

**PURGATOIRE RIVER WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**

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Congresswoman Lauren Boebert (CO-03)  
Cathy Garcia-Winder, Southern Colorado Regional Director  
503 N. Main, Ste. 426 – Pueblo, CO 81003  
(via email)

Re: Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basin Endangered Fish & Threatened Fish Recovery  
Implementation Programs

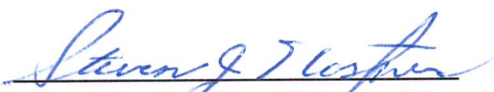
Dear Congresswoman Lauren Boebert and Cathy Garcia-Winder,

The Purgatoire River Water Conservancy District (PRWCD) offers this letter of support for your efforts to reauthorize the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basin Endangered Fish & Threatened Fish Recovery Implementation Programs.

The PRWCD through the Corps of Engineer's Trinidad Project provides for the irrigation of up to 20,000 acres of agricultural lands in Las Animas County, Colorado and for municipal water supplies to the City of Trinidad, Colorado.

The PRWCD has in the past and will seek in the future to continue to lease Colorado River water supplies from importers of these waters into the Arkansas River basin for the support of both agricultural and municipal uses of water within the PRWCD. The PRWCD has an interest in the future viability and environmental health of the Colorado River basin waters to continue to support such diversions for future generations of our Colorado citizens.

Thank you for your efforts in supporting the health and future of Colorado River basin waters.

  
Steve Kastner, General Manager