Evaluation Checklist (DMP)

Applicant Demonstrates:	Yes	No	Comments:
That it is a covered entity		x	
If answered “no” to the above question, then is it an entity which will soon become a covered entity?		x	
(Only answer this question if the applicant is <u>NOT</u> currently a “covered” entity) Did they provide a reasonable engineering estimate of future annual retail demand for the next 3-5 yrs. , all based on population projections, building permits, expected new taps, and or some other creditable information that would show that the entity will become a “covered” entity	x		Over the next 5 years, the DDWC would only deliver over 36 acre feet, far below the threshold to become a covered entity.
Disclosure of organizational structure/chart	x		
Current retail water demand for <i>each</i> of the past five years (in acre ft. or million gallons)	x		Pg 4 – average delivery is 61 af/yr
Application Requirements:	_____	_____	_____
A list of people and/or organizations that will be involved in assisting with putting the plan together (list of who will be utilizing the grant money)	x		
Not required , but preferred, Information characterizing past water use by sector, (e.g. residential, commercial, industrial) and the source (e.g. surface water, groundwater, etc).	x		Pg 4 – Residential, commercial, irrigation & livestock
Characterization of the water system:			
Current (and <i>if available</i> past) per capita water use for the last five years and the basis for this calculation	x		Pg 4
Past, current, and predicted future population served by the entity, (and the source of this information)	x		4% growth out to 2031
List of Estimated water savings goals to be achieved. List of drought planning objectives to be achieved in this process.	x		20% savings or approx. 7 af/yr
Description of the impacts experienced by the entity, during the 2002-03, 2012-13, 2018, and 2020 droughts. Include short term and long term impacts, as well as social and economic impacts where applicable and as feasible.	x		
A detailed narrative (description) of tasks to be performed with grant monies including a detailed “scope of work” can combine this item with the timeline described below	x		Revised scope mirrors guidance document
The “Plans” timeline, stating milestones with dates and end products with dates; also state the estimated dates when progress reports will be submitted to CWCB staff (25%, 50% & 75% completion)	x		

Detailed budget including consultant/hour fees. List of how the creation of the “plan” will be funded; list grants, entities funds, and/or in-kind services	x		
Does the applicant demonstrate 25% matching funds? In cash, in-kind services, or through payment of consulting fees or a combination thereof?	x		Project Cost = \$40,000 Cash = \$5,000 In-Kind = \$15,000 Match = 50%
Description of Plan public review process. Including period of time the draft plan will be made available, the method of public notice and the process for soliciting public comments	x		Task 8 of Scope of Work

Summary – CWCB comments and request for additions/change