



Colorado Water Conservation Board

## Water Plan

### Water Project Summary

Name of Applicant	Trout Unlimited_Montrose
Name of Water Project	Planning and Capacity to Enhance River Stewardship and Recreation across Colorado's Rivers
Grant Request Amount	<b>\$150,000.00</b>
Primary Category	\$150,000.00
<i>Watershed Health &amp; Recreation</i>	
Total Applicant Match	<b>\$10,000.00</b>
<i>Applicant Cash Match</i>	
<i>Applicant In-Kind Match</i>	\$10,000.00
Total Other Sources of Funding	<b>\$304,968.00</b>
<i>Great Outdoors Colorado</i>	\$266,968.00
<i>Colorado Water Conservation Board via American Whitewater</i>	\$38,000.00
Total Project Cost	<b>\$464,968.00</b>

### Applicant & Grantee Information

Name of Grantee: Trout Unlimited_Montrose
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### Description of Grantee/Applicant

No description provided

### Type of Eligible Entity

- ☐ Public (Government)
- ☐ Public (District)
- ☐ Public (Municipality)
- ☐ Ditch Company
- ☐

- ☒ Private Incorporated
- ☐ Private Individual, Partnership, or Sole Proprietor
- ☒ Non-governmental Organization
- ☐ Covered Entity
- ☐ Other

### Category of Water Project

- ☐ Agricultural Projects  
*Developing communications materials that specifically work with and educate the agricultural community on headwater restoration, identifying the state of the science of this type of work to assist agricultural users among others.*
- ☐ Conservation & Land Use Planning  
*Activities and projects that implement long-term strategies for conservation, land use, and drought planning.*
- ☐ Engagement & Innovation Activities  
*Activities and projects that support water education, outreach, and innovation efforts. Please fill out the Supplemental Application on the website.*
- ☒ Watershed Restoration & Recreation  
*Projects that promote watershed health, environmental health, and recreation.*
- ☐ Water Storage & Supply  
*Projects that facilitate the development of additional storage, artificial aquifer recharge, and dredging existing reservoirs to restore the reservoirs' full decreed capacity and Multi-beneficial projects and those projects identified in basin implementation plans to address the water supply and demand gap.*

### Location of Water Project

Latitude 39.751355  
 Longitude -105.000303  
 Lat Long Flag Default/Proponent headquarters: If the location cannot be defined with flags above, use location of project proponent headquarters  
 Water Source  
 Basins North Platte; Yampa/White/Green; Southwest; South Platte; Rio Grande; Metro; Gunnison; Colorado; ...  
 Counties Chaffee; Gunnison; Delta  
 Districts

### Water Project Overview

Major Water Use Type  
 Type of Water Project Planning  
 Scheduled Start Date - Design 12/1/2025  
 Scheduled Start Date - Construction  
 Description  
 Trout Unlimited (TU) joins the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW), Foundation for Americas Public Lands (Foundation), American Whitewater (AW), and other partners to plan for and advance a roadmap for equitable, safe, and sustainable river recreation in Colorado. The proposed process will include the formation of a technical team, an analysis of gaps and opportunities, and engagement workshops to implement a comprehensive program to benefit Colorado's river recreation assets and address associated stewardship needs. We will engage stakeholders from communities across Colorado who are committed to thriving watersheds and the stewardship of Colorado's recreational rivers to co-create and help advance the

program into the future.

We propose this planning process alongside a request to Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) as the first step in the GOCO Centennial Program. Support from both the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) and GOCO would ensure the success of this planning effort and allow partners to advance a new rivers-focused coalition to extend the initiative beyond the planning and visioning stage. This proposed process also leverages and builds on AW's CWCB-supported work to quantify recreational impacts and identify enhancement opportunities across Colorado's rivers, as well as various basin and watershed plans.

#### Measurable Results

New Storage Created (acre-feet)  
New Annual Water Supplies Developed or Conserved (acre-feet), Consumptive or Nonconsumptive  
Existing Storage Preserved or Enhanced (acre-feet)  
New Storage Created (acre-feet)  
Length of Stream Restored or Protected (linear feet)  
Length of Pipe, Canal Built or Improved (linear feet)  
Efficiency Savings (dollars/year)  
Efficiency Savings (acre-feet/year)  
Area of Restored or Preserved Habitat (acres)  
Quantity of Water Shared through Alternative Transfer Mechanisms or water sharing agreement (acre-feet)  
Number of Coloradans Impacted by Incorporating Water-Saving Actions into Land Use Planning  
Number of Coloradans Impacted by Engagement Activity

100

Other

TU and partners will engage 100+ Coloradans through engagement sessions as part of this planning process.

#### Water Project Justification

No Water Project Justification provided

#### Related Studies

No Related Studies provided

#### Taxpayer Bill of Rights

No Tax Bill of Rights provided