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TO: Flood Disaster Study Committee

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SUBJECT: CWCB Flood Mitigation Effort Summary

CWCB September 2013 Flood Mitigation Efforts

Funding for flood recovery has been made available via several CWCB loan and grant programs. The various programs include the:

- Emergency Flood Loan Program - Severance Tax Perpetual Base Fund
- Water Supply Reserve Fund
- Disaster Emergency Fund (via the Governor's Office)
- Watershed Restoration Program
- Flood and Drought Response Fund

Emergency Flood Loan Program

In response to the September 2013 flood event the CWCB Board at its October 2013 Special Board Meeting approved \$40 million in emergency loans funds to assist with post flood mitigation efforts. Approved loans will be assessed a one percent loan administration fee and will pay no interest or payments for 36 months. At the end of the 36 month period the borrower's interest rate will revert from 0% to the interest rate established at the time of their initial loan approval. Per the terms of the loan contract, the borrower is required to pay down its existing principal loan balance with any funding in might received from outside sources (FEMA, NRCS, etc.).

Below is a list of emergency flood loans that have been approved by the Board. A total of \$16.5 million in loans have been approved to date, including \$12.3 million approved at the October 21, 2013 special CWCB Board meeting and \$4.2 million approved at the November 19-20, 2013 CWCB Board meeting.

Emergency Loan Summary Table

10/21/13	Oligarchy Irrigation Company	\$ 1,262,500	Boulder
10/21/13	Big Thompson and Platte River Ditch Company	\$ 808,000	Larimer
10/21/13	Boulder and Larimer County Irrigating and Manufacturing Dit	\$ 202,000	Boulder / Larimer
10/21/13	Ish Reservoir Company	\$ 207,050	Boulder
10/21/13	Consolidated Home Supply Ditch and Reservoir Company	\$ 1,616,000	Larimer
10/21/13	North Poudre Irrigation Company	\$ 481,770	Larimer
10/21/13	Church Ditch Water Authority	\$ 606,000	Jefferson
	October Request	\$ 12,302,426	
11/20/13	Union Ditch Company	\$ 202,000	Weld
11/20/13	Davidson Ditch and Reservoir Company	\$ 37,370	Boulder
11/20/13	Beeman Irrigating Ditch and Milling Company	\$ 2,020,000	Weld
11/20/13	Consolidated Home Supply Ditch and Reservoir Company	\$ 448,440	Larimer
11/20/13	Butte Irrigating and Milling Company	\$ 277,750	Boulder
11/20/13	Green Ditch Company	\$ 530,250	Boulder
11/20/13	City of Evans	\$ 722,150	Weld
	November Request	\$ 4,237,960	
12/19/13	Zweck and Turner Ditch Company	\$ 252,500	Boulder
12/19/13	Haldi Ditch Company	\$ 50,500	Boulder
12/19/13	Culver Lateral Ditch Company	\$ 151,500	Boulder
	December Request	\$ 454,500	
	Total Authorized to-date	\$ 16,994,886	

Water Supply Reserve Fund

On September 25, 2013, the CWCB approved a \$1,650,000 Water Supply Reserve Fund grant (\$1,500,000 Statewide Account, \$150,000 South Platte Basin Account) to be used for flood recovery purposes with Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District Water (NCWCD) acting as the Program Sponsor to administer the grant funds in accordance with CWCB criteria and subject to review by CWCB. On October 21, 2013, the CWCB approved an additional \$150,000 from the Metro Basin Roundtable Account. Previous WSRA Emergency Flood Recovery Assessment, Design and Recovery grant funds of \$1.7 million out of \$1.8 million were approved by Northern Water during their first two week funding cycle. A total of 67 applications, affecting 83 water providers, benefitted from the collaboration between CWCB and NCWCD.

Due to the continuing need for flood recovery efforts, the CWCB Board approved an additional grant in the amount of \$755,000 (from the Statewide Account) on November 20, 2013 for additional distribution by NCWCD. Funds from the Water Supply Reserve Fund originate from the Operational Account of the Severance Tax Trust Fund.

EXECUTIVE ORDER D 2013-028: Disaster Emergency Fund and the Watershed Restoration Program

EXECUTIVE ORDER D 2013-028: Disaster Emergency Fund

The Governor issued Executive Order D 2013-028, which extended Executive Orders D 2013-026 and D 2013-027. These Executive Orders made available additional resources and

extended the declaration of disaster emergency due to flooding in 16 counties in the State of Colorado. The Disaster Emergency Fund is funded from various funds in the Governor's Office. An Interagency Agreement (IGA) will be entered into between the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DHSEM) and the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) for \$1.925 million. The funds are being made available for the purpose of enhancing homeland security and emergency management related prevention, protection, mitigation, response and recovery capabilities throughout the State. As of this date, the first application period has closed, and it is anticipated that additional grants will begin to be awarded in the next week. Future additional application cycles will take place every other week until the money is spent.

The delivery mechanism for funds from the Disaster Emergency Fund is the CWCB Watershed Restoration Program fund.

Watershed Restoration Program

The Watershed Restoration Program is funded from the annual CWCB Construction Fund Projects Bill in amounts ranging from \$250,000-\$500,000. These funds are available to eligible applicants for the purpose of master planning associated with long-term flood recovery.

To date, the Watershed Restoration Program has provided the following funding in FY 2013-14 for flood related events:

Vendor: Wildland Restoration Volunteers
 Purpose: To begin flood recovery efforts on the Big Thompson River
 Amount: \$20,000

Vendor: Town of Jamestown
 Purpose: To hire a hydrologist who is helping Jamestown staff write a Request for Proposal (RFP) for master planning to begin stabilizing emergency areas.
 Amount: \$5,000

An additional four applications for funds from the Disaster Emergency Fund and Watershed Restoration Program funds have been received and are in the process of being reviewed by CWCB staff:

Applicant	Amount
Fountain Creek Watershed Flood Control District	\$175,000
Town of Estes Park	\$94,000
Wildlands Restoration Volunteers	\$250,000
Boulder County	\$1,000,000
Total	\$1,519,000

Flood and Drought Response Fund

The Flood and Drought Response Fund is funded via the annual CWCB Construction Fund Projects Bill. Currently, there is approximately \$150,000 available to help with recovery needs. These funds are utilized to fulfill programmatic needs, as well, for both drought and flood operations.

To date, the Flood and Drought Response Fund has provided the following funding in FY 2013-14 for flood related events:

Vendor: Ayres Associates

Purpose: Aerial photography of the flood event for flood documentation

Amount: \$25,000

Vendor: Town of Jamestown

Purpose: To provide flood assistance to help the town council members prioritize flood destruction repairs

Amount: \$25,000