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**Colorado Water  
Conservation Board**

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 721  
Denver, CO 80203

## NOTICE

To: Instream Flow Subscription Mailing Lists

Subject: Proposed 2015 Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Appropriations in Water Divisions 1, 4, 5 and 6

Date: January 30, 2015

At its January 26-27, 2015 regular meeting, the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) declared its intent to appropriate instream flow (ISF) water rights on 16 streams segments and natural lake level (NLL) water rights on 4 lakes. The attached ISF table provides the name, watershed, county, upper terminus, lower terminus, length and flow amounts for all sixteen stream segments. The attached NLL table provides the name, watershed, county, location, surface elevation and volume for the 4 lakes.

Copies of the Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Recommendations and Appendices of data submitted into the Official CWCB Record are available for review by the public during regular business hours (8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) at the Colorado Water Conservation Board's Office, located at 1313 Sherman Street, Room 718, Denver, Colorado, 80203. In addition to the CWCB office, copies of the Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Recommendations are available online at:

<http://cwcb.state.co.us/environment/instream-flow-program/Pages/2015ProposedISFAppropriations.aspx>

In addition to the above Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Recommendation Summary Reports and Appendices, staff may rely on any additional data, exhibits, testimony, or other information submitted by any party as part of the Official CWCB Record to support its Instream Flow Recommendations. Pursuant to Rule 5d.(3) of the [Rules Concerning the Colorado Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Program adopted by the Colorado Water Conservation Board](#), it should also be noted that:

(a) The Board may change flow amounts of contested ISF appropriations based on information received during the public notice and comment period.



(b) Staff will maintain, pursuant to Rule 5e.(3), an ISF Subscription Mailing List for each water division composed of the names of all persons who have sent notice to the Board Office that they wish to be included on such list for a particular water division. Any person desiring to be on the ISF Subscription Mailing List(s) must send notice to the Board Office.

(c) Any meetings held between Staff and members of the public will be open to the public. Staff may provide Proper Notice prior to any such meetings and may provide notice to persons on the ISF Subscription Mailing List(s).

(d) Any Notice to Contest must be received at the Board office no later than March 31, 2015. All Notices of Party status and Contested Hearing Participant status must be received at the Board office no later than April 30, 2015.

(e) Staff will announce its Final Staff Instream Flow Recommendation concerning contested appropriations at the September 2015 Board meeting and, prior to that meeting, will send notice of the Final Staff Recommendation to all persons on the Contested Hearing Mailing List.

(f) The Board may take final action on any uncontested ISF appropriations at the May 2015 Board meeting.

A notice to contest an ISF or NLL appropriation must be made in writing and contain the following information: (a) identification of the Person(s) requesting the hearing; (b) identification of the ISF or NLL appropriation(s) at issue; and (c) the contested facts and a general description of the data upon which the Person will rely to the extent known at that time.

Should you wish to comment on the proposed ISF or NLL Recommendations, you may do so by writing Jeff Baessler of the Board's staff at the address given above or by sending your comments by email to [jeffrey.baessler@state.co.us](mailto:jeffrey.baessler@state.co.us). It should be noted that while your appearance at any meeting is welcome, such an appearance is not necessary for your concerns to be recognized. Staff will take your comments into account and, if you so request, will present them to the Board in your absence. If you are not currently on the Board's Instream Flow Subscription Mailing List and you would like to be, please contact the Board's Office at the address given above.

#### Instream Flow Recommendations

Div	Stream	Watershed	County	Length (miles)	Upper Terminus*	Lower Terminus*	Flow (CFS)
1	Graves Creek	Lone Tree Creek – Owl Creek	Larimer	2.76	Colorado-Wyoming border	confl. unnamed tributary	0.17 (1/1-12/31)

1	Spottlewood Creek	Cache La Poudre	Larimer	3.53	A point at UTM North: 4537937.85 East 495521.89	A point at UTM North: 4534887.62 East: 498663.70	0.1 (1/1-12/31)
4	Alkali Creek	Lower Gunnison	Delta	5.10	Headwaters	Lone Star Ditch Headgate	0.3 (11/1-5/15) 2 (5/16-7/31) 1.5 (8/1-8/31) 0.8 (9/1-10/31)
4	Hubbard Creek	North Fork Gunnison	Delta	1.88	U. S. Forest Service Boundary	Deertrail Ditch Headgate	8.3 (4/1-6/10) 2.6 (6/11-8/15) 1.8 (8/16-3/31)
4	Terror Creek	North Fork Gunnison	Delta	1.55	confl. East & West Terror Creeks	Terror Ditch Headgate	1.5 (10/1-3/31) 4.8 (4/1-9/30)
4	Terror Creek	North Fork Gunnison	Delta	1.52	Terror Ditch Headgate	Fire Mountain Canal	4.2 (4/1-5/31)
4	Schaefer Creek	North Fork Gunnison	Gunnison	5.92	Headwaters	confl. Grouse Spring Creek	1.7 (12/1-4/15) 4.6 (4/16-7/31) 2.9 (8/1-11/30)
5	Timber Springs Gulch	Eagle	Eagle	0.47	Springs Complex	BLM Property Boundary	1 (11/1-3/31) 1.3 (4/1-10/31)
6	Brush Creek	Lower White	Garfield, Rio Blanco	5.31	Headwaters	confl. East Douglas Creek	0.5 (11/1-3/31) 0.65 (4/1-10/31)
6	East Douglas Creek (Increase)	Lower White	Garfield, Rio Blanco	1.56	confl. Bear Park Creek	confl. Brush Creek	2.1 (5/1-7/15) 0.5 (7/16-10/15)
6	East Douglas Creek (Increase)	Lower White	Rio Blanco	14.22	confl. Brush Creek	confl. Cathedral Creek	0.5 (5/15-10/15)
6	Soldier Creek (Increase)	Lower White	Rio Blanco	3.67	confl. Right Fork & Middle Fork Soldier Creeks	confl. Cathedral Creek	0.4 (4/1-9/30)
6	Yellow Creek	Piceance-Yellow	Rio Blanco	3.66	confl. Barcus Creek	confl. Lambert Springs	1.5 (3/1-6/15) 0.6 (6/16-2/29)
6	Yellow Creek	Piceance-Yellow	Rio Blanco	3.45	confl. Lambert Springs	confl. White River	2.3 (3/1-6/15) 1.1 (6/16-2/29)
6	Armstrong Creek	Upper Yampa	Routt	0.10	Lower Terminus of ISF case # 06CW035	confl. Elkhead Creek	1 (4/1-6/30) 0.5 (7/1-7/31) 0.22 (8/1-3/31)
6	Elkhead Creek	Upper Yampa	Routt	3.68	Lower Terminus of ISF Case # 06CW034	confl. First Creek	7.6 (4/1-6/30) 4.1 (7/1-7/31) 1.7 (8/1-3/31)

\*All UTM's NAD 1983 Zone 13 North

### Natural Lake Level Recommendations

Div	Lake	Watershed	County	Location*	Elevation (ft)	Volume (Acre Feet)
1	Spottlewood Lake # 1	Cache La Poudre	Larimer	UTM North:4524450.31 UTM East: 500088.64	5,635	0.19
1	Spottlewood Lake # 2	Cache La Poudre	Larimer	UTM North:4524806.62 UTM East: 500159.81	5,646	0.12
1	Spottlewood Lake # 3	Cache La Poudre	Larimer	UTM North:4524786.50 UTM East: 500226.24	5,648	0.17
1	Spottlewood Lake # 4	Cache La Poudre	Larimer	UTM North:4524912.38 UTM East: 500530.95	5,659	0.16

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