From: Patricia Eaton

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 12:28:26 PM

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Rollinsville, Co. 80474 303-258-0489

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>; <u>Hackett, Richard</u>
Subject: Gross Reservoir Land Use 1041 Determination [#39]

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 12:54:53 PM

Name * Bill Ikler

Email * <u>bill@billiklerstudio.com</u>

Enter your comments (or attach a comment document below): *

I strongly oppose the expansion of Gross Reservoir for the following reasons:

It will further deplete the already stressed Colorado River drainage.

It will have numerous impacts to the area surrounding the reservoir: thousands of trees cut, many large truck trips per day on dirt subdivision roads, noise, dust, and also the submersion of Forsythe Falls.

I believe Boulder County is well within its rights to deny the building under 1041 regulations.

The reservoir may never fill completely and what extra water is stored there will only fuel more growth in the Denver metropolitan area. Water needs can be better achieved through conservation.

Boulder County will have to benefit from the dam expansion. Thanks for considering my comments.

Please check box below *

From: <u>Janes Stallcup</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 1:07:29 PM

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From:

Wufoo Boulder County Board of Commissioners; Hackett, Richard To: Subject: Gross Reservoir Land Use 1041 Determination [#40]

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 2:47:41 PM

Name *	Mrs Regan
Email *	nlfsarah@gmail.com
Enter your comments (or attach a comment document below): *	My name is Sarah and I am against the proposed Gross Dam reservoir. I do not think it would be good for the community or the animals in the vicinity.
Please check box below *	• I acknowledge receipt of the Open Records Notification

From: Kyle Perkins

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 2:50:56 PM

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Kyle Perkins

Arvada, Colorado (CO) 80004

From: Annika Silverman

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 3:19:44 PM

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Annika Silverman

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From: Brian Cocco

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 3:21:54 PM

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Brian Cocco 3733 Ridgeway St.

Boulder, CO 80301

From:

Wufoo Boulder County Board of Commissioners; Hackett, Richard To: Subject: Gross Reservoir Land Use 1041 Determination [#41]

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 3:57:13 PM

Name *	Jason Duggan				
Email *	bamman2525@gmail.com				
Enter your comments (or attach a comment document below): *	Denver Water should not be exempt form the Land Use 1041 Determination Process and ask the Commissioners to Deny the permit!!! This project is going to be a 15+ yr 24/7 project. That will greatly impact the wild life. Destroying over 400 acers of trees and vegetation. Not to mention our canyon way of life and the Colorado River.				
Please check box below *	• I acknowledge receipt of the Open Records Notification				

From:

Wufoo Boulder County Board of Commissioners; Hackett, Richard To: Subject: Gross Reservoir Land Use 1041 Determination [#42]

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 4:46:55 PM

Name *	Virginia Stiles				
Email *	vstiles830@q.com				
Enter your comments (or attach a comment document below): *	To whom it may concern, It is vital to the community that Denver water comply with the 1041 regulations decision. Without having to comply it allows Denver water board to do what ever they want to with the Gross Dam expansion without regard to environment or community concerns. I also hope with all my heart that Denver Water be denied the permit! Thank you, Virginia Stiles				
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From: Christine Evans

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 5:10:24 PM

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Christine Evans

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To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>; <u>Hackett, Richard</u>
Subject: Gross Reservoir Land Use 1041 Determination [#43]

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 6:27:02 PM

Name * Harold Sturgis

Email * <u>hsturgis@yahoo.com</u>

Enter your comments (or attach a comment document below): *

Please look elsewhere for additional water supply than a poorly thought out and questionably—motvated expansion of Gross Reservior. Like, oh I don't know, maybe conservation!?!? Does anyone seriously believe that all avenues and potentials for water conservation have been exhausted? Has anyone demonstrated that all potential water saving programs, if implemented, would NOT effectively manage our water supply in the medium or long term? I suspect not. Let's try a well funded and well planned program of water conservation FIRST, involving all levels of public and private life. That way, we at least have a chance to save the precious recreational resource that is Gross Reservior, and at the same time successfully manage our growing need for water.

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To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>; <u>Hackett, Richard</u>
Subject: Gross Reservoir Land Use 1041 Determination [#44]

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 6:46:02 PM

Name * Diane Curlette

Email * dcurlette25@gmail.com

Enter your comments (or attach a comment document below): *

Dear Commissioners,

Because of the blizzard forecast for tomorrow, I will not be able to speak or be present at the meeting. I am writing to OPPOSE the expansion of Gross Reservoir.

Denver Water's planning documents and justification for the reservoir expansion are poorly prepared and do not lead to the conclusion that such a massive construction project is needed. Denver water should pursue conservation with their customers in a diligent fashion to save the water, rather than pursue an unnecessary reservoir.

Due to drought and climate change, the reservoir will probably never be filled and will be a mud flat eyesore.

The people of Boulder county do not gain from this project, and, in fact, they loose lots of beautiful wilderness and forests.

Please vote to OPPOSE the Gross Reservoir expansion.

Sincerely,

Diane Curlette, Boulder

Please check box below *

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>; <u>Hackett, Richard</u>

Subject: Gross Reservoir Land Use 1041 Determination [#45]

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 8:25:31 PM

Name * Peter Watson

Email * pwcarpentry@comcast.net

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Gross Reservoir, in its current form, is an asset to all of us local citizens and visitors who appreciate spending time in nature. I am speaking for the canoeists, kayakers, fishermen, hikers, birders, picnickers and all others who seek pleasure spending time in beautiful, natural places. The proposed reservoir expansion will greatly diminish the uniqueness and beauty of this place. In today's rapidly growing Front Range, this place is an important spiritual refuge for those of us who seek recreation, solace, inspiration and healing from being in nature.

The construction of this project, with its dust and noise, will have significant negative impact for several years for all those citizens who own property near Gross Reservoir and on the roads leading to the reservoir.

The reservoir expansion will remove hundreds of acres of wildlife habitat and consequently will kill off populations of the flora and fauna indigenous to the area.

I strongly feel that the negative consequences which would result from this project going forward greatly outweigh the benefits.

The impact on the natural environment and local climate from this project is huge. Before it can go forward the merits of the project need to be examined via the local permitting process and Denver Water's advocacy needs to be scrutinized for truth and accuracy. There should be a thorough costbenefit analysis and environmental impact analysis. The resulting analysis and testimony should be available for public comment.

I therefore urge the Boulder County Commissioners to, heed the will of the people and support the opinion of the Land Use Commissioner, that legal action be taken to demand that Denver Water go through the local permitting process to determine if their project is in the best interest of the local citizens and the environment.

Please check box below *

From: <u>Greg Storm</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 8:57:23 PM

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Greg Storm 13862 W 67th Pl 1STORMY50@GMAIL.COM Arvada, CO 80004 7202608149 From: Coco Coco

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019 9:04:10 PM

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Boulder, CO 80304 3038174145 From: <u>Diane DeLong</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:22:30 AM

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Diane DeLong 9782 W. Mississippi Ave. dianedb13@aol.com Lakewood, CO 80226 3039801861 From: Aron Ralston

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:34:40 AM

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Aron Ralston 928 Mapleton Ave. captainfunhog@hotmail.com Boulder, CO 80304 9703199030 From: Ed Kraynak

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:38:30 AM

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Ed Kraynak 1563 S Roslyn St

Denver, CO 80231 3037524054 From: <u>nancy Pearson</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:41:22 AM

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From: Andrew Castaneda

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:41:53 AM

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Andrew Castaneda 712 Ortega Street andrewimplodes@gmail.com Carlsbad, NM 88220 5753021703 From: Emmet Ryan

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:44:40 AM

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Emmet Ryan 373 Plainfield ave hopeldehoy@aol.com Floral Park, NY 11001 5163608670 From: Holly Keenan

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:46:02 AM

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Holly Keenan 1300 S Willow Street Apt 11-104 Denver, CO 80247 7194685420 From: Charlotte Smith

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:47:47 AM

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Charlotte Smith 228 Calle Del Rey SW

Albuquerque, NM 87121 505-2934853

From: <u>Teresa Foster</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:48:54 AM

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Teresa Foster 1440 Baker St.

Longmont, CO 80501

From: <u>John Saccardi</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:51:00 AM

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John Saccardi 1420 Foxtail Drive

Broomfield, Colorado 80020 3034665291

From: Brian Gibbons

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:51:11 AM

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Brian Gibbons 19510 Lorain Rd #106 Fairview Park, OH 44126 2168480097 From: <u>David Roederer</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:53:18 AM

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David Roederer 8050 Niwot #18 dcroederer@comcast.net Niwot, CO 80503 From: DANIELLE STUTHEIT

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:54:52 AM

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DANIELLE STUTHEIT 1068 Delta Dr, Unit E

Lafayette, CO 80026

From: Amanda McNeill

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:56:05 AM

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- 5. I have family living in Boulder County, grandsons whose futures depends upon your good decision-making at each juncture. Do the right thing for them.

Thank you for protecting the citizens and environment of Boulder County! And for understanding the investment many of us in other parts of the state have in their health and welfare and in the front range water decisions that affect us all in the state.

Amanda McNeill 312 East Montezuma Avenue

Cortez, Colorado 81321

From: Elizabeth ODear

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:56:40 AM

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Elizabeth ODear 4301 Bissonnet St apy 75

Bellaire, Texas 77401

From: <u>Heide Coppotelli</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:57:38 AM

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Heide Coppotelli 383 Seldon Emerson Rd. goodshepherd@comporium.net Cedar Mountain, NC 28718 8288844673 From: Fred Coppotelli

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:58:07 AM

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Fred Coppotelli 5713 Fisherman's Dr. coppotelli@earthlink.net Bradenton, FL 34209 8052848764 From: <u>Tom Harris</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:01:07 AM

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Tom Harris

From: Michelle Ku

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:01:10 AM

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Michelle Ku 212 S Olive St michelle_ku@msn.com Denver, CO 80230 3033442868 From: <u>Joh Friestad</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:01:35 AM

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Conway, South Carolina 29527-6967 9709042544

From: Kirk Rhoads

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:02:09 AM

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Kirk Rhoads 0000 kirkrhoads@hotmail.com Mountain Home, AR 72653 8706567887 From: <u>Leslie Cutler</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:02:09 AM

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Leslie Cutler 1830 Lombardy Street

Longmont, Co 80503

From: Kristen Coley

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:02:30 AM

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Kristen Coley 324 E. Magnolia St.

Fort Collins, CO 80524

From: <u>Karina Black</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:02:31 AM

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Boulder, CO 80304 3039935363 From: <u>ireneslegal@msn.com ireneslegal@msn.com</u>
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From: Oliver Smith

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:05:07 AM

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Oliver Smith 634 2nd Avenue 77ravens@gmail.com Lyons, CO 80540 5094997382 From: Lou Patterson

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:06:12 AM

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Lou Patterson 1716 Main Street

Longmont, CO 80501 3038186539 From: <u>Leland Long</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:06:46 AM

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Leland Long 1380 Detroit St Apt 130 lplong@yahoo.com Denver, CO 80206 3038371819 From: Amy Jiron

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Amy Jiron

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From: <u>Kirsten Lear</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:08:03 AM

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Kirsten Lear 219 Anita Place

Santa Fe, NM 87505-8805 5059834232 From: <u>charlotte adams</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:11:16 AM

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charlotte adams 2515, south rainbow ranch road info@guitar-instruction-video.com Wimberley, TX 78676-5945 5128421435 From: Neil McLane

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:12:25 AM

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Neil McLane 5539 Colt Drive

Longmont, CO 80503-8604 3034430388 From: <u>Linda Thompson</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:12:47 AM

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Linda Thompson 58462 Jasmine Rd lindahartneythompson@gmail.com Montrose, CO 81403 9702492360 From: Mary Koltze

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:12:55 AM

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Mary Koltze 2300 S. Osceola Street

Denver, CO 80019 3039342353 From: Ed Guhman

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:13:00 AM

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Ed Guhman 2426 Williams St.

Denver, CO 80205

From: <u>colonel meyer</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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colonel meyer 3701 eagle pass street, 30, 30, 30 ronm430@aol.com north port, FL 34286 9414231960 From: Sheryl Becker

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:15:05 AM

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Sheryl Becker 142 Beekman Dr.

Agawam, MA 01001 413-374-1921 From: Susan Babbitt

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Susan Babbitt 319 South Tenth Street, #133 philad49@att.net Philadelphia, PA 19107 2679689582 From: <u>David Inouye</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:16:05 AM

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Hotckiss, CO 81419 970-260-6159

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Ellen Miller 473 Rio Grande

New Castle, CO 81647

From: <u>Nanette Oggiono</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Nanette Oggiono 3 Sadler Rd

Upton, MA 01568 5086031109

From: Ann James

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

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Ann James 1660 280th Avenue

Fort Madison, Iowa 52627

From: <u>JAMES PEARCE</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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JAMES PEARCE 5194 S UNION-57 jam2pie@kconline.com COLUMBIA CITY, IN 46725 2196912483 From: <u>Jane Crick</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:19:29 AM

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Jane Crick 15755 Fools Gold Lane

Colorado Springs, Coloradi 80922 5125173884 From: <u>Brooks Brown</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

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Brooks Brown 1106 Alexandria Street

Lafayette, CO 80026 3036652949 From: <u>Magdalena Czeblakow</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:20:39 AM

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Magdalena Czeblakow 8974 N Western Ave

Des Plaines, Illinois 60016

From: Elisa Townshend

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:21:29 AM

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Elisa Townshend 1385 Elizabeth St

Denver, Colorado 80206 3033223941 From: Peter Curia

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Peter Curia 2048 N. 68th Place

Scottsdale, AZ 85257-2637 4809465794

From: Ali Gallo

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:21:48 AM

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Ali Gallo 47 Joe Mae Road

Edgewood, NM 87015 505-250-3757

From: Sharon Barone

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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From: Thomas Pintagro

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Thomas Pintagro 8 Beverly Pl tjp1069@hotmail.com Jamestown, New York 14701 7164831313 From: <u>Valerie Levine</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:25:20 AM

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Valerie Levine 213 Sena Street

Santa Fe, NM 87505

From: <u>Dameta Robinson</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:27:21 AM

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Dameta Robinson 1910 Oak St

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To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

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Michael Wichman 351 Dine

Flagstaff, AZ 86005 9286006058 From: <u>Sarah Stewart</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:27:42 AM

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Sarah Stewart 1045 U.S. Highway 89 South sarahbstewart@yahoo.com Gardiner, MT 59030 4068489900 From: <u>James Pentelow</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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James Pentelow 22 Duchy Close Chelveston Wellingborough, From: <u>Lorraine Lowry</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:28:01 AM

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Lorraine Lowry 125 West St.

Vacaville, CA 95688 5558183321 From: Todd Adelman

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:28:12 AM

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Todd Adelman 165 Hollow Rd

Glenford, NY 12433 303-931-1188 From: <u>Margaret Hostetter</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:28:33 AM

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Margaret Hostetter 135 S 500 W #603

Salt Lake City, UT 84101-4107 8013553570

From: Suzanne Krueger-Koplin

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:28:43 AM

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Suzanne Krueger-Koplin 934 W OAK

Fort Collins, CO 80521 9702196398 From: rodney hemmila

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:29:35 AM

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From: mary frank

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mary frank

Summerlin, Nevada, Las Vegas Area, NV 89147 7022528585

From: Susanne Nerad

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:33:20 AM

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Susanne Nerad 5402 fossil CT N,

Ft Collins, Co 80525

From: Chris Skinner

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:33:46 AM

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Chris Skinner 6523 S Garland Way troutfishr@hotmail.com Littleton, CO 80123-3121 From: <u>Tyler Komarnycky</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:34:23 AM

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Tyler Komarnycky 10024 Hough Point tyler.komar@icloud.com Parker, CO 80134 3038153282 From: <u>Stephen Robinson</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:34:36 AM

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Stephen Robinson 35 Lakeshore Park Road

Boulder, CO 80302 303-642-2808 From: Gary Loos

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Gary Loos 143 San Acacia Rd gcloos@earthlink.net San Acacia, NM 87831 505-306=1670 From: Pamela Bryant

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:35:11 AM

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Pamela Bryant 101 West Daniel St., pamandron4684@hotmail.com Silver City, NM 88061 5753139177 From: <u>Barbara Swyden</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:36:25 AM

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Barbara Swyden

Rio Rancho, NM 87124 5055151705 From: <u>Judith Weaver</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:36:35 AM

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Judith Weaver 1457 Guava Ave

Melbourne, FL 32935 321-514-4861 From: Neal Pardee

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:36:46 AM

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Los Angeles, CA 90026 3236607899 From: <u>Juliette Cunico</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:38:32 AM

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I am a frequent visitor to the Boulder and Denver areas, and though I live in a neighboring state, I am very concerned about the health of the Colorado River. What happens in Colorado affects New Mexico.

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Juliette Cunico 123 Dartmouth Dr, SE

Albuquerque, New Mexico 87106 505-268-0585

From: Roberta Richardson

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:39:43 AM

Dear Boulder County Commissioners,

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Roberta Richardson 11647 Brook Road

Golden, Colorado 80403-8585 321 917-0293

From: <u>Linda Bradshaw</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:40:20 AM

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Linda Bradshaw 6409 VOOSCANE AVE linda85742@aol.com COCHITI LAKE, NM 87083 5204003122 From: <u>Donna Pemberton</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:40:28 AM

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Donna Pemberton 2512 Coconut Dr grackle17@yahoo.com Cocoa, FL 32926 3215555555 From: Nan Streicker

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:41:46 AM

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Nan Streicker 700 Silver Lake Ave.

Boulder, CO 80304 8478408833 From: Roberta Koeppe

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:42:02 AM

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Roberta Koeppe

Boulder, CO 80305

From: Alison Mason

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Alison Mason 918 Wild Cherry Lane alison@greyrock.org Fort Collins, CO 80521 9702188742 From: Steve Schueth

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:43:17 AM

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Steve Schueth 3600 North Lake Shore Drive stschueth@hotmail.com Chicago, IL 60613 7739065225 From: Alison Krachik

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Alison Krachik 2102 Bingham Lane

Fort Collins, CO 80521 970-443-9786 From: William Einert

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William Einert 1037 Wagonwheel Gap Rd

Boulder, CO 80302

From: Anita Kreager

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:44:08 AM

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Anita Kreager 1476 Camino Del Sequan

Alpine, Ca 91901 6197196404 From: Scott Woodrow, Geologist

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grand junction, CO. 81507

From: Kaye Eshnaur

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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From: <u>dr eli hegeman</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

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dr eli hegeman 100 riverside

ny, ny 10024

From: <u>Marianne Tornatore</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:47:13 AM

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Marianne Tornatore 1068 Calle del cerro

San clemente, Ca 92672

From: Ann Craig

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Ann Craig
3830 Roxbury CT

Colorado Springs, CO 80906-4321 7203735548 From: William Timpson

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:48:26 AM

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William Timpson 331 Park Street

Fort Collins, CO 80521 970-692-1442 From: <u>C McGee</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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From: <u>Larry T Caudill</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:50:59 AM

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Larry T Caudill 4915 Watercress Dr. NE

Albuquerque, NM 87113 5058570596

From: <u>Lawrence Crowley</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

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Lawrence Crowley 441 Pheasant Run

Louisville, CO 80027 3036660640 From: P Scoville

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:54:21 AM

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P Scoville box 153

hewitt, NJ 07421 0000000000 From: Angie Giustina

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:56:30 AM

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Angie Giustina 1950 Riverside Ave

Boulder, CO 80304

From: <u>Linda Serio</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

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gretchen welch 2006 collier ave

colorao springs, colorado 80909 719 473-8183 From: <u>JOHN LEGEL</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:59:08 AM

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JOHN LEGEL 3500 BINGHAM HILL RD patlegel@aol.com FORT COLLINS, CO 80521 9703051555 From: <u>Vanessa Lillie</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:01:51 AM

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Vanessa Lillie 1321 5th St

Boulder, Co. 80302 3079210444 From: <u>JACQUI GOELDNER</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:01:52 AM

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JACQUI GOELDNER 3147 Westwood C t.

Boulder, CO 80304 303-447-2931 From: Marian Cooley

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:02:12 AM

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Marian Cooley 1400 N Woodridge Ave

Muncie, IN 47304 7652840969 From: <u>Maija Dravnieks</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:02:29 AM

Dear Boulder County Commissioners,

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Maija Dravnieks 4460 Harvard

Detroit, Michigan 48224

From: Samantha Warren

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:03:10 AM

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Samantha Warren 219 East Gregson Avenue

Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

From: <u>Don Bergman</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:03:37 AM

Dear Boulder County Commissioners,

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Don Bergman 62 Sun Ridge Dr.

Holland, MI 49424 6164940765 From: <u>Erik Sween</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:04:14 AM

Dear Boulder County Commissioners,

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Erik Sween 49 Barber Lane

ELDORADO SPRG, CO 80025 3034470308

From: Louis Vincent

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:05:29 AM

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Louis Vincent 480 Strathmore Lane Apt. 207 lou.vincent9@gmail.com Lafayette, CO 80026 7032099959 From: Karen Shanley

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:06:11 AM

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Karen Shanley 328 Jasper Peak Ct jasperpeakpilates@yahoo.com Lafayette, CO 80026-8889 3036667250 From: Sharon Phillips

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:06:52 AM

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Sharon Phillips 2647 Crestridge Ct

Boulder, CO 80302

From: <u>fran malsheimer</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:07:22 AM

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From: Sharon Balzano

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:09:01 AM

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Sharon Balzano 3405 Pierce St luvpeace99@comcast.net Wheat Ridge, CO 80033 3032341439 From: Michael DeLang

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:09:10 AM

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Thank you,

Michael DeLang

Michael DeLang 11757 West Ranch Elsie Road

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From: Brian Paradise

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:09:33 AM

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Brian Paradise 13 Arbor Club Dr. # 315

Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida 32082

From: Wufoo

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>; <u>Hackett, Richard</u>
Subject: Gross Reservoir Land Use 1041 Determination [#46]

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:13:58 AM

Name * Michael DeLang

Email * <u>hairtic@protonmail.com</u>

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To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:14:29 AM

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Desiree Williams 4331 Mill Creek Ct

Fort Collins, CO 80526

From: Lorene Stetzler

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:14:42 AM

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Lorene Stetzler

Albuquerque, NM 87105 5058772138

From: Gailmarie Kimmel

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:20:10 AM

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Gailmarie Kimmel 331 Park St gmkimmel@gmail.com Fort Collins, CO 80521 9704933674 From: Kay Kimmel

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:21:52 AM

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Kay Kimmel Pob 1227

Taos, NM 87571 5757510089 From: Shelley Majsterek

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:22:03 AM

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Shelley Majsterek 600 Promenade Trail SW

Los Lunas, NM 87031 5098592570

From: <u>Barbara Holden</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:23:59 AM

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Barbara Holden 1165 Harper Lake Dr.

Louisville, CO 80027 7208907531 From: Thomas Brinkman

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:26:56 AM

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Space Ship Earth: Water Supply

Man-made spacecraft such as Apollo and the International Space Station have refillable tanks and filtration, allowing some extension of supply. Space Ship Earth has a large, more complex system with underground aquifers (very slowly refillable), fresh water lakes and rivers, and marshes (providing filtration). But expanding industrialization and exponential population growth demand ever more water.

As civilization developed, raw sewage was dumped in streets, then later, rivers and streams. Growing population eventually overwhelmed the "sewage-to-the-sea" method and so city dumps (now landfills), wastewater reclamation plants and recycling became mostly the norm in the western world. But more needs to be done by limiting chemicals, pesticides and fertilizer in both cities and agriculture. Rapid growth and shifts in population within Good Ship Earth have resulted in drastically drained aquifers and lower lake and river levels. Aquifers such as the huge, critical Oglala Aquifer in Middle America are now rapidly headed for depletion—and recovery times are hundreds, perhaps several thousand years.

Man-made spacecraft necessarily ration and manage water supplies. But on Space Ship Earth we have not seriously rationed or managed our mostly fixed fresh water supply. For example, proposals to just transport or pipe fresh water from the Midwest/Great Lakes to the West or the Sun Belt are just a "lets party on" wish, not a serious management plan. With our now much larger and still growing population, but with still only the same size Good Ship Earth, we must urgently manage and protect water supplies.

Tom Brinkman Rochester, MN

- "The frog does not drink up the pond in which he lives."
- ---Sioux proverb
- "One rain won't make a crop."
- ---Creole proverb

Thomas Brinkman 1623 Teton CT NE

Rochester, Minnesota 55906 507-287-1021

From: <u>Jeff Fromberg</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:29:35 AM

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Jeff Fromberg 233 S Barrington Ave, 309 jeff.fromberg@gmail.com Los Angeles, CA 90049 3104765987 From: Betty Pappas

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:30:26 AM

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Betty Pappas 3221 Douglas Rd twelve.paws@yahoo.com Lehigh Valley, PA 18103 6102417956 From: <u>Cheryl Dzubak</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

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Cheryl Dzubak 69 Elton Avenue, cadzubak@gmail.com Yardville, NJ 08620 From: Michael Essex

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Michael Essex

EL DORADO HILLS, CA 95762 9169333974 From: Bruce Donnell

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

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Bruce Donnell 11 Camino Crosby b_donnell@msn.com Santa Fe, NM 87506-2192 5059837511 From: Megan Faber

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:41:11 AM

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Megan Faber 1285 S Sherman St megancatherinefaber@gmail.com Denver, CO 80210 3037449907 From: <u>Carl Carnein</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Carl Carnein 507 Donzi Trail ccarnein@gmail.com Florissant, CO 80816-9296 7196872739 From: <u>fay forman</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:42:03 AM

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From: <u>Jones, Elise</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: FW: STOP GROSS DAM!

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:43:03 AM

Elise Jones Boulder County Commissioner 303-441-3491 ejones@bouldercounty.org Pronouns: she, her, hers

----Original Message----

From: Lucy Buckley < lucy@buckleyassociates.net>

Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:28 AM

To: Jones, Elise <ejones@bouldercounty.org>; debgardner@gmail.com; Domenico, Cindy

<cdomenico@bouldercounty.org>; senatormattjones@gmail.com

Subject: STOP GROSS DAM!

Dear County Commissioners,

Denver Water should NOT be allowed to expand the dam.

Quarrying, construction, expansion are all wrong.

We live in an arid climate and should act accordingly. Climate change is reality. We should not take water from the Fraser River, from the flow of that river and to the Colorado River to the front range. Water is a precious resource. This is unnecessary and destructive. 90+ trucks/day, destruction of forests, wildlife habitat.

LIVE DIFFERENTLY, CONSERVE, USE LESS, do not promote more water use in Denver.

Thank you,

Lucy Buckley Resident 80303 From: <u>Alexander Vollmer</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:44:07 AM

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Alexander Vollmer 26 Narragansett Cove

San Rafael, CA 94901 4157854949 From: <u>katiealice1951@gmail.com katiealice1951@gmail.com</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:44:15 AM

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From: Michael Norden

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:45:13 AM

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Michael Norden 22290 County Rd. S nordy@bright.net Defiance, OH 43512 4192675164 From: Susan Linney

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Susan Linney 2 Balleybay

Alameda, CA 94502 5109679474 From: Christina Babst

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:46:16 AM

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West Hollywood, CA 90069-5525 3102742963 From: <u>Mark Stevens</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:46:50 AM

Dear Boulder County Commissioners,

Please uphold the decision of the Boulder County Land Use Director that Gross Reservoir Expansion is subject to 1041 review. I am unable to attend the public hearing on March 14, so I am submitting written comments in opposition to Denver Water's proposed expansion of Gross Dam and Reservoir for the following reasons:

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Mark Stevens 19 E 6th Ave

Longmont, CO 80504

From: Sandra McMannis

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:52:31 AM

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Sandra McMannis 1287 ELDER AVE fengshuigarden@gmail.com Boulder, CO 80304 3039608014 From: Robert Ellis

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

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Robert Ellis 1287 Elder Ave fengshuigarden@gmail.com BOULDER, CO 80304 3035626515 From: Regina Woiler

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:55:29 AM

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Regina Woiler 99 Hillside ave, apt 9i woiler.regina@gmail.com NEW YORK, NY 10040 6465059263 From: <u>STEVEN HOMSHER</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:55:40 AM

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STEVEN HOMSHER 914 Pine Glade Rd

Nederland, CO 80466 3035459956 From: Roger Smith

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:59:59 AM

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Roger Smith 394 Ponderosa Way

Nederland, Colorado 80466 7206266477

From: <u>Sarah Hallowell</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:00:06 AM

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Sarah Hallowell 2435 Topaz Dr.

Boulder, CO 80304 3038182926 From: JL Angell

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:01:10 AM

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JL Angell 2388 Ponderosa Rd

Rescue, CA 95672 5305555555

From: Albert Bechtel

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:01:35 AM

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Albert Bechtel 150 E Verde Vista

Green Valley, Arizona 85614 2062906212 From: <u>Dinah Jentgen</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:06:14 AM

Dear Boulder County Commissioners,

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LAS CRUCES, NM 88011 5755229071

From: <u>Linda Graae</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:08:58 AM

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Linda Graae 309 E Swallow Rd

Ft Collins, CO 80525 9704889899 From: Deanne O"Donnell

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:09:08 AM

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Deanne O'Donnell 137 Ron Drive hottdeanne@hotmail.com Derry, PA 15627 7247390013 From: <u>Mari McShane</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:09:22 AM

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Mari McShane 333 Lucilla St

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15217 4122688723

From: <u>David Clearman</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:09:55 AM

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David Clearman 209 E. Colorado Ave kanddd@earthlink.net Berthoud, CO 80513 9702271499 From: <u>Suzanne Stensaas</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:15:46 AM

Dear Boulder County Commissioners,

Both Utah and Colorado should stop trying to take more from the system. WE know the original compact was based on data from atypical years. We need to first conserve water and second share it. I oppose enlarging Utah or Colorado dams. Please be responsible and think of the future and the environment.

Suzanne Stensaas 2460 Lynwood Dr suzanne.stensaas@hsc.utah.edu SaltLake City, Utah 84109 From: <u>Carey Hume</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:17:34 AM

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Carey Hume 335 29th St

Boulder, CO 80305

From: Robyn Reichert

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:20:51 AM

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Robyn Reichert 6916 Stoney Creek Circle scooteacha@aol.com Lake Worth, FL 33467 5612514721 From: <u>Dr. Mha Atma S Khalsa</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:21:28 AM

Dear Boulder County Commissioners,

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From: Robyn Reichert

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:23:27 AM

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Robyn Reichert 6916 Stoney Creek Circle scooteacha@aol.com Lake Worth, FL 33467 5612514721 From: Susan Dominica

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:23:41 AM

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Susan Dominica 1919 Witerberry Way

Fort Collins, CO 80526 9709807725 From: Pete Limbach

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

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Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:26:58 AM

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Pete Limbach 113 yale ave

Ft collins, Colorado 80525 9702185346

From: dorothy kethler

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:29:48 AM

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dorothy kethler 46 maestas rd

ranchos de taos, NM 87557

From: <u>Kathleen Tees</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:29:57 AM

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Kathleen Tees 790 County Rd 412 kathleentees@hotmail.com Granby, CO 80446 9707731046 From: Gilbert and Sonya Leyva

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:32:12 AM

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Gilbert and Sonya Leyva 635 Ohio St buddy89506@charter.net Reno, NV 89506 7756770726 From: William Arntz

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:34:33 AM

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William Arntz 375 CR 68

Nederland, CO 80466 303 444 3494 From: Philip Rowe

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:34:55 AM

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Philip Rowe 395 27th St

Boulder, CO 80305 3034948962 From: <u>Toni Thomas</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:38:42 AM

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From: Pat Duncan

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:40:57 AM

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Pat Duncan 1080 Carnival Ave NW pgnm@comcast.net Los Lunas, NM 87031 5058656502 From: Susan Williams

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:41:09 AM

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Susan Williams 1620 Yukon St

Lakewood, Colorado 80214 3032370490

From: <u>Carol Long</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:41:17 AM

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Carol Long 75 Chestnut St # 101 Santa Cruz, CA 95060 8314710737 From: Scott Vickers

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:41:56 AM

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Scott Vickers 1440 Franklin St.

Denver, CO 80218 3033296446 From: <u>dave pines</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:44:35 AM

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dave pines box 758

nederland, co 80466

From: Sandy Zelasko

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:46:59 AM

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Sandy Zelasko

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From: Ann Ryan

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:50:31 AM

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Ann Ryan 3503 Terry Ridge Rd., Ft. Collins, Co. anngryan@frii.com Fort Collins, CO 80524 9704822746 From: D. Rowe

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:54:30 AM

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D. Rowe

Santa Monica, United States 90403

From: Roy Medina

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:05:57 AM

Dear Boulder County Commissioners,

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Regards, Roy Medina

Roy Medina 949 E. Isabella Ave

Mesa, AZ 85204 4808138012 From: <u>Michael Lewandowski</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:06:15 AM

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Michael Lewandowski 3049 Willow Ranch Dr

Fuquay Varina, NC 27526 999-999-9999

From: <u>Deanna Jenne</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:08:33 AM

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- 5. Don't let fear run your decisions.

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Deanna Jenne 51477 KE Rd.

Mesa, CO 81643

From: <u>Diane Huffine</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:11:05 AM

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Diane Huffine Hwy 6 dianehuffine@yahoo.com Dillon, CO 80435 5555555555 From: A Janine Burke

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:12:03 AM

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A Janine Burke 1105 Don Gaspar Ave

Santa Fe, NM 87505

From: Sonia ImMasche

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:13:45 AM

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Sonia ImMasche 730 Cottonwood Drive simmasch@gmail.com Fort Collins, CO 80524-1517 9702211517 From: T Bell

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:14:11 AM

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From: Robert Reed

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:15:16 AM

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Robert Reed 239 Lower Cliff Dr 9A robtsreed@gmail.com Laguna Beach, CA 92651-1870 9496077015 From: <u>Kathryn Christian</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:20:13 AM

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Kathryn Christian 960 White Avenue krelayer@gmail.com Grand Junction, Colorado 81501 9709869245 From: <u>Diane J. Brown</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:22:14 AM

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Diane J. Brown 2478 Eldora Rd.

Nederland, CO 80466 303-258-3672

From: Bob Hannigan

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:22:35 AM

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Bob Hannigan 1820 NW Hawthorn Pl

Corvallis, OR 97330 5412301050 From: Wufoo

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Contact County Commissioners [#996] - [Name: Reynolds, Richard] Re: Gross Reservoir expansion--legal

precedent to deny?

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:23:57 AM

Name *	Richard Reynolds
Email *	reynolds331@comcast.net
Address or General Area (optional)	4331 Eldorado Springs Drive Boulder, CO 80303 United States
Phone Number (optional)	(303) 499-8028
Subject *	Gross Reservoir expansionlegal precedent to deny?

Comments, Question or Feedback *

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In layperson's terms as best I can paraphrase, the decision by the Supreme Court affirmed the right of the County (and by extension all counties in Colorado) for zoning jurisdiction of activities on State-owned lands and the right to deny activities on State-owned lands considered detrimental to the health and well-being of the County and communities within it. In this case, the State land was a "School Lands" section 16.

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A more detailed letter, with additional comments, is attached.

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March 13, 2019

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Sincerely, Richard Reynolds 4331 Eldorado Springs Dr. 80303 (Boulder County) Home ph 303-499-8028 From: <u>Jan Holladay Wood</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Boulder County Should Stop Gross Dam Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 11:24:11 AM

Dear Boulder County Commissioners,

I respectfully request that you use all of your administrative, regulatory, and legal powers – including "1041 power" granted to counties by the state – to help stop Denver Water's proposed expansion of Gross Dam and Reservoir for the following reasons:

- 1. The Gross Dam/Reservoir expansion which would increase the height of the concrete dam by 130 feet and inundate a substantial area of forest lands would cause extraordinary negative impacts to many Boulder County residents. It would be the biggest construction project in Boulder County history, last 5 years, and involve the large-scale use of explosives and thousands of semi-tractor/trailer trips along the curvy mountain roads up to the dam construction site. Importantly, the project would require a clear-cut of over 200,000 trees, turning the reservoir area into a denuded wasteland with fluctuating water levels. All of these impacts would have a significant negative impact on the home values and quality of life of nearby residents. Further, the project would be hugely disruptive for the many Boulder County residents and visitors who recreate on the existing lake, in the surrounding Boulder County Open Space and National Forest lands, and along South Boulder Creek. The project would mar Boulder County's reputation as an environmentally pro-active and responsible community and recreational paradise.
- 2. Denver Water doesn't need the water despite claims in the Final Environmental Impact Statement that water demand will increase, Denver Water's actual water use has decreased over the last several decades. All across the West, past assumptions linking increased population growth to increased water demand have been proven wrong as people begin to appreciate the connection between water use and their environment. There is no reason to anticipate a different outcome in the Denver Water Service Area where environmental consciousness is high and water conservation strategies have been put into place.
- 3. The Gross Dam/Reservoir expansion would cost over \$400 million but won't provide meaningful benefits. In fact, despite the high cost and devastating impacts, the expansion of Gross Dam/Reservoir is not sufficient to meet the laundry list of needs that Denver Water proposes to address with the new Colorado River water. Other alternatives, such as increased water conservation spending and outreach, are dramatically cheaper, faster, easier, and make much more sense.
- 4. The Gross Dam/Reservoir expansion, by diverting an additional average of 5 billion gallons of water per year, would increase the negative impacts on the health of the Fraser and Upper Colorado rivers in Grand County, Colorado, both of which have been nationally recognized as ecological important and imperiled from decades of diversion to the Denver area. The Colorado River from its source in Grand County all the way to the Gulf of California, 1,500 miles downstream is the lifeblood of the West but is facing perilous threats from misguided development and climate change. The Gross Dam/Reservoir expansion is just one of several new projects threatening to drain the Colorado River at the exact time that we should be protecting and restoring this keystone river.

Thank you for protecting the citizens and environment of Boulder County!

Jan Holladay Wood 219 Elizabeth Street

Salt Lake City, UT 84102 8015833577 From:

Wufoo Boulder County Board of Commissioners To:

Subject: $Contact\ County\ Commissioners\ [\#998]\ -\ [Name:\ Paradis\ ,\ Kate\]\ Re:\ Strongly\ oppose\ Gross\ Dam\ expansion!$

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 12:28:41 PM

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Subject *	Strongly oppose Gross Dam expansion!
Comments, Question or Feedback *	Dear Deb, Elise, and Matt, Denver is nuts to try to run roughshod over Boulder County's rights. But they will get away with it if the three of you do not stand united in vocal and unequivocal opposition! I am recovering from a total hip replacement and will not be able to make the public hearing tomorrow. Otherwise I would be there. This is what we elected you to do. Please follow the will of the vast majority of Boulder County residents. Sincerely yours, Kate Paradis
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From:

Wufoo Boulder County Board of Commissioners To:

Subject: Contact County Commissioners [#999] - [Name: Tully, Lisa] Re: Gross Dam should not be enlarged

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 12:29:45 PM

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Phone Number (optional)	(303) 440–3649				
Subject *	Gross Dam should not be enlarged				
Comments, Question or Feedback *	There is no sane reason to enlarge Gross Dam. It is environmentally wrong. It would drain all of our rivers and watersheds and likely never be full. Please don't let this happen.				
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From: Wufoo

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Contact County Commissioners [#1000] - [Name: Hogan, Tim] Re: Gross Reservoir expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:56:46 PM

Name * Tim Hogan

Email * tim.hogan@colorado.edu

Subject * Gross Reservoir expansion

Comments, Question or Feedback *

Commissioners,

I can do no better than Pat Shank's op-ed in the Camera this morning on behalf of the Indian Peaks Group of the Sierra Club (attached herein).

As my representatives, I request you as county commissioners to use HB-1041 and other statutes at your disposal to shut down the Gross Dam project proposed by Denver Water. The expansion will lead to major disturbances on local residents and serve to fuel unsustainable population expansion in the greater Denver area.

As disquieting as these impacts could be, they are not the ones I find most disturbing. Rather, as climate disruption accelerates, the extirpation of species and population proceeds apace, and the covenant Boulder citizens have had with wild nature seems to have begun unraveling, I fear we are losing our souls.

I have walked the headwaters of the Colorado River in Rocky Mountain National Park for decades; twenty years ago I packed into the headwaters of the Green in the Wind River Mountains of Wyoming; more recently I gazed down upon the confluence of these flows in Canyonlands; and I have wandered the sacred depths of the Grand Canyon more than a few times.

For those who view the Colorado River as nothing more than a "resource" for human aggrandizement, I can only bite my lip and hang my head in sorrow. Surely, this life serving artery of our dry-old-dusty west is so much more. From its mountain born beginnings, with its abundant plants and animals and the communities they form, for its pulsing, breathing freedom, I lift my eyes to the sky and say "Enough!" No more damn dams!

Thank you for your consideration and your resolve in taking on this grave threat to Boulder County and Mother Earth.

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County officials should help stop Gross Reservoir expansion

By Pat Shanks

he Sierra Club-Indian Peaks Group respectfully requests the Boulder County Commissioners to use administrative, regulatory and legal powers to help stop Denver Water's proposed expansion of Gross Dam and Reservoir. This includes important powers granted to counties by the state under HB-1041 and codified in C.R.S. 24-65.1-101.

Here's what the statutes say about 1041 powers: "Local governments shall be encouraged to designate areas and activities of state interest and, after such designation, shall administer such areas and activities of state interest and promulgate guidelines for the administration thereof." The general intention of 1041 powers are to allow local governments to maintain their control over particular development projects even where the development project has statewide impacts.

Denver Water is attempting to bypass local authority by claiming they are exempt from local permitting processes authorized by state law to Boulder County. Boulder County's land use director determined Denver Water's claims are not valid and Denver Water is subject to local authority. Denver Water is challenging that decision.

A public hearing at 4 p.m. on Thursday in the Boulder County Building (third floor hearing room, 1325 Pearl St.) will result in Boulder County's commissioners deciding if they agree with Denver Water's appeal or with their own land use director's determination.

We believe that the proposed Gross Reservoir expansion is a bad idea because:

- The Gross Dam and Reservoir expansion would increase the height of the concrete dam by 131 feet, inundate a substantial area of forest lands (about 400 additional acres), clear-cut over 200,000 trees, and cause extraordinarily negative impacts to many Boulder County residents. It would be the biggest construction project in Boulder County history, would involve the large-scale use of explosives and many tens of thousands of haulage trips on Boulder County mountain roads with probable road-widening and changes in road alignment. Large impacts of construction are likely to produce erosion and increases in sediment loads downstream on South Boulder Creek. Large greenhouse gas emissions from construction of Gross Dam and Reservoir are unacceptable during a time when responsible cities and counties across the country are working feverishly to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.
 - Denver Water has claimed that the

growth in the Front Range, but actual water use has decreased over the last several decades. Environmental consciousness and water conservation are far better strategies for assuring adequate water for increased population that will be concentrated in urban areas. Increased water conservation spending and outreach are dramatically cheaper than the \$400 million the Gross Reservoir expansion will cost, and they are faster, easier, and make much more sense.

- The Gross Dam and Reservoir expansion, by diverting an additional average of 5 billion gallons of water per year, would increase the negative impacts on the health of the Fraser and Colorado rivers in Grand County, both of which have been nationally recognized as ecologically important and imperiled by decades of water diversion to the Denver area. The Gross Dam and Reservoir expansion is just one of several new projects threatening the Colorado River during this time of rapid climate change; we should be protecting and restoring this keystone river rather than treating it like an endless com-
- The impacts of Gross Reservoir expansion project are inconsistent with the Boulder County Comprehensive Plan, violating protection of Critical Wildlife Areas and the Walker Ranch/Upper Eldorado Canyon Environmental Conservation Area. Reservoir expansion would inundate a substantial area of forest including Forsyth Canyon and falls, cause wetlands destruction, disrupt migrating corridors for elk, cougars and newly resident moose. Reservoir construction would also cause the loss of five acres of two globally rare foothills riparian shrubland communities: the river birch/mesic forb community and the thinleaf alder/mesic forb community.
- Environmental effects of construction and reservoir expansion would impair South Boulder Creek's water quality Clean Water Act water quality standards for iron and copper may be exceeded. Increased mercury levels in water and fish in Gross Reservoir already have resulted in a fish consumption alert from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment because of mercury levels in fish. The source of mercury is atmospheric deposition from coal-fired power plant emissions. Deposition from the atmosphere will be proportional to the expanded surface area of the reservoir, which would be doubled.

Thank you, Boulder County commissioners, for fighting for and protecting the citizens and environment of Boulder

Pat Shanks is vice-chair of the Sierra Club

expanded reservoir is needed for future *Indian Peaks Group*.

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From: allyn s feinberg

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Gross Reservoir Expansion

Date: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 3:11:49 PM



March 13, 2019

Honorable Commissioners Elise Jones Deb Gardener Matt Jones

Re: PLAN-Boulder supports Boulder County 1041 authority for proposed Gross Dam expansion

Dear Commissioners:

PLAN-Boulder County strongly supports the assertion of Boulder County's 1041 powers to review Denver Water's plans to expand Gross Reservoir. Official review of this project by Boulder County is essential as this would be the largest construction project in the history of the County and this is exactly the type of project Colorado's 1041 Regulations were created for. Local review of this massive and unnecessary project is of utmost importance. Thank you for taking the necessary steps to ensure this happens, even if it means a court battle with Denver Water.

PLAN-Boulder opposes the Gross Reservoir expansion for the following reasons:

- 1) The dam raising would be the largest construction project in the history of Boulder County and will be hugely disruptive to the environment and region;
- 2) There is a crisis on the Colorado River and it is irresponsible for the East slope to divert additional water at this time:
- 3) Denver doesn't need the water. Denver has a robust water system already, without expanding Gross Reservoir. Water use in Denver, and across the region has declined. Water conservation and efficiency have been tremendously successful over the past 20 years. Additional per capita reductions are anticipated into the future.

The proposal to expand Gross Reservoir has been in progress for more than 20 years. PLAN-Boulder is now taking a formal position because in that time it has become clear that climate change is impacting winters in Colorado, reducing flows on the Colorado River. There is a water

crisis on the Colorado River and it is irresponsible and unnecessary for Denver Water to take additional water from the Colorado River Basin at this time, even though water rights and "entitlements" provide a legal basis.

PLAN-Boulder has reviewed Denver Water's demand projections associated with the Gross Reservoir permit and do not find the analysis a convincing argument of need. Since the permit was submitted, water demand in Denver Water's service area has actually declined substantially, because of effective efficiency and conservation measures. Denver Water's analysis substantially over-estimates future need for water and should be challenged.

The dam itself, if constructed will be 431 feet tall and in fact, the tallest dam in Colorado history. The expanded Gross Reservoir it creates will be filled largely with water collected from the headwaters of the Colorado River in the Fraser River valley. The project, by definition, will reduce flow on an annual basis in the Colorado River, even though there are some low flow guarantees in both the Fraser and South Boulder Creek associated with project.

Thank you for taking the necessary steps to assert Boulder County's 1041 power to review this massive, environmentally damaging, and unnecessary project. PLAN-Boulder understands that this will likely land the County in court with Denver Water, and stands in full support of Boulder County's 1041 review and is prepared to assist in any way we can.

The significance of fighting the Gross Reservoir expansion will be felt all the way down the Colorado River Basin. The effort to keep more water in the Colorado River and prevent a collapse of this essential system is truly a front line climate change battle. We are proud to see Boulder County taking the lead in the effort.

Sincerely,

Allyn Feinberg Co-Chair, PLAN-Boulder County From: Wufoo

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Contact County Commissioners [#1001] - [Name: Reynolds, Richard] Re: Gross Dam expansion (please deny)--

Technical comments Geologic Hazards

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Comments, Question or Feedback *

Comments on Moffat Collection System Project in the Final EIS: Geology and geological hazards (ES.7.6 and 3.5.1.1)

Fundamental omissions and incompleteness of analyses lead to concern that decision-makers and fellow county residents are left in the dark about issues that could affect our health, safety, and well-being.

At the very least, failure of the EIS to address certain health and safety issues leads to uncertainty that can generate anxiety — a health issue by itself.

"Geology and geologic impacts"

There are hazards associated with expansion of the dam related to the additional water with increases in lake level by 124 ft. These hazards have been obliquely addressed, or not at all, in the EIS.

One possible hazard is slope failure resulting in landslides into the reservoir. If such slope material were voluminous and failure occurred catastrophically, a large wave would inevitably be produced that could overtop the dam. Such an event would likely endanger people and structures downstream.

The bedrock has lots of weaknesses, joints, and fractures putting large bodies of the bedrock vulnerable to slope failure. The sizes of such bodies appear range in size on the order of cars, trucks, small buildings, perhaps even small warehouses.

The EIS acknowledges the possibilities of slope failure while omitting its inevitable consequence, should slope failure occur.

As another critical issue, the planned location for expansion of the SW arm of the dam is a surface of deep weathering that 80 feet deep—a zone that could be weak, porous, and trasnmissive to groundwater flow.

Overall, permission to proceed is sought before assessing hazards in a meaningful way? I realize that this is the way many projects are done (have seen that before!), but it shouldn't be that way today in our County.

More documentation about conditions at the site are attached

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From: Wufoo

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Contact County Commissioners [#1002] - [Name: Reynolds, Richard] Re: Gross reservoir expansion (please

deny) technical comments on air quality

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Comments, Question or Feedback *

Comments of Air Quality in the EIS: ES.6.11 and 3.13.0, 3.13.1, 3.13.2).

The air quality assessments completely miss the points about the potential health effects of airborne particulate matter on people, especially those close to the reservoir as well as those living near dirt haul roads.

Sure, the project won't affect regional air quality bearing on health nor will it degrade visibility in Class I viewsheds. But what matters are the particulates —in their sizes, amounts, and compositions—that are actually respired, regardless of what and where monitoring for particulates is done in the Denver Metro Area far away from the construction zones.

Completely lacking is an analysis of possible exposure to nearby residents, and thus these residents have every reason for concern and anxiety. The EIS refers to minimal requirements stipulated by EPA. The EIS does not address the real-world conditions to be faced by residents.

As another matter, EPA has set various standards for certain very small particle sizes (PM10 and PM2.5—and rightly so) as indicated in the EIS. (PM10 refers to particles less than 10-micrometers in aerodynamic diameter; 2.5 micrometers similarly for PM2.5. A typical human hair has a diameter of about 80 micrometers.) But at the personal level, having these standards does not guarantee healthy air, despite EPA's best efforts. Referring to all airborne dust particles (atmospheric "dust" considered generally to be PM63 — Total Suspended Particulates), there is strong epidemiological evidence in peer–reviewed scientific literature for severe health impacts brought on with increasing amounts of TSP (references in previously attached document).

The analysis of particulate matter in the EIS is mostly boiler-plate and amateurish, at best. There are valid reasons to dismiss that analysis as irrelevant and to consider what might actually affect County residents near the construction/transportation areas

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Dear Commissioners:

I have examined a few aspects of the Moffat Collection System Project in the Final EIS by U.S., Army Corps of Engineers https://www.nwo.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory-Program/Colorado/EIS-Moffat/ prepared by Denver Water. The following comments pertain to Geology and geological hazards (ES.7.6 and 3.5.1.1) and to Air Quality (ES.6.11 and 3.13.0, 3.13.1, 3.13.2).

In these sections, fundamental omissions and incompleteness of analyses lead to concern that decision-makers and fellow county residents are left in the dark about issues that could affect our health, safety, and well-being. The sources of these shortcomings are opaque, but lack of expertise, to put it politely, on the part of technical teams that produced the reports is one likelihood.

At the very least, failure of the EIS to address certain health and safety issues leads to uncertainty that can generate anxiety -- a health issue by itself.

Below are itemized comments following the headings provided in the documents.

"Geology and geologic impacts"

There are hazards associated with expansion of the dam related to the additional water with increases in lake level by 124 ft. These hazards have been obliquely addressed, or not at all, in the EIS.

One hazard is the possibility of slope failure resulting in landslide and large rock fall into the reservoir. If such slope material occupied a great volume and occurred catastrophically, a large wave would inevitably be produced. Depending on water level, the wave could overtop the dam. Such an event would likely endanger people and structures downstream.

A likely scenario for slope failure is lubrication of joint (crack) and fracture faces in bedrock by increases in hydraulic pressure with higher lake level. Simultaneously or alternatively, injection of lake water could cause a higher pore pressure in material (clay) between joints and fractures that could reduce the effective normal strength and hence the shear resistance.

Although it would be difficult to ascribe quantitatively (with probability) a risk to these scenarios, I doubt that anyone can deny the possibility about whether such an outcome could happen. Hence, we are left with uncertainty.

I'm astonished, then, that the EIS acknowledges the possibilities of slope failure while omitting its inevitable consequence, should slope failure happen.

Either the authors are not aware of the potential consequences, or they are hiding it.

Anyone familiar with geoengineering, such as should be the authors of the EIS, would know about these potential problems, including the prime example of the Vajont Dam failure in

northern Italy in 1963 that wiped out villages and killed about 2500 people (https://blogs.agu.org/landslideblog/2008/12/11/the-vaiont-vajont-landslide-of-1963).

We will not see anything close to this event in the case of Gross Reservoir. It's suspicious, however, that even a much less catastrophic possibility is ignored especially when the EIS acknowledges the possibility of slope failure, as follows, in quotations.

ES.7.6: "The expansion of Gross Reservoir....may slightly increase the potential for reservoir-induced seismicity. "...[the reservoir site] may be susceptible to potentially unstable slopes and reservoir rim instability as a result of erosion, seepage, wave action, and water level fluctuations.

3.5.1.1: Geologic Structures

"Geologic structures at Gross Reservoir include faults, shears, joints, veins, and dikes. Faults and shears typically consist of a zone of fractured rock, often intensely fractured, that surrounds one or more clayey to breccia-filled gouge zones. Two of the largest geologic structures located within the reservoir, the Livingston and Copeland faults, are related to the Rogers Fault, which is a northwest trending, steeply dipping fault with a trace length of approximately20 miles (Gable 1972;Wells 1967). The rock mass at Gross Reservoir also contains numerous smaller faults and shears The rock is also jointed, with variable orientations, but typically with two nearly vertical joint sets and one low angle joint set. *Thus, the rock mass has a blocky appearance due to the three dimensional interconnected jointing that allows the rock to part into blocks of rock.* Areas consisting of massive rock outcrops often also contain exfoliation joints that form *parallel to the surface of the outcrop* and extend a few feet to tens of feet into the rock mass. *Exfoliation weathering produces large tabular blocks of rock that separate from the rock mass and may slide off steeper slopes.* The rock mass contains numerous veins, often quartz filled, that range from strong to weak and may form discontinuities." [my parens]

Geologic Hazards

"Geologic hazards at Gross Reservoir include erosion and rock fall potential. The Rogers Fault is not considered to be potentially active (Kirkham and Rogers 1981). The rim of Gross Reservoir consists of *weathered granodiorite* that, with the overlying colluvium, soils, and rock fragments, is prone to erosion. Within the reservoir area, *rock fall potential is present at numerous granodiorite outcrops located along and above the rim of the reservoir. The nearly vertical cliffs* (300 to 400 feet high) and loose material at the dam site create rock fall potential due to ice-wedging, blasting, sliding, etc." [my parens]

So, the rock has lots of weaknesses, and large bodies of the bedrock are vulnerable to slope failure.

There is a glaring inconsistency in the EIS Chapter 3 in describing the "bedrock". The bedrock is very old (Precambrian) "granodiorite" (very similar to granite). In an introductory sentence, the granodiorite is described as "hard and strong".

The document goes on in more detail: "In high areas on the canyon slopes and along ridges above the canyon there are areas of highly weathered and decomposed granodiorite. Locally, the

decomposed granodiorite extends tens of feet into the bedrock and is typically weathered to greater depths along joints and shears. Numerous corestones (a portion of the rock mass that remains unweathered) form in the decomposed granodiorite because rock located between joints and shears does not weather as rapidly as the surrounding non-decomposed granodiorite. The result is large, rounded, and relatively unweathered blocks of granodiorite or corestones surrounded by the soil-like decomposed granodiorite. In some areas the decomposed rock has been eroded and carried away, leaving behind surfaces covered by large boulders or corestones.

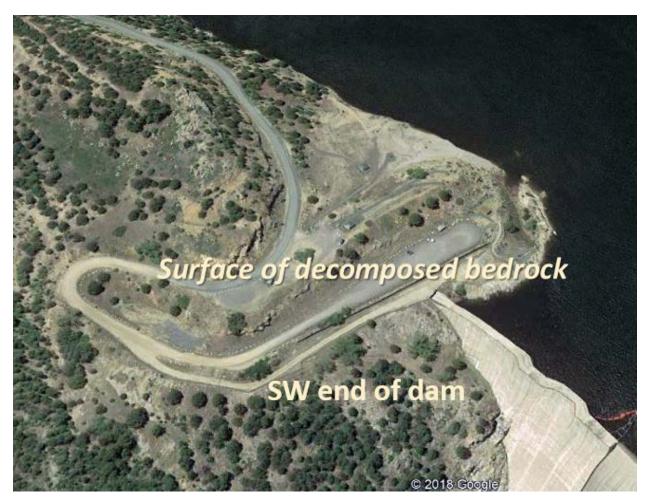
So, the bedrock is not at all consistently "hard".

How large could such a slope-failure event be? Considering only the corestones that appear to be vulnerable to sliding into the reservoir, how big are they? Please take a look on Google Earth. The sizes and locations of the corestones are obvious. They appear range in size on the order of cars, trucks, small buildings, perhaps even small warehouses. Slopes around most of the reservoir are low – suggesting a very low likelihood of catastrophic failure -- but slopes are very steep at the west end.



As another critical issue, I am deeply concerned about the planned location for expansion of the SW arm of the dam. The area of expansion is a surface of deep weathering, known as the Eocene Erosion Surface, which covers much of the foothills in the Front Range. The deep weathering extends perhaps as deeply as 80 feet. Such weathered bedrock might be considered potentially very weak with respect to holding up the concrete mass of a dam. Furthermore, one

should evaluate how water might work its way through such decomposed material. In technical terms, what are the porosity and transmissivity -- the rate at which groundwater flows horizontally through an aquifer -- of the weathered material? Would such groundwater flow undermine the dam structure?



I'm not comforted by any of this, considering also the statement in the EIS that: "Potential issues ... would be addressed through geotechnical and seismic studies in the design and construction phases ... A dam safety analysis would be conducted for any new dam or modification to an existing dam, and designs would be reviewed by Federal and State agencies."

These statements couldn't be any more vague and disconcerting. So, permission to proceed is sought before assessing hazards in a meaningful way? I realize that this is the way many projects are done (have seen that before!), but it shouldn't be that way today in our County.

Air Quality (ES.6.11 and 3.13.0, 3.13.1, 3.13.2).

The air quality assessments completely miss the points about the potential health effects of airborne particulate matter on people, especially those close to the reservoir as well as those living near dirt haul roads. Sure, the project won't affect regional air quality bearing on health nor will it degrade visibility in Class I viewsheds. But what matters are the particulates --in their sizes, amounts, and compositions -- that are actually respired, regardless of what and where monitoring for particulates is done in the counties of the Denver Metro Area far away from the construction zones. Completely lacking is an analysis of possible exposure to nearby residents, and thus these residents have every reason for concern and anxiety. The EIS refers to minimal requirements stipulated by EPA. The EIS does not address the real-world conditions to be faced by residents.

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The analysis of particulate matter in the EIS is mostly boiler-plate and amateurish, at best. There are valid reasons to dismiss that analysis as irrelevant and to consider what might actually affect County residents near the construction and transportation areas.

Thank you for your consideration. I would be pleased to discuss further. The opinions above are my own and do not represent those of any organization or institution.

Sincerely,

Richard Reynolds

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From: Greg Ching

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>; <u>Case</u>, <u>Dale</u>

Cc: Teagen Blakey; Clark Chapman; Dave Bahr
Subject: late Gross Dam Expansion comment
Date: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:11:56 AM
Attachments: Gross Dam Expansion comment.pdf

I wasn't certain how to submit a late comment for the Gross Dam Expansion hearing. I am not able to attend otherwise I would sign up to read it as a public comment. This is not a form letter.

Best regards,

greg

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Dear Boulder County Commissioners:

I regret I was unaware of the March 12 deadline for public comment.

I am commenting on the proposed Gross Reservoir and Dam expansion as a former resident of 20 years along Magnolia Road and a Bachelor of Applied Science Water Quality Management Technology student at Red Rocks Community College where I am a student member of the American Water Works Association and the Water Environment Federation. I graduate with an Associate of Applied Science in Water Quality Management degree this Spring. I am a Class D Water Operator, Class D Wastewater Operator, and Certified Water Professional (CWP).

I first learned about the Gross Dam expansion over a decade ago by attending neighborhood meetings and reviewing written comments by others. I attended various local hearings (including Boulder County's 2011 Gross Dam 1041-referencing hearing) and even questioned then Mayor Hickenlooper about Denver Water's plans (per my 2011 column for on-line publication Denver Green Streets). I lived through the 2013 flood which unexpectedly submerged my mountain basement. I hosted an informal meeting at my home for Denver Water's Director of Planning Dave Little and a few neighborhood scientists including planetary scientist Dr. Clark Chapman and climate scientist Dr. David Bahr. Meeting Dave Little and later touring Denver Water's various treatment facilities influenced my decision to enter the water/wastewater treatment field in 2016.

I am reading the voluminous Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for this project with new eyes. I've even met with some of the EIS writers at consulting firm HDR. I can't really say I understand this massive document or the Colorado Water Plan even with my new water education. I truly doubt the general public does, either. I've made it a point to read water history books such as Patty Limerick's "A Ditch In Time" and Marc Reisner's "Cadillac Desert". I fear inexpensive agricultural water, leaky water infrastructure, inefficient toilets, unwise landscaping, and increasing hydraulic fracturing water usage are the elephants in the room.

Hydraulic fracturing water usage will likely increase in Boulder County. Some lessons can be learned from Weld County. Reviewing WATER USE FOR HYDRAULIC FRACTURING OF OIL AND GAS IN THE SOUTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN, COLORADO" (JAWRA Journal of the American Water Resources Association · June 2017) it reported "water used for HF accounted for 0.24% of the state's consumptive water demand, 0.73% of the basin's water demand, 2.44% of the county's water demand, and 6.9% of the city of Greeley for 2014. The water used for HF within Weld County in 2014 (20.8 Mm3) was enough to supply 93,900 people (35% of the population) for a year (assuming .61 m3/ day and current population of 270,560), accounting for 3% of the 780 Mm3 municipal demand increase expected in 2030. Though water use for HF is a small percentage of the state water budget at the annual scale, this volume can be significant at the county and city scale when deciding water allocation between industries, especially during drought years."

I attended the March 8th, 2019 Colorado History Museum's excellent retrospective "The Fork Not Taken" which brought back former and current EPA administrators, former Denver Water Director of Planning, current Denver Water CEO, environmentalists, two journalists, and a few Colorado River Cooperative Agreement stakeholders to review and discuss the proposed Two Forks Dam's demise. Besides a wonderful historical perspective, I took away three messages: (1) Denver Water added a much needed water efficiency focus after the Two Forks project was denied; (2) expanding Gross Reservoir would not have much of a difference in the 2013 flood; (3) current Colorado water laws impede storm water management.

As I wrote in 2011, I still believe water conservation, primarily by replacing inefficient toilets and xeriscaping lawns, will save more water at lower cost than the proposed Gross Reservoir expansion. I have faith that Denver Water if forced can innovate again based upon the Two Forks Dam denial experience.

Regarding the claim that a larger Gross Dam will help with flood control, at the Two Forks perspective I asked Denver Water's Gross Dam Program Manager Jeff Martin about the 2013 flood overflow. Even with downstream spillways closed (at the request of downstream cities), only about 200 cubic feet per second (under 400 acre-feet per day) spilled over the dam during this "1,000-year rain and 100-year flood." (Boulder Daily Camera, 21 Sept 2013) While every drop of water is precious I question the opportunity cost of building flood control that will have little use. I do propose a storm water management alternative.

Many Asian cities (Hong Kong and Tokyo, for example) use underground cisterns to manage storm water. These expensive projects typically store water underground and pump the stored water out after the flood danger recedes. A less expensive method would be to drill dry wells above the water table to recharge aquifers. Current Colorado water rights law may hinder this process and care would be needed to avoid contamination. From a technical perspective it may be possible to drill dry wells to recharge underground aquifers downstream from Gross Dam. Downstream commitments say on the South Platte River can be met by measuring the increased river flow via the sub channel Denver formation outflow, comparing it to the metered dry well input. Alternatively, natural artesian pressure found in the Denver metro area (e.g. Eldorado Springs) will push underground stored water to the surface.

I encourage a review of the 2004 study by the Colorado Geological Survey and Colorado Department of Natural Resources titled ARTIFICIAL RECHARGE OF GROUND WATER IN COLORADO which identified several 100,000 acre-feet underground reservoirs, dwarfing the increased Gross Reservoir capacity, totaling over 1 million acre-feet of potential underground storage. Savings on surface dam evaporation losses and the natural percolation of the Denver formation will result in increased surface water flows without extensive pumping to prove downstream commitments. The authors state:

Sustainable water management relies on the ability to store water. The traditional method of storing water has been to construct dams and develop reservoirs (Fig I-1). However, the high cost and long timeframes combined with adverse ecological, environmental, and socio-cultural impacts have hindered construction of new large reservoir projects in the west. In addition,

surface reservoirs lose tremendous amounts of water to evaporation (especially in the semi-arid west), require expensive maintenance, accumulate sediment, have the potential of structural failure, are vulnerable to contamination whether accidental or by criminal acts, increase breeding areas for disease carrying insects, and interfere with river ecology. A viable alternative is the storage of water below ground in aquifers, which are natural reservoirs.

Anyway, I realize my comments are late. I wish I could attend this hearing but I cannot. I'm confident you'll do your best for Boulder County. Thank you.

Best regards,

Greg Ching 801 Sir Galahad Dr. Lafayette, CO 80026 From: Wufoo

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: Contact County Commissioners [#1003] - [Name: Chase, Julia] Re: Please Stop Gross Dam Expansion Project

Date: Thursday, March 14, 2019 8:16:13 AM

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Nederland, CO 80466

Phone Number (optional) (303) 886–1807

Subject * Please Stop Gross Dam Expansion Project

Comments, Question or Feedback *

Dear Boulder County Commissioners,

My husband (John) and I live off of Magnolia Road (close to the intersection with CR 68). So, we am very concerned about the huge impacts that a 5-year project to expand Gross Dam would have to the safety and well-being of the people in our area. The increased truck activity and noise would be relentless and dangerous. We are also very concerned about the negative environmental impacts to the beautiful trees and our beautiful waterfall hike (Forsythe Trail).

We respectfully request that you use all of your administrative, regulatory, and legal powers – including "1041 power" granted to counties by the state – to help stop Denver Water's proposed expansion of Gross Dam and Reservoir for the same reasons as Save the Colorado group has submitted. We support the opinion of the Dale Case, Boulder County Land Use Director, that Denver Water Board is required to go through the 1041 process. We may not be there to speak tonight's hearing due to health reasons, but we will be supporting our many wonderful neighbors who are also very concerned.

Thank you for protecting the citizens and environment of Boulder County! Julia Chase

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From: Andi Dudeck on behalf of Bruce Alexander

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: GRE Support

Date: Thursday, March 14, 2019 9:05:32 AM
Attachments: Miramonte Letter - Boulder County.pdf

Good Morning,

I am sending this email to express my support of Denver Water and the Gross Dam Enlargement Program. I have known and worked with Travis Bray and others for a number of years and have built strong relationships. I have found Travis to be attentive, responsive and highly ethical. A letter is attached to this email for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Bruce Alexander

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March 14, 2019

Board of County Commissioners Boulder County Via email

Dear Commissioners,

I am a longtime property owner in the Miramonte subdivision immediately adjacent to Gross Reservoir. I understand that should the Gross Reservoir Expansion Project go forward, my neighbors and I will experience impacts from the quarrying and construction activities.

You may be aware that a portion of our property is being taken using Denver Water's eminent domain powers. They have been professional and reasonable throughout the process and I believe they have acted in good faith.

While I'd absolutely prefer that the project was not necessary, the interactions I've had with Denver Water staff gives me confidence that they will do everything in their power to continue being good neighbors during construction and beyond.

Sincerely,

Bruce Alexander
President & CEO
Vectra Bank Colorado

From:

Wufoo Boulder County Board of Commissioners; Hackett, Richard To: Subject: Gross Reservoir Land Use 1041 Determination [#47]

Date: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:05:50 AM

Name *	Phyllis Feigenbaum
Email *	bleubyrd1@gmail.com
Enter your comments (or attach a comment document below): *	I am unable to attend because I am not able to get out of my driveway due to snow. Please, please do not penalize me and allow my written comments (attached) to be read by the Commissioners. Thank you.
Attach a File (optional)	for_commissioners.doc 26.11 KB · DOC
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Let's talk about motivation; i.e. what motivates the call to action on either side of this "debate?" My husband and I have lived in Coal Creek Canyon for 10 years, and have owned property in the canyon for over 25. We feel incredibly fortunate to live in such a beautiful place. Our motivation for being here tonight and speaking out is to defend and preserve unmolested our homes, our environment, and our community.

What is Denver Water's motivation? Are the speakers here because they have a vested interest in protecting our beautiful community? How many actually live here? How many actually feel the pain of this debate process or truly understand or care about the devastation that will occur to our environment over a protracted period of time?

Is it possible that Denver Water's motivation is simply greed? Again, do the representatives of Denver Water who sit in this room and offer up their bullet points have a vested interest in preserving our beautiful environment, or are they here only because they are paid shills working on behalf of corporate interest and big money? If so, shame on you.

Finally, Boulder Commissioners, you are here because you have been voted into office to support, protect and defend your constituency. It is a high calling, being entrusted with our well-being. Your motivation should be to support those who voted you into office and who clearly have strong opinions regarding this decision. The right thing to do is prevent the attempt to bypass local authority by claiming an exemption from a local permitting process. This is not rocket science; there is a right and a wrong! Boulder Water is not exempt and it is shameful, and not surprising, that they are making their appeal. They are bullies, and you must not allow it them to bypass the local permitting process! Anything short of agreeing with the Land Use Director's determination will be shameful and a stain on this Board's integrity and reputation.

Finally, please, show us that our voices really count. Otherwise, you will be supporting my fear that we have moved beyond the point where individual input counts for anything.

From:

Wufoo Boulder County Board of Commissioners; Hackett, Richard To: Subject: Gross Reservoir Land Use 1041 Determination [#48]

Date: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:01:28 PM

Name *	Karl Dickensheets
Email *	shai5dove@aol.com
Enter your comments (or attach a comment document below): *	I am writing to express my opposition to giving Denver Water authority through the 1041 determination to expand Gross Reservoir. It would be clearly a dramatic negative impact on the environment and lifestyle of Colorado, which is at the essence of the 1041 intent.
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Boulder County Commissioner hearing, March 14, 2019 – regarding the Planning Director's determination that Denver Water is not exempt from requiring a 1041 permit.

1. Thank you, and my husband Bob Shellenberger for giving me his 3 minutes – Bob was the first person in CCC to organize the community against the Moffat project - 10 years ago.

MY focus has been three-fold -

- (1) ANALYZE AND EXPOSE the errors in Denver Water's supply and demand calculations, including the fake data that were used to project a shortfall beginning in 2016 didn't happen and
 - (2) CRITIQUE THE VALITY of the purposes and needs of the project AND
 - (3) **RESEARCH** VIABLE ALTERNATIVES to the project

HOWEVER, the issue today is local control

and the 1041 POWERS AND REGULATIONS,
ESTABLISED by the AREAS AND ACTIVITIES OF STATE INTEREST ACT, 1974

EVERYONE IN THIS ROOM, understands the **IMPORTANCE** of local control, AND the importance of **USING LC** and **PROTECTING LC**

UNDER THE ACT DETAILING THE 1041 POWERS

Every county and municipality has the AUTHORITY to <u>WRITE</u> specific 1041 regulations and to <u>DESIGNATE</u> the areas and activities relevant to it.

This was a **SIGNIFICANT SHIFT** FROM THE TRADITIONAL **ZONING METHOD**By which local govts. exercised SOME CONTROL over land development.

ALSO in 1974, the **Local Government Land Use Control Enabling Act** came into effect. THIS Act states AREAS OF LOCAL CONTROL

including protection of wildlife habitat, and of PARTICULAR interest to us, "authority to prohibit, set conditions for or require a permit for the establishment of any road authorized under the general right-of-way granted to the public."

This is important because DW plans to **bulldoze** NEW roads and use existing roads for tree removal - A PERMIT MAKES SENSE –

whether related to right-of-way or not.

<u>The bottom line</u> - these ACTS include permitting power.

This is essential: without a permitting, or control function, 1041 REGULATIONS
HAVE NO TEETH

BUT, DW claims that **it is exempt** from requiring a 1041 permit; **LAND USE Director Dale Case** says no – **DW is not exempt and MUST apply for a 1041 permit.**

From:

Wufoo
Boulder County Board of Commissioners To:

Subject: Contact County Commissioners [#1005] - [Name: Bob, Bob] Re: Gross Reservoir

Date: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:58:07 PM

Name *	Bob Bob
Email *	ob@bob.com
Subject *	Gross Reservoir
Comments, Question or Feedback *	We really have do what we can to stop this expansion
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From: <u>Leslie Glustrom</u>

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>

Subject: Please Support the Gross Dam Local ("1041") Process

Date: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:13:14 PM

Dear Commissioners--I can not attend the public hearing this afternoon, but please support the decision of Boulder County Land Use Director requiring Denver Water to go through the local process on the proposed Gross Dam Expansion.

This is a massive issue for our County. It must go through the "1041" local review process!

We need to manage our water and our county's natural resources wisely. Please oppose Denver Water's appeal!

Thank you as always

Leslie Glustrom

Leslie Glustrom Boulder, Colorado 720-341-3154-cell From: <u>Judy Green</u>

To: Boulder County Board of Commissioners

Subject: comment: public hearing 14 March

Date: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:22:51 PM

Attachments: <u>Hearing, 14 March.docx</u>

Boulder County Commissioners Jones, Gardner and Jones:

I am sending this comment, exactly as I would read it at the hearing this afternoon (crazy looking as it is) because it is possible that we will not get up our steep and drifted driveway, on a ridge at the top of Coal Creek Canyon. The drifts are higher than the snow blower so we must shovel first and are now taking a lunch break!

This would be disappointing; we have been working against the Moffat Project from the beginning - ten years. We know however, that you will support the determination by Dale Case that Denver Water is not exempt and must seek a 1041 permit. And we are confident that if the case goes to court, you, and the 1041 powers, will prevail.

Thank you for your service,

Judith Green Bob Shellenberger

please see attachment

POINT 1: DW makes this claim on a **technicality** – saying that the land was zoned for use as a reservoir Prior to HB 74-1041 and is therefore exempt, as stated in the ACT

EVEN SO - the spirit of the law - the INTENT of the 1041 powers that give control and permitting power to local governments, cannot be subverted or negated by this technicality.

EVEN IF - DW can prove that the land was zoned for a reservoir, the MASSIVE PROJECT ITSELF is **NOT ZONED so to speak**, and must be scrutinized and permitted, as the 1041 powers prescribe.

This is the TRUE INTENT AND spirit, of the law.

DW USES the **SAFEWAY** in Estes Park as an EXAMPLE of the zoning exemption—
((I would love to know more about this case))

WE KKNOW FOR SURE THAT the developer WAS NOT EXEMPT FROM BUILDING CODES – for example CERTAINLY THIS WOULD APPLY TO BUILDING A DAM

Denver Water SHOULD WELCOME the opportunity to set the record straight and adhere to the regulations of the county

Instead, DW is trying to weasel out of its obligation to the county.

Of NOTE: appeals courts uphold local control and use of 1041 powers.

IN **DW vs. Grand County,** 1989, the COLORADO SUPREME COURT upheld the lower court's decision FOR GRAND COUNTY.

POINT 2: The legitimacy of requiring a permit is further stated in the Act,

"Whenever an application for a permit . . contains a statement describing the proposed nature, uses and activities in conceptual terms . . . conceptual approval . . . shall be made subject to the applicant . . completing all prerequisite detailed additional information . . .

AT least two important aspects of the Moffat project are "conceptual" – TREE REMOVAL and TRAFFIC SAFETY.

Following the INTENT of the law,

it is clear that the county

has the authority to <u>require a permit application</u> from DW so that these "conceptual" plans can be DETAILED AND APPRAISED.

The "ZONING EXEMPTION" is NOT an EXEMPTION FROM HONESTY AND CLARITY.

POINT 3: Boulder County has TWO KEY DOCUMENTS on land development and guardianship:

The Comprehensive Plan – philosophy "preservation of our environmental and natural resources"

The Land Use Code – enacted to "protect and promote the health, safety and general welfare of Boulder County residents and to guide growth and development . . . " and "plays a large role in determining how unincorporated Boulder County (THAT's US) will look In the future."

Both documents include protection of the environment as paramount

The Land Use Code has 19 articles that describe the areas of responsibility and duties of the county in carrying out the purposes of the land use code, and the comprehensive plan for the county.

Article 1: B. promotion of the health, safety, morals, convenience, order, prosperity or welfare of the inhabitants . . THAT INCLUDES: "through such means as lessening traffic congestion . . . we ARE HAPPY ABOUT THAT -

Article 8 codifies Boulder County's 1041 regulations HERE IT IS

8-202 **Purposes and Intent** - - here we have the specific purposes and intent of the 1041 regulations – "...to determine if utilities or uses proposed to be in unincorporated Boulder County are in conformance with the Comprehensive Plan"

GO TO ARTICLE 8 – excellent items – many apply directly to the Moffat Project – Article 3: "Encourage uses of land and natural resources per their character.. THE CHARACTER OF A TREE IS TO REMAIN STANDING...

POINT 4 – As stewards of the natural environment and bound by the Comprehensive Plan and the Land Use Code, - you – are duty-bound to use the 1041 powers for local control _ there is no other choice - you have the authority and it is the clear intention (or spirit of the law) that you use it.

THEREFORE: please support THE DETERMINATION that DW is NOT exempt and must obtain 1041 permit before progressing with ITS destructive Moffat Project in Boulder County.

THANK YOU

Judith Green Bob Shellenberger From: Wufoo

To: <u>Boulder County Board of Commissioners</u>; <u>Hackett, Richard</u>
Subject: Gross Reservoir Land Use 1041 Determination [#49]

Date: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:49:31 PM

Name * Julie Naster

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Enter your comments (or attach a comment document below): *

As I understand it Colorado law grants "1041 powers" to local governments to identify, designate, and regulate areas and activities of state interest through a local permitting process. The general intention of these powers is to allow for local governments to maintain their control over development projects even where the development project has statewide impacts. The proposed dam expansion most certainly falls within the original intent of this regulation. Ignoring this regulation amounts to quasi–governmental overreach by a very powerful entity accustomed to getting it's way in Colorado (i.e., Denver Water). This is wrong! Boulder County must be thoroughly and honestly involved in the permitting of this project, which will have a huge impact on the county.

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