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Intergovernmental Agreement Cost Share for Wild Horse Second Valve

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Background

Homestake Partners jointly own the Homestake Project.

- 50/50 Partnership between Colorado Springs and Aurora
- Cost share per project agreements
- Aurora is permitting and constructing the Wild Horse Reservoir
- Deliveries of Aurora's water to the reservoir will be through the Otero Pipeline.



Intergovernmental Agreement

- Aurora requested Springs Utilities consent to install a connection to Otero Pipeline for Wild Horse Reservoir deliveries.
- Springs Utilities required Aurora Water to install a second isolation valve on the Otero Pipeline.
- The second valve will become part of the Homestake Project.
- The IGA details ownership, operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement of the secondary isolation valve and Springs Utilities' repayment of its share of the costs for the valve.



Springs Utilities' share of the costs for the second isolation valve is \$392,760.75.

IGA Terms

- Aurora Water and Homestake Partners split the cost 50/50.
- Per cost share agreements for the Homestake Partners - Aurora and Springs Utilities split costs 50/50.
- Therefore, Springs Utilities cost share is 25 percent
- Springs Utilities' share of the costs for the second isolation valve is \$392,760.75



Next Steps (UB)

Approve Springs Utilities taking the resolution authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to enter into the IGA to City Council for consideration

February 24, 2026 on consent agenda





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