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Colorado River District (CRD)
201 Centennial St., Suite 200
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Dear Colorado River District Review Committee,

The Eagle County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is pleased to endorse the Town of Basalt's application for Colorado River District Community Funding Partnership funding of the Town's Water Utility Master Plan.

The BOCC is supportive of the Town's seeking grant funding for the Master Plan which will serve to inform the planning of capital improvements, operations and maintenance, and rate increases that may be necessary to help fund the water enterprise. This Master Plan will seek to refurbish and modernize aging infrastructure, plan for drought and conservation efforts, address water quality concerns, and seek to strengthen the reliability of the Town's water supply. This effort aligns with the River District's mission, and specifically the District's policy of supporting programs that encourage investment in capital maintenance to address, maintain, and upgrade the full function and benefit of Colorado's aging water infrastructure.

Eagle County identifies providing exceptional core services, safeguarding our natural resources and water resources, and reducing impacts of drought as guiding principles in our strategic plan. The Town of Basalt's development of a Water Utility Master Plan will further each of these County goals.

We request that the Colorado River District Review Committee consider approval of the Town of Basalt's application to meet our mutual goal of protection, conservation, use, and development of the water resources within our watershed.

Sincerely,

Jeanne McQueeney
Chair

Kathy Chandler-Henry
Commissioner

Matt Scherr
Commissioner