



SJR22-002

SHORT TITLE: Water Projects Eligibility Lists

LONG TITLE: Concerning approval of water project revolving fund eligibility lists administered by the Colorado water resources and power development authority

SPONSORS: Senator Donovan/Representative McCormick

COMMITTEES: Senate Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

PURPOSE OF THE BILL: To present the list of projects eligible for funding through the Drinking Water Revolving Fund and the Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund to the legislature for approval to receive funding through the state Water Resources and Power Development Authority

PROPONENTS OF THE BILL: Water Resources Review Committee

POTENTIAL STAKEHOLDERS: Water providers, municipalities, water users, water treatment entities

BACKGROUND: Each year, the Water Quality Control Division (WQCD) in the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, the CWRPDA, and the Division of Local Government in the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) prepare a list of projects that are eligible for loans from the Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund and the Drinking Water Revolving Fund. The lists are approved annually by the Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC). The projects on the eligibility list are then included in an annual joint resolution that is considered by the General Assembly. This resolution must be submitted to the General Assembly by January 15 of each year and signed by the Governor by April 1. Once the joint resolution is approved, the CWRPDA may issue loans for public drinking water and wastewater projects.

Is this bill necessary this year? Yes

How does the bill change current law? Each year the list of eligible projects changes

Does the bill affect the prior appropriations system? No

How is the bill implemented? It is self-executing

Practical Considerations: The list of eligible project requests may exceed available funding

Fiscal Impact: Funding is from EPA