



The Honorable Lauren Boebert
United States House of Representatives
1713 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515
Washington, D.C.

Subject: Authorizing Legislation for Upper Colorado and San Juan Endangered Fish Recovery Programs

Dear Representative Boebert,

We appreciate your past support for the Upper Colorado and San Juan Endangered Fish Recovery Programs, including your previous co-sponsorship of H. R. 5001. The legislation (P. L. 106 – 392 as amended) authorizing federal cost sharing for the recovery programs through appropriations to the Bureau of Reclamation expires on September 30, 2023.

We very much appreciate your efforts over the last several months to develop legislation reauthorizing federal cost sharing for the recovery programs. Our understanding is that the legislation authorizes continued funding for 7 years, with \$50 million for capital projects for the recovery programs and \$70 million for annual funding, both to be provided by appropriations to the Bureau of Reclamation.

We support introduction of the reauthorizing legislation at the earliest possible date.

The recovery programs provide Endangered Species Act compliance for 2,500 water projects in Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming. The programs are also engaged in recovery of four endangered fish species. Those efforts are successful in preserving and moving the species towards recovery. Being able to witness of the program first-hand, Grand Valley Water Users is proud to be a part of this important work.

As always, we thank for your support of these vital programs.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "B. J. ...", written over the printed name of the General Manager.

General Manager
Grand Valley Water Users