

Southeastern Colorado Water Activity Enterprise Board of Directors Meeting

Fryingpan-Arkansas Project Water and Return Flow Allocation Action Report

Date: May 15, 2025

Agenda Item: V.A.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Staff recommends the Board of Directors approve the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project Water (Project Water) and Project Water Return Flow allocation for 2025, including late applications, as presented.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

Project Water and Return Flow sales and associated surcharges generate revenue in the Southeastern Colorado Water Activity Enterprise (Enterprise). The May 1, 2025, projection, municipal allocation, and agricultural allocation could affect the estimated budget, which is based on the 20-year average for Allocations.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION AND/OR ACTIVITY

The Allocation and Storage Committee (Committee) reviewed and approved Project Water and Return Flow sales at its May 8, 2025 meeting.

ISSUE SUMMARY DESCRIPTION:

Staff, working with consultants Wilson Water, Retired Division 2 Engineer Bill Tyner and Tammi Renninger with ElephantFish, have developed the 2025 Fryingpan-Arkansas Project Water & Project Return Flow Allocation based on the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) May 1 forecast and adjustments reported to the Enterprise.

At the May 8 meeting, the Committee recommended the Board approve acceptance of the following applications which were received after the March 31 deadline:

<u>Municipal</u>	
Boone <i>,</i> Town of	43 AF
Eads, Town of	0 AF
Florence, City of	110 AF
Sugar City, Town of	100 AF
West Grand Valley Water Inc.	10 AF

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Return FlowAGRA9,000 AFLAVWCD480 AF

Staff takes steps to assure that applications are sent by March 1 in order to allow a full month for processing for return by March 31.

SUGGESTED MOTION:

I move the Enterprise Board of Directors approve the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project Water and Project Water Return Flow allocation for 2025, including late applications, as presented.

ATTACHMENTS: