

STATE OF COLORADO

Colorado Water Conservation Board Department of Natural Resources

1580 Logan Street, Suite 600
Denver, Colorado 80203
Phone: (303) 866-3441
Fax: (303) 894-2578
www.cwcb.state.co.us



TO: Erin Light, Division Engineer
Division of Water Resources, Division 6

FROM: Jeff Baessler, Stream and Lake Protection Section
Colorado Water Conservation Board

RE: Request for Administration of the Instream Flow Reach on the Elk River
between the confluence of the North Fork Elk River and the confluence
with the Yampa River

DATE: August 16, 2012

John W. Hickenlooper
Governor

Mike King
DNR Executive Director

Jennifer L. Gimbel
CWCB Director

On behalf of the Colorado Water Conservation Board, I hereby request the water officials of the State of Colorado to administer in the priority system the Board's instream flow water rights on the following segments of the Elk River, District 57-58, to preserve the natural environment to a reasonable degree.

Case No.	Upper Terminus	Lower Terminus	Amount	Appropriation Date
6-77W1279	confl NF Elk River in S2, T9N, R84W, 6PM	confl Rock Creek in S23, T9N, R85W, 6PM	65 cfs (1/1-12/31)	9/23/1977
6-77W1331	confl Rock Creek in S23, T9N, R85W, 6PM	confl Yampa River in S18, T6N, R85W, 6PM	65 cfs (1/1-12/31)	9/23/1977

The Elk River near Milner (ELKMILCO) gage is in the reach and has been used to determine flow conditions are below the minimum for the reach's decreed water right. The Board is hereby placing a written call for said instream flow water rights to ensure that the full decreed amount of this water right is made available for the decreed beneficial use of preserving the natural environment to a reasonable degree. The effective date of this call is August 16, 2012 and the call is to be in effect until further notification from the CWCB.

Signed:

Print Name: Jeff Baessler
Deputy Section Chief
Stream and Lake Protection Section

Address: 1313 Sherman Street, Room 721
Denver, CO 80203

Phone: (303) 866-3441 x3202
(720) 289-1273 (business cell phone)

CC: Brian Romig, District 57-58 Water Commissioner