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SUBJECT: PDM – Section 14, Public Law 83-566 and Subtitle I of Title XII of the Food Security Act of 1985 – Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP), Authorization of Federal Assistance for Final Watershed Plan and Environmental Assessment for the Lower Gunnison Project in Delta, Gunnison, Montrose and Ouray Counties, Colorado

TO: Clinton Evans
State Conservationist
Denver, Colorado

File Code: 390-15

This memorandum authorizes Federal assistance for the installation of works of improvement, under the Authority of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act of 1954 (Public Law [P.L.] 83-566) and the Regional Conservation Partnership Program, authorized by Subtitle I of Title XII of the Food Security Act of 1985 (the 1985 Act), as amended by Section 2401 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (the 2014 Act) for the Lower Gunnison Project in Delta, Gunnison, Montrose and Ouray Counties, Colorado. Assistance should be in accordance with the terms, conditions, and stipulations included in the Final Watershed Plan and Environmental Assessment for the Lower Gunnison Project, as funds appropriated for this purpose are made available.

Copies of letters to your congressional delegation informing them of this authorization are enclosed. Please contact each member of your congressional delegation within 30 days with details on this project and the funding status of the works of improvement. We also suggest that you provide the local sponsors with the appropriate information regarding project status and projected annual funding needs.

Leonard Jordan
Acting Chief

Enclosures

cc: (w/out enclosures)
Astor Boozer, Regional Conservationist, West, NRCS, Washington, D.C.