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NOTICE

To: Instream Flow Subscription Mailing Lists

Subject: 2016 Instream Flow Appropriations in Water Divisions 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6

Date: February 1, 2016

At its January 25-26, 2016 regular meeting, the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) declared its intent to appropriate instream flow (ISF) water rights on 19 stream segments. The attached ISF table provides the name, watershed, county, upper terminus, lower terminus, length and flow rates for all nineteen stream segments.

Copies of the Instream Flow 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 Recommendations are available online at:

<http://cwcb.state.co.us/environment/instream-flow-program/Pages/2016ProposedISFRecommendations.aspx>

In addition to the above Instream Flow Recommendation 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, 2016. All Notices of Party status and Contested Hearing Participant status must be received at the Board office no later than May 2, 2016.

(e) Staff will announce its Final Staff Instream Flow Recommendation concerning contested appropriations at the September 2016 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 2016 Board meeting.

A notice to contest an ISF 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 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 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. 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	Balm of Gilead Creek	South Platte headwaters	Park	4.49	headwaters	BLM property boundary	0.24 (11/1 - 3/31) 0.35 (4/1 - 4/30) 0.6 (5/1 - 8/31) 0.35 (9/1 - 10/31)
1	Boxelder Creek	Cache la Poudre	Larimer	4.72	confluence South & North Boxelder Creeks	confluence unnamed tributary	5 (5/16 - 6/30) 1.3 (7/1 - 5/15)
1	Lone Tree Creek	Lonetree - Owl	Weld	2.17	confluence Spotwood Creek	Meadow Springs Ranch boundary	0.3 (1/1 - 12/31)
1	Pruden Creek	South Platte headwaters	Park	0.49	USFS property boundary	BLM Property boundary	0.24 (11/1 - 3/31) 0.4 (4/1 - 4/31) 1 (5/1 - 8/31) 0.4 (9/1 - 10/31)
1	Sand Creek	Cache la Poudre	Larimer	6.59	Colorado-Wyoming Border	confluence unnamed tributary	5.5 (5/16 - 6/30) 1.5 (7/1 - 5/15)
1	Unnamed Tributary to Crooked Creek	South Platte headwaters	Park	3.86	headwaters	confluence Silverheels Ditch	0.23 (10/1 - 4/31) 0.62 (5/1 - 9/30)
2	East Fork Turkey Creek	Upper Arkansas	El Paso, Teller	3.43	headwaters	confluence West Fork Turkey Creek	0.3 (12/1 - 3/31) 0.6 (4/1 - 4/30) 1.35 (5/1 - 8/31) 0.5 (9/1 - 11/30)

2	Turkey Creek	Upper Arkansas	El Paso	2.38	confluence East Fork & West Fork Turkey Creeks	confluence unnamed tributary	1 (12/1 - 3/31) 2.7 (4/1 - 4/30) 3.7 (5/1 - 8/31) 1.8 (9/1 - 11/30)
2	West Fork Turkey Creek	Upper Arkansas	El Paso, Fremont, Teller	3.98	headwaters	confluence East Fork Turkey Creek	0.5 (12/1 - 3/31) 0.75 (4/1 - 4/30) 2.1 (5/1 - 8/31) 0.75 (9/1 - 11/30)
4	Fourth of July Creek	Upper Gunnison	Gunnison, Hinsdale	6.0	headwaters	Carris Thompson Ditch headgate	1.1 (4/1 - 7/31) 0.6 (8/1 - 3/31)
4	Little Cimarron River (Increase)	Upper Gunnison	Gunnison	7.64	confluence Firebox Creek	confluence Van Boxel Creek	7 (10/1 - 10/31) 4.6 (11/1 - 4/14) 11 (4/15 - 9/20)
5	East Hawxhurst Creek	Colorado Headwaters-Plateau	Mesa	5.75	outlet of McCurry Reservoir	confluence West Hawxhurst Creek	1.7 (4/15 - 6/30) 0.46 (7/1 - 4/14)
5	Morgan Gulch	Colorado headwaters	Grand	4.10	headwaters	confluence Williams Fork River	0.3 (10/1 - 4/30) 2.1 (5/1 - 7/31) 0.8 (8/1 - 9/30)
5	West Hawxhurst Creek	Colorado Headwaters-Plateau	Mesa	5.57	headwaters	confluence East Hawxhurst Creek	1.6 (4/15 - 6/30) 0.56 (7/1 - 4/14)
6	Piceance Creek	Piceance Creek- Yellow Creek	Rio Blanco	9.96	confluence Dry Fork Piceance Creek	confluence White River	4 (1/1 - 12/31)
6	Yellow Creek	Piceance Creek- Yellow Creek	Rio Blanco	3.66	confluence Barcus Creek	confluence Lambert Springs	0.82 (3/1 - 6/15) 0.4 (6/16 - 2/29)
6	Yellow Creek	Piceance Creek- Yellow Creek	Rio Blanco	3.45	confluence Lambert Springs	confluence White River	1.8 (3/1 - 6/15) 1.2 (6/16 - 2/29)
6	Willow Creek (Increase)	Upper Yampa	Routt	4.94	outlet of Steamboat Lake	confluence Beaver Creek	7 (4/16 - 6/30)
6	Willow Creek (Increase)	Upper Yampa	Routt	1.47	confluence Beaver Creek	confluence Lester Creek	13 (4/16 - 6/30) 3 (7/1 - 7/31)