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CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION FOR THE PROPOSED WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PROJECT FOR THE TOWN OF HOT SULPHUR SPRINGS

The Water Quality Control Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has conducted a review of the proposed water pollution control project for the **Town of Hot Sulphur Springs** 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 the rehabilitation of the existing Wastewater Treatment Plant to bring the system back to compliance with the existing discharge permit. The project will be funded by a Water Pollution Control State Revolving Fund loan in the amount of \$706,000 at 2% for 20 years. The project will increase the user rates by \$7.98 per month.

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

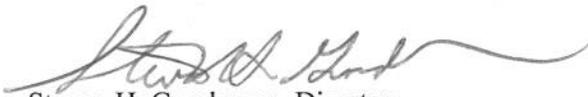
The action proposed will ensure compliance with current and future water treatment standards. The following criteria condition the allowance of the categorical exclusion for the proposed action:

- Minor rehabilitation of existing facilities;
- Functional replacement of equipment.

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 10th day of April, 2012.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Steven H. Gunderson". The signature is written in dark ink and has a long, sweeping tail that extends to the right.

Steven H. Gunderson, Director
Water Quality Control Division