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Pursuant to ISF Rule 5c. of the Rules Concerning the Colorado Instream Flow and Natural Lake Level Program, this notice identifies the streams to be considered for instream flow (ISF) appropriations in 2022. At the January 2022 meeting of the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB), staff may request that the Board form its intent to appropriate ISF water rights for the streams listed on the attached ISF recommendation List. The attached list contains a description of the ISF recommendations including water division, stream name, watershed, county, length, upper terminus, and lower terminus.

The ISF Recommendations are available online at: <https://cwcb.colorado.gov/2022-isf-recommendations>. Information can also be reviewed by appointment at the Colorado Water Conservation Board's Office, located at 1313 Sherman Street, Room 718, Denver, Colorado, 80203.

In addition to the ISF recommendations, 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 ISF recommendations.

It should also be noted that, pursuant to the ISF Rules:

5d. (3)

(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, 2022, or the first business day thereafter. All Notices of Party status and Contested Hearing Participant status must be received at the Board office no later than April 30, 2022 or the first business day thereafter.

(e) Staff will announce its Final Staff ISF Recommendation concerning contested appropriations at the September 2022 Board meeting and 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 2022 Board meeting.

Note that section 37-92-102 (3) (b), C.R.S. (2020) provides: “Any such appropriation shall be subject to the present uses or exchanges of water being made by other water users pursuant to appropriation or practices in existence on the date of such appropriation, whether or not previously confirmed by court order or decree.” For more information on whether this provision applies to specific undecreed uses of water in or above the proposed instream flow segments, and potential recognition of such uses in the CWCB’s water court decree, contact Rob Viehl at the address set forth above or via email to rob.viehl@state.co.us.

The schedule set forth in (d), (e), and (f) above will apply to streams on which the CWCB declares its intent to appropriate water rights in January 2022. Should you wish to comment on the proposed ISF Recommendations or request more information you may do so by writing Rob Viehl of the Board's staff at the address or email given above. Your appearance at any meeting is welcome, but not necessary. If you request, Staff will present your written comments to the Board. If you are not currently on the Board's ISF Subscription Mailing List and you would like to be, please contact Rob Viehl, or sign up online at: <https://dwr.state.co.us/Portal/Login/>

ISF Recommendations 2022

Div.	Stream Name	Watershed	County	Length (miles)	Upper Terminus	Lower Terminus
1	Garber Creek	Upper South Platte	Douglas	4.75	confl North and South Garber Creeks	confl West Plum Creek
1	Herman Gulch (Increase)	Clear	Clear Creek	3.64	headwaters	confl Clear Creek
1	Platte Gulch	South Platte Headwaters	Park	1.54	headwaters	confl MF South Platte River
1	Sulzer Gulch	Big Thompson	Larimer	3.73	headwaters	confl Big Thompson River
1	Unnamed Tributary to Duck Creek	Upper South Platte	Clear Creek	1.08	outlet of Lower Square Top Lake	inlet of Duck Lake
1	West Plum Creek	Upper South Platte	Douglas	22.6	headwaters	confl East Plum Creek
2	Cottonwood Creek	Arkansas Headwaters	Custer	6.00	headwaters	F. Keuhn Ditch No. 2 hdgt
2	Cottonwood Creek	Arkansas Headwaters	Fremont	9.42	confl Salt Creek	Giem Ditch hdgt
2	East Gulch	Arkansas Headwaters	Fremont	8.81	confl Antelope Gulch	confl Arkansas River
4	Beaver Dams Creek	Uncompahgre	Ouray	3.29	headwaters	confl East Fork Dry Creek

4	Big A Creek	San Miguel	Montrose	1.42	outlet of unnamed lake	confl Red Canyon Creek
4	Cottonwood Creek (Increase)	Lower Gunnison	Delta Montrose	23.3	Hawkins Ditch hdgt	confl Roubideau Creek
4	Curecanti Creek (Increase)	Upper Gunnison	Gunnison	21.4	headwaters	confl Morrow Point Reservoir
4	East Fork Dry Creek	Uncompahgre	Montrose Ouray	3.11	headwaters	confl Beaver Dams Creek
4	East Muddy Creek	North Fork Gunnison	Gunnison	6.32	confl Lee Creek	confl West Muddy Creek
4	Goat Creek*	San Miguel	San Miguel	6.25	headwaters	confl Beaver Creek
4	Kelly Creek	San Miguel	Montrose	1.59	headwaters	confl Red Canyon Creek
4	Little Cimarron River (Increase)	Upper Gunnison	Gunnison	2.49	confl Van Boxel Creek	Butte Ditch hdgt
4	Little Cimarron River	Upper Gunnison	Gunnison Montrose	6.56	Butte Ditch hdgt	confl Cimarron River
4	Lottis Creek * (Increase)	East-Taylor	Gunnison	10.33	headwaters	confl Taylor River
4	Main Hubbard Creek	North Fork Gunnison	Delta	2.50	headwaters	Overland Ditch
4	Italian Creek* (Increase)	East-Taylor	Gunnison	2.42	confl South Italian Creek	confl Taylor River
4	Middle Hubbard Creek	North Fork Gunnison	Delta	2.37	headwaters	Overland Ditch
4	Monitor Creek	Lower Gunnison	Montrose	9.44	USFS Property Boundary	confl Potter Creek
4	Pine Creek	Upper Gunnison	Gunnison	16.7	headwaters	confl Morrow Point Reservoir
4	Potter Creek (Increase)	Lower Gunnison	Montrose	8.10	USFS Property Boundary	confl Monitor Creek
4	Potter Creek (Increase)	Lower Gunnison	Montrose	1.72	confl Monitor Creek	confl Roubideau Creek
4	Red Canyon	San Miguel	Montrose	3.25	headwaters	confl Big A Creek
4	Spring Creek	San Miguel	Montrose	7.47	headwaters	Crabtree Ditch hdgt
4	West Hubbard Creek	North Fork Gunnison	Delta	2.32	headwaters	Overland Ditch
4	West Muddy Creek	North Fork Gunnison	Gunnison	5.52	confl Ault Creek	confl East Muddy Creek
5	Kinney Creek* (Increase)	Colorado headwaters	Grand	6.31	headwaters	confl McQueary Creek
5	Rock Creek*	Colorado headwaters	Grand	4.92	headwaters	confl Colorado River

5	Spruce Creek * (increase)	Blue	Grand, Summit	3.54	headwaters	Hoagland Canal hdgt
6	Bear Creek	Upper White	Garfield	3.09	headwaters	confl NF White River
6	Big Fish Creek	Upper White	Garfield	4.30	headwaters	confl NF White River
6	Deep Creek*	Upper Yampa	Routt	2.45	headwaters	confl Steamboat Lake
6	East Marvine Creek	Upper White	Rio Blanco	7.31	headwaters	confl Marvine Creek
6	Hill Creek	Upper White	Rio Blanco	3.84	headwaters	Hill Creek Ditch #2 & #3 hdgt
6	Hauskins Creek	Upper White	Garfield	2.11	headwaters	confl NF White River
6	Lynx Creek	Upper White	Garfield	1.58	headwaters	confl NF White River
6	Milk Creek	Lower Yampa	Moffat	4.11	confl Wilson Creek	confl Yampa River
6	Mirror Creek	Upper White	Rio Blanco	2.16	headwaters	confl NF White River
6	Paradise Creek	Upper White	Garfield Rio Blanco	2.98	headwaters	Paradise Ponds Diversion Hdgt
6	Piceance Creek	Piceance- Yellow	Garfield Rio Blanco	6.93	headwaters	confl unnamed tributary
6	Piceance Creek	Piceance- Yellow	Rio Blanco	3.83	confl unnamed tributary	confl Cow Creek
6	Picket Pin Creek	Upper White	Garfield	2.66	headwaters	confl NF White River
6	South Fork White River	Upper White	Rio Blanco	8.07	Flat Tops Wilderness Area Boundary	confl Swede Creek
6	Watson Creek	Upper Yampa	Routt	5.86	confl Moody Creek	Hardscrabble Ditch hdgt

*Recommendation received at January 2021 ISF Workshop