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AGENDA ITEM: 25 f-k. Water Plan Grants - Environment and Recreation

Introduction

In the second round of fiscal year 2021-2022 applications, the CWCB received six applications for grants \$100,000 or greater for the Environment and Recreation category, totaling \$6,641,012. Staff is recommending approval of all six grants totaling \$6,563,250. See attached Data Sheets for locations and project summaries.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends the following Board action for activities listed in the following table regarding Colorado’s Water Plan Grant Program funding.

Applicant	Project Name	Grant Request Amount	Staff Recommendation
f. Colorado Parks and Wildlife	North Elk Creek Fish Barrier Construction Project	\$205,000	Approve \$205,000
g. Colorado Rio Grande Restoration Foundation	2021 Rio Grande Diversion Infrastructure, Recreation, and Habitat Improvement Project	\$818,030	Approve \$818,030
h. Purgatoire Watershed Partnership	Purgatoire River Baca-Picketwire Diversion Dam Multi-Use Restoration Project	\$773,762	Approve \$696,077
i. Roaring Fork Conservancy	Crystal River at Riverfront Park Restoration & Efficiency Project	\$744,367	Approve \$744,367
j. Trout Unlimited	Poudre Headwaters Restoration - Grand Ditch Barrier	\$299,853	Approve \$299,853
k. Windy Gap Water Activity Enterprise	Colorado River Connectivity Channel (aka Windy Gap Bypass)	\$3,800,000	Approve \$3,800,000
Total Recommended for Approval			\$6,563,250

