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Colorado Water  
Conservation Board

Department of Natural Resources

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TO: Bob Hurford, Division Engineer  
Division of Water Resources, Water Division 4

FROM: Lisa Bright-Unger, Stream and Lake Protection Section  
Colorado Water Conservation Board

RE: Request for Administration of the Instream Flow Water Rights on the Slate River

DATE: July 29, 2025

On behalf of the Colorado Water Conservation Board, I am requesting administration of the Board's instream flow water right on the following segment of Slate River, in Water District 59, to preserve the natural environment to a reasonable degree. Additional information about the specific ISF reach is shown below.

Case No.	Upper Terminus	Lower Terminus	Amount	Appropriation Date	WDID
80CW0092	confluence with Coal Creek	confluence with East River	12 (12/1 - 3/31) 23 (4/1 - 11/30)	3/17/1980	5901506

The SLATE R AB BAXTER GL @HWY 135 NR CRESTED BUTTE, CO gage (SLABAXCO) is located in the ISF reach and demonstrates that flow conditions are below the decreed ISF water right. The Board is requesting administration to ensure that water up to the full decreed amount of this water right is made available based on the priority system. The effective date of this call is July 29, 2025 and the call is to be in effect until the end of the current irrigation year.

Signed:

*Lisa Bright-Unger*

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CC: Tom Rozman, District 59 Water Commissioner

