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WATER CONGRESS
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February 6, 2020

Re: Cosponsor H.R. 5334 Funding our Roads and Ecosystems Sustainably Together Act

Dear Representatives Buck, Crow, DeGette, Lamborn, Neguse, Perlmutter, and Tipton:

On behalf of the Colorado Water Congress, we are writing to encourage you to cosponsor H.R. 5334, the Funding our Roads and Ecosystems Sustainably Together Act, in the 116th Congress. The Colorado Water Congress is a membership organization consisting of over 400 members, serving as the principal voice of Colorado's water community.

The Colorado Water Congress' members represent the municipal, agricultural, industrial, commercial, recreation, and environmental sectors. H.R. 5334 amends the FAST Act to authorize appropriations for the United States Forest Service for fiscal year 2021 through fiscal year 2025. It is important to the communities relying on our nation's forests for water supply and all the users of our forests that the roads are adequately maintained. Passing H.R.5334 will provide additional financial resources for the Forest Service to address a backlog in maintaining forest roads.

The Colorado Water Congress supports this legislation and hope that you will consider cosponsoring H.R.5334 and ensure that the Forest Service roads in Colorado are adequately maintained through 2025. We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff by supporting sound legislation such as H.R.5334.

Sincerely,

Andy Colosimo
Federal Affairs Committee Chair

Douglas Kemper
Executive Director