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### Colorado Water Conservation Board

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 718  
Denver, CO 80203

To: Erin Light, Division Engineer

From: Robert Viehl, Stream and Lake Protection Section  
Colorado Water Conservation Board

Re: Request for Administration of Instream Flow Water Rights on the Elk River

Date: September 4, 2024

Dear Erin:

On behalf of the Colorado Water Conservation Board, I am requesting administration of the Board's instream flow water rights on the following segments of the Elk River, in Water District 58, to preserve the natural environment to a reasonable degree:

Case No.	Upper Terminus	Lower Terminus	Amount (cfs)	Appropriation Date	WDID
77W1279	confl NF Elk River	confl Rock Creek	65 (1/1 - 12/31)	9/23/1977	5802219
77W1331	confl Rock Creek	confl Yampa River	65 (1/1 - 12/31)	9/23/1977	5801355

The ELK RIVER NEAR MILNER, CO., gage indicates flow conditions are below the minimum for the decreed water rights listed above. The Board is requesting administration to ensure that water up to the full decreed amount of these water right may made available based on the priority system. The effective date of this call is September 4, 2024 and the call is to be in effect until the end of the current irrigation year.

Sincerely:

Robert Viehl  
Chief, Stream and Lake Protection Section  
Colorado Water Conservation Board

CC: Brian Romig, Yampa River Operations Coordinator

