



May 28, 2025

Re: Minimum Stream Flows Below Ridgway Dam and the Proposed Project 7
Water Authority Regional Water Resiliency Program, Dallas Creek Project, Colorado

To Whom it May Concern:

Tri-County Water Conservancy District (Tri-County) entered into Contract 7-07-40-L0273, dated January 14th, 1977 with the U.S. Department of Interior Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), which provides for, among other things, performance of operation, maintenance, and replacement (OM&R) of the Dallas Creek Project facilities, of which Ridgway Reservoir (Reservoir) is a component. This contract gives Tri-County the sole authority to manage releases from the Reservoir.

Prior to entering this contract, Reclamation prepared and completed a Final Environmental Statement (FES), dated September 28, 1976, which outlines minimum stream flows below the Reservoir throughout the year. While the addition of a raw water supply pipeline connection by Project 7 Water Authority to the existing facilities will slightly impact the overall release from the Reservoir, this will have no impact on our existing commitment to maintaining minimum stream flows set forth in the FES.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (970) 249-3369 or by email at jerry@tricountywater.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jerry Young", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jerry Young
General Manager