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DATE: November 18-19, 2019 Board Meeting

AGENDA ITEM: 20. Notice of Recommended 2021 Instream Flow Appropriations in Water Divisions 1, 2, 4, 6, and 7

Background:

Pursuant to Instream Flow (“ISF”) Rule 5c., the Colorado Water Conservation Board is providing notice that the following 15 stream segments are being considered for ISF appropriations in 2021. At the January 2021 CWCB meeting, Staff may request that the Board form its intent to appropriate ISF water rights on some or all of the streams listed in Table 1. All of these streams were previously noticed at the Board’s March 2020 meeting.

Staff Recommendation:

This is an informational item that provides notice of recommended stream segments that staff may bring to the Board in January 2021 with a recommendation that the Board form its intent to appropriate ISF water rights. No Board action is required.

Table 1: Instream Flow Recommendations 2021

Water Div.	Stream Name (Segment Upper/Lower Termini)	Recommending Entity	County	Length (miles)
1	Dry Gulch (headwaters to the confluence with Clear Creek)	CPW	Clear Creek	2.83
1	North Fork Little Thompson River (confluence Beartrap Gulch to the confluence Little Thompson River)	CPW, Larimer County	Larimer	4.51
1	Redstone Creek (headwaters to the confluence with Buckhorn Creek)	CPW, Larimer County	Larimer	16.33
2	East Fork Arkansas River (headwaters to confluence Chalk Creek)	BLM	Lake	6.46
4	Cottonwood Creek (Increase) (Hawkins Ditch headgate to confluence Roubideau Creek)	BLM	Delta, Montrose	23.3



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4	Cow Creek (confluence with Nate Creek to the confluence with the Uncompahgre River)	CPW	Ouray	8.54
4	Elk Creek (headwaters to the confluence with Coal Creek)	HCCA	Gunnison	2.66
4	Gold Creek (Tarkington Ditch headgate to the confluence with Quartz Creek)	HCCA	Gunnison	0.45
4	Monitor Creek (U.S. Forest Service Property Boundary to confluence with Potter Creek)	BLM	Montrose	9.44
4	Potter Creek (Increase) (U.S. Forest Service Property Boundary to confluence Monitor Creek)	BLM	Montrose	8.1
4	Potter Creek (Increase) (confluence with Monitor Creek to confluence with Roubideau Creek)	BLM	Montrose	1.72
4	Spring Creek (headwaters to Crabtree Ditch headgate)	BLM	Montrose	7.47
4	Wildcat Creek (outlet of Green Lake to the confluence with Coal Creek)	HCCA	Gunnison	2.48
6	Watson Creek (confluence with Moody Creek to the Hardscrabble Ditch headgate)	BLM	Routt`	5.86
7	Rincon La Vaca (headwaters to the confluence with the Los Pinos River)	CPW	Hinsdale	4.47

BLM = Bureau of Land Management; CPW = Colorado Parks and Wildlife; HCCA = High Country Conservation Advocates