

Consent Agenda Item 1.e

March 13-14, 2024 Board Meeting

Case No. 23CW3205 (Water Division 5); Upper Eagle Regional Water Authority

Summary of Water Court Application

Application for Approval of Plan for Augmentation.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends that the Board ratify the filing of a Statement of Opposition filed on behalf of the Board in February 2024 to protect CWCB's instream flow water rights.

CWCB Instream Flow Water Rights

The CWCB holds water rights, including the following instream flow water rights in Water Division 5 in the Eagle River Watershed, that could be injured by this application:

Case Number	Stream	Upper Terminus	Lower Terminus	CFS Rate (Dates)	Approp. Date
80CW0124	Eagle River	confl Brush Creek	confl Colorado River	50 (10/1 - 4/30) 130 (5/1 - 9/30)	03/17/1980
80CW0126	Eagle River	confl Lake Creek	confl Brush Creek	45 (10/1 - 4/30) 110 (5/1 - 9/30)	03/17/1980
80CW0134	Eagle River	confl Gore Creek	confl Lake Creek	35 (10/1 - 4/30) 85 (5/1 - 9/30)	03/17/1980

Potential for Injury

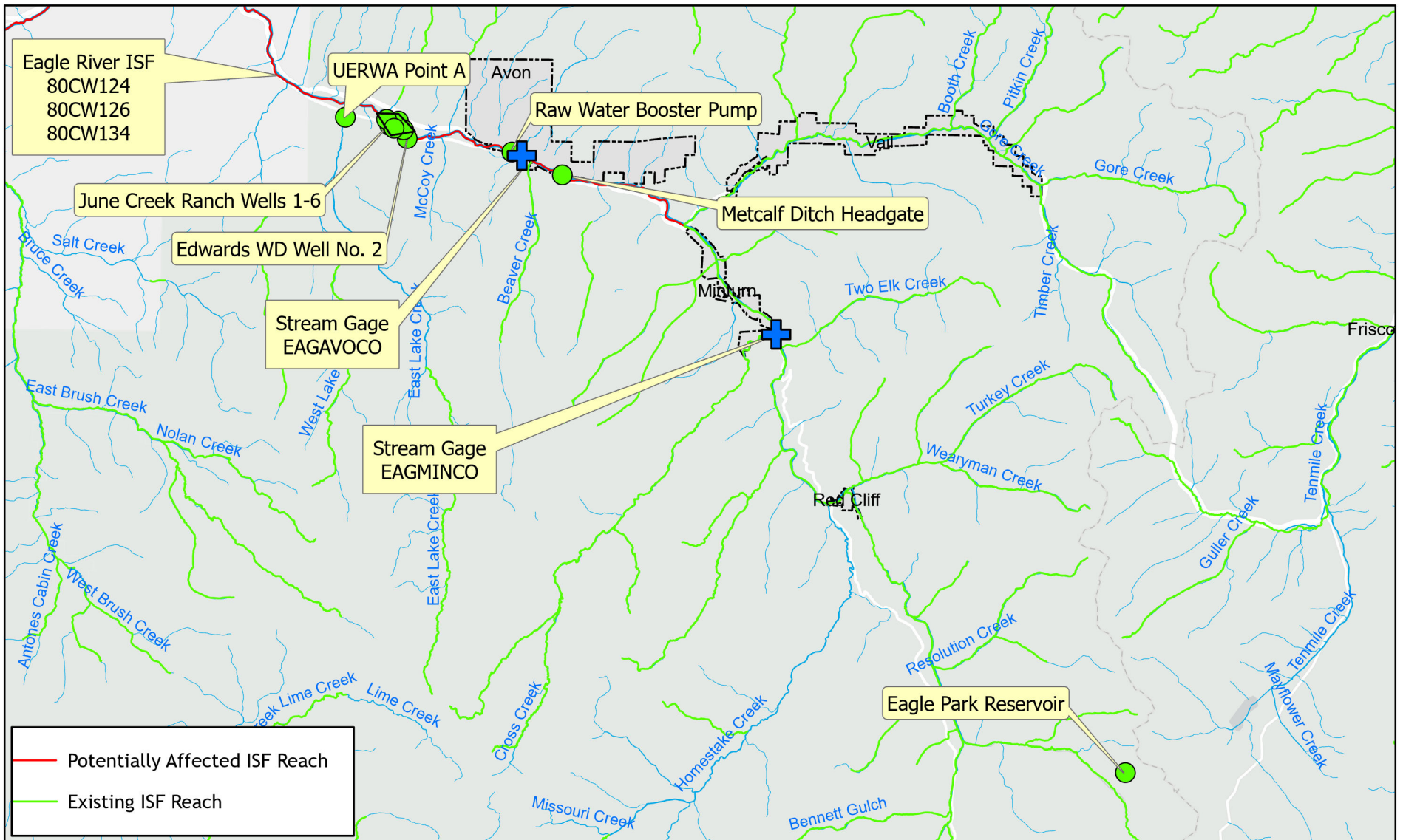
- The proposed plan for augmentation may not replace depletions in the proper time, place, and amount, which could injure the CWCB's instream flow water rights.
- Terms and conditions should be included in the decree to ensure that the proposed decree will not injure the CWCB's instream flow water rights.

Other Objectors

Statements of Opposition were also filed by: Lake Creek Metropolitan District; Homestake Partners, by and through the Homestake Steering Committee; The City of Colorado Springs, acting by and through its Enterprise, Colorado Springs Utilities ("Colorado Springs"); and The City of Aurora, acting by and through its Utilities Enterprise, Aurora Water ("Aurora").

Attorney Representing CWCB

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