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## **CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FOR THE PROPOSED DRINKING WATER PROJECT FOR THE TOWN OF SWINK**

The Water Quality Control Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has conducted a review of the proposed drinking water project for the **Town of Swink** in accordance with EPA and the State of Colorado procedures for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (40 CFR Part 6) and the State of Colorado NEPA-like policy (SRF Operating Agreement). The State has determined that this project is eligible for a categorical exclusion. Accordingly, the State is exempting the project from further substantive environmental review requirements under the above stated policies.

### **Project Description:**

The proposed project is to install in the existing facility an HMO chemical feed system. The HMO chemical feed system consists of a fully automated skid-mounted package with feed pumps, mixing equipment, feed tank, flushing system, new low-head backwash pumps, and flow control valves. The proposed project also consists of the expansion of the current building housing the existing treatment equipment by adding a 12'X16' section. The project will be funded by a Drinking Water State Revolving Fund loan in the amount of \$633,000. \$287,303 will be principal forgiveness, and \$345,697 will be a loan with an interest rate of 1% for 30 years.

The project by design would not increase the drinking water demand for the planning area.

### **Criteria for Granting a Categorical Exclusion under 40 CFR parts 6.107 and 6.505**

The action proposed will ensure compliance with current and future water treatment standards. The following criteria condition the allowance of the categorical exclusion for the proposed action:

- Minor rehabilitation of the existing facility;
- Functional replacement of equipment;
- Minor upgrades and expansions of existing water systems in communities of 10,000 populations or less.

The documentation to support this decision will be on file at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Water Quality Control Division, in Denver, Colorado and is available for public scrutiny upon request. Comments concerning this decision may be addressed to:

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Dated this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2011.

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Steven H. Gunderson, Director  
Water Quality Control Division