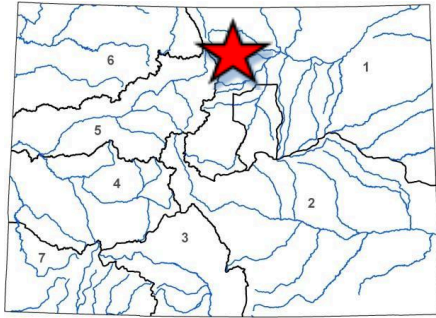




Water Plan Grant Program



LOCATION	
County:	Larimer
Basin:	South Platte

DETAILS	
Total Project Cost:	\$509,084.66
Water Plan Grant Request:	\$342,210.39
Recommended amount:	\$0
Match Commitment:	\$166,874.27
Grant to Match Ratio	67/33
Project Type:	Education
Primary Project Category:	Engagement & Innovation
Measurable Result:	1,200 Coloradans impacted by engagement activity

Big Thompson Watershed Coalition (BTWC), a non profit organization, is seeking Colorado Water Plan grant funding to support the Big Thompson Watershed Coalition Education & Outreach Program.

BTWC is proposing the establishment of a community-driven Education and Outreach Program with the aim of strengthening water literacy and public stewardship across the Big Thompson watershed.

BTWC is requesting grant funding to hire an Outreach and Education Coordinator and to conduct strategic planning. They are also seeking to develop and deliver a biannual public event series, and pilot an education and outreach program, the specific content of which has not yet been determined.

The project seeks to advance the Colorado Water Plan's vision of Vibrant Communities through effective engagement. It aligns with the Water Plan Grant criteria through enhancing Colorado's water communication, outreach, education, and public engagement efforts.

Project supporters include Colorado Watershed Assembly, Poudre Learning Center, Thompson Education Foundation, Larimer County, and Big Thompson Elementary School.

Funding Recommendation:

Staff does not recommend Big Thompson Watershed Coalition be awarded a Water Plan Grant for the Education and Outreach Program because the application did not adequately demonstrate project readiness and feasibility.