

**COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD  
STATE OF COLORADO**

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**IN THE MATTER OF REVISIONS TO CWCB'S RULES CONCERNING THE  
COLORADO INSTREAM FLOW AND NATURAL LAKE LEVEL PROGRAM, 2 CCR  
408-2 ("Rules")**

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**REQUEST FOR PARTY STATUS OF COLORADO PARKS AND WILDLIFE**

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Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) respectfully submits this Request for Party Status in the above-captioned rulemaking hearing.

**I. Identification of Entity Requesting Party Status:**

Colorado Parks and Wildlife

**II. Contact Person, including contact information:**

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### III. Interest in the Proposed Revisions to the Rules:

CPW's mission is to perpetuate the wildlife resources of the state, provide a quality state park system, and provide enjoyable and sustainable outdoor recreation opportunities that educate and inspire current and future generations to serve as active stewards of Colorado's natural resources. CPW has a statutorily prescribed role in support of CWCB's Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Program, and partners with CWCB to effectuate temporary loans of water to CWCB for the instream flow loan program. The proposed revisions to Rule 6.k will impact and expand CPW's ability to partner with CWCB for loans of water pursuant to Section 37-83-105, C.R.S. The proposed revisions are also related to CPW's role to provide biological expertise in support of CWCB's programs. CPW's interest in this proceeding is to support CWCB's programs, to provide biological expertise and recommendations as needed, and to ensure that any amendments to the Rules remain consistent with CPW's role to provide biological data and support to CWCB.

### IV. Description of Evidence or Information to be Presented:

CPW will provide information or evidence as needed to clarify CPW's role in the Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Programs, to ensure that revisions to the Rules are consistent with SB24-197 and the instream flow loan program, to respond to issues as requested by CWCB, or to respond to issues raised by other parties in this proceeding.

## FOR COLORADO PARKS AND WILDLIFE

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