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AGENDA ITEM: 12. Public Comment on 2022 ISF Appropriations in Water Divisions 4, 5, and 6

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

Background: At its January 24, 2022 meeting, the Board declared its intent to appropriate seven instream flow (ISF) water rights. The purpose of this agenda item is to provide notice to the public of these proposed appropriations (see Table 1), 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 January 31, 2022. Detailed information regarding these stream segments is available on the CWCB website located at: https://cwcb.colorado.gov/2022-isf-recommendations

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 March 31, 2022. Staff may ask the Board to take final action on all uncontested ISF appropriations at its May 2022 meeting.

Table 1

Div	Stream	Watershed	County	Length (miles)	Upper Terminus	Lower Terminus	Flow Rate cfs/ Timing
4	Italian Creek (Increase)	East-Taylor	Gunnison	2.42	Confluence South Italian Creek	confluence Taylor River	0.7 (04/01 - 10/31)
4	Lottis Creek (Increase)	East-Taylor	Gunnison	10.33	headwaters	confluence Taylor River	2.1 (04/01 - 10/31)
4	Spring Creek	San Miguel	Montrose	7.47	headwaters	Crabtree Ditch headgate	1.1 (03/15 - 05/31)
5	Kinney Creek (Increase)	Colorado headwaters	Grand	6.31	headwaters	confluence McQueary Creek	0.7 (05/01 - 07/15)
5	Spruce Creek (Increase)	Blue	Grand Summit	3.54	headwaters	Hoagland Canal headgate	0.4 (04/15 - 06/30)
6	Deep Creek	Upper Yampa	Routt	2.45	headwaters	confluence Steamboat Lake	0.3 (10/01 - 04/30) 2.5 (05/01 - 07/31) 0.95 (08/01 - 09/30)
6	Watson Creek	Upper Yampa	Routt	5.86	confluence Moody Creek	Hardscrabble Ditch headgate	1.1 (08/16 - 03/31) 1.9 (04/01 - 06/21)

