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Intergovernmental Agreement Forming the ROY Water Authority

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Background

ROY (Restoration of Yield) Partners:

- Colorado Springs Utilities
- Board of Water Works of Pueblo
- City of Aurora
- City of Fountain
- Pueblo West Metropolitan District
- Southeastern Colorado Water Activity Enterprise

Background

ROY Program

- Created through negotiation of 6-party IGA in 2006
- Parties agree to not operate exchanges of water to protect flows through City of Pueblo
- Parties agree to develop water storage to recapture water that is not exchanged
- Parties acquired property near Boone, Colorado for that purpose in 2021
- Parties have agreed that Water Authority is best option for building and managing the project

ROY Water Authority

- Parties desire to form the ROY Water Authority
 - Separate governmental entity to accomplish objectives of the ROY Program
 - Established through IGA
- Purposes of Authority:
 - Acquiring real property
 - Constructing/operating water diversion, conveyance and storage facilities for ROY Program Projects
 - Owning and operating the Haynes Creek Property and other property associated with ROY Program projects

ROY Establishing IGA

- Establishes ROY Water Authority
- Outlines Powers of Authority
- Creates Board of Directors and defines its powers
- Outlines conditions for membership in the Authority
- Provides process for development and participation in ROY projects
- Requires conveyance of Members' interests in Haynes Creek Property to Authority

Next Steps (UB)

Authorize Utilities to Seek City Council approval of a Resolution Authorizing:

Formation of Authority;

CEO Execution of IGA; and

Conveyance of Haynes Creek Property

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