



NORTH FRONT RANGE WATER QUALITY PLANNING ASSOCIATION
257 Johnstown Center Dr.; Unit 206
Johnstown, CO 80534
970-587-8872 – <http://www.nfrwqpa.org>

ASSOCIATION MEETING AGENDA

May 22, 2025 @ 2:00 PM

Hybrid Meeting

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Notice is given to the North Front Range Water Quality Planning Association (NFRWQPA) members and the general public that the Association will hold its regular association meeting, which is open to the public.

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**
2. **NOTICE TO MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS RECORDED.**
3. **DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM FROM MEMBERSHIP.** – Attachment #1 (page 4).
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA.**
5. **DISCLOSURE OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.**
6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS.**
7. **APPROVAL OF PAST MINUTES.** – Attachment #2 (pages 5 - 7).
For review and consideration are the meeting minutes from March 27, 2025.
8. **FINANCIAL REPORTS:** – Attachment #3 (pages 8- 10).
The April 2025 financial statements are for review and consideration.
9. **DECISION ITEM:** [City of Loveland Utility Plan](#).
The City of Loveland has submitted a Utility Plan for consideration by the Association. The Utility Plan updates the collection system and treatment facility capital projects according to Loveland's 10-year capital improvement plan and throughout the 20-year horizon planning period.
Recommendation: Membership Approval
10. **DECISION ITEM:** [City of Loveland 1st St. 36” Interceptor Sewer Site Application](#).
The City of Loveland has submitted a Site Application for consideration for a 36” Sewer Interceptor through 1st Street. The Interceptor is approximately 1,500 feet long and is to be installed parallel to the existing 24” interceptor. The 36” 1st Street interceptor begins at a shared junction box where flows from

the Eastside Lift Station (ESLS) will be split into the new 36” and existing 24” pipelines. It will continue west to the intersection of N. Denver Avenue and 1st Street, where it connects at its downstream terminus to the Old Boyd Interceptor (36”). The 36” 1st Street Interceptor has a planned capacity of 12.66 MGD at buildout, and the existing 24” interceptor has a capacity of 1.73 MGD at buildout. Current peak hour flows to the ESLS are 4.3 MGD and is at 77% capacity. The current firm capacity of the ESLS is 5.6 MGD. Flows into the Lift Station at buildout are projected to be 12.0 MGD. The ESLS will need to be expanded to accommodate projected peak hour flows of 12.0 MGD. The proposed 36” interceptor and existing 24” interceptor will accommodate all current and projected buildout peak hour flows.

Recommendation: Membership Approval

11. DISCUSSION ITEM: [SB25-305 Water Quality Permitting Efficiency Bill overview – Attachment #4](#) (pages 11-24).

This bill will improve the permitting process over time, promote transparency, and ensure consideration of local government financial capabilities and current debt service.

Key Points of Senate Bill 25-305:

- **Purpose:** Streamlines and improves the efficiency of the water quality permitting process.
- **Annual Reporting:** Requires CDPHE to report annually to the water quality control commission, including any regulatory/legislative recommendations.
- **Permit Review:** Limits the scope of review for permit modifications to the specific requests in the application.
- **Rulemaking for Permit Procedures:** Mandates the commission to adopt rules by December 31, 2026, that establish procedures for a public review period of preliminary drafts (limited to 14 days and identifying errors).
- **Time Frames for Permits:** Requires the CDPHE to propose time frames for granting or denying permit applications by December 31, 2027, with the commission adopting these rules by June 30, 2028.
- **Consideration of Debt:** Requires the division to consider current debt service on local government water infrastructure when developing compliance schedules for new effluent limits.
- **Contractor Assistance:** Allows applicants to use qualified independent contractors for technical assistance in completing permit actions under CDPHE direction (starting May 1, 2026), with the applicant bearing the costs.
- **Transparency:** Requires the division to provide permittees access to all data and documents used in developing permit modifications or renewals.

12. DISCUSSION ITEM: [208 Areawide Water Quality Management Plan \(208 AWQMP\)](#) - Attachment #5 (pages 25 - 29).

Discuss the recommendations, actions, or goals for the 2025-208 AWQMP update from the surveys sent out to the membership in March, April, and May.

1. [March - 208 AWQMP General DMOA Recommendations and Actions](#)
2. [April - 208 AWQMP Specific DMOA Recommendations and Actions](#)
3. [May - 208 AWQMP Association Recommendations and Actions](#)
4. [June - 208 AWQMP Association Priorities and Measurable Outcomes Survey](#)

13. DISCUSSION ITEM: [Workgroup Update Presentations.](#)

The workgroup updates are available [HERE](#). Ideally, you should read them before the meeting and bring any questions you may have. This is the allotted time for any clarification you may need regarding workgroup updates.

14. ADJOURN

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Designated Management and Operation Agency Members

	Designation	Primary Contact	Alternate Contact	2025 Dues	
1	Ault, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Grant Ruff	Dustin Preston	PAID
2	Berthoud, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Chris Kirk	Wayne Ramey	PAID
3	Boxelder Sanitation District	Management/Operation Agency	Brian Zick	David Lewis	PAID
4	Brighton, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Sherry Scaggiari	Emily Meek	PAID
5	Broomfield, City & County	Management/Operation Agency	Ken Rutt	Dennis Rodriguez	PAID
6	Dacono, City of	Management Agency	Bobby Redd	Jennifer Krieger	PAID
7	Eaton, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Greg Brinck	Wesley LaVanchy	PAID
8	Erie, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Jon Coyle	Bruce Chameroy	PAID
9	Estes Park Sanitation District	Operation Agency	Tony Drees		PAID
10	Evans, City of	Management/Operation Agency	Robby Porsch		PAID
11	Fox Acres Community Services	Private Agency	Richard Hopp	James Cates	PAID
12	Frederick, Town of	Management Agency	Bryan Ostler	Tiffany Lozada	PAID
13	Ft. Collins, City of	Management/Operation Agency	Kathryne Marko	Jesse Schlam	PAID
14	Ft. Lupton, City of	Management/Operation Agency	Chris Cross		PAID
15	Greeley, City of	Management/Operation Agency	Tyler Eldridge	Adam Prior	PAID
16	Hudson, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Bruce Lange	Jennifer Woods	PAID
17	Johnstown, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Ellen Hilbig	Matt LeCerf	PAID
18	Keenesburg, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Mark Gray		PAID
19	Kersey, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Stacy Brown		PAID
20	Larimer County	Management Agency	Keila Flores		PAID
21	LaSalle, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Barry Schaeffer		PAID
22	Lochbuie, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	AJ Euckert	Wayne Ramey	PAID
23	Longmont, City of	Management/Operation Agency	Azara Bilgin	Mary Paterniti	PAID
24	Loveland, City of	Management/Operation Agency	Joe Creaghe	Brandon Cayou	PAID
25	Mead, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Hellen Migchelbrink	Erika Rasmussen	PAID
26	Metro Water Recovery	Operation Agency	Erik Burggraf	Katie Koplitz	PAID
27	Milliken, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Don Stonebrink	Brad Simons	PAID
28	Northglenn, City of	Management/Operation Agency	Manuel Freye	Shelley Stanley	PAID
29	Pierce, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Pat Larson		PAID
30	Platteville, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	David Brand	Josh Leyba	PAID
Resource Colorado Water & Sanitation					
31	Metro District		Paul Wilson	Paul Goluskin	PAID
32	Severance, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Nicholas Wharton	Mike Ketterling	PAID
33	South Ft. Collins San. Dist.	Management/Operation Agency	Derik Caudill	Eric Bailey	PAID
34	St. Vrain Sanitation District	Management/Operation Agency	Alex Arnold	Dan Feller	PAID
35	Timnath, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Earl Smith	Justin Stone	PAID
36	Upper Thompson San. Dist.	Management/Operation Agency	Suzanne Jurgens	Matt Allen	PAID
37	Weld County	Management Agency	David Eisenbraun	Katie Sall	PAID
38	Wellington, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Bob Gowing	Mike Flores	PAID
39	Windsor, Town of	Management/Operation Agency	Dennis Markham		PAID

Associates and Industries

40	NCWCD	Associate	Anna Hermes	Ester Vincent	PAID
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40 Representative Votes / 10 Representatives required for Quorum (25%)

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Attachment #2



ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

March 27, 2025, 2:00 PM

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER.**

Mr. Thomas called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM.

2. **NOTICE TO MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS RECORDED.**

Mr. Thomas notified the membership that the meeting was recorded.

3. **DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM FROM MEMBERSHIP.**

Attendance:

NFRWQPA – Mr. Thomas, Manager
Executive Committee Officers –
Chair – Brian Zick – Boxelder S.D.
Vice Chair – Tyler Eldridge – Greeley
Treasurer – Jesse Schlam – Ft. Collins
Officer – Randy Kenyon – S. Fort Collins S.D.
Officer – Chris Kampmann – St. Vrain S.D.
Officer – Savana Dumler – Berthoud

Executive Committee Officers Absent –
Officer – Matt Allen – Upper Thompson S.D.

Erik Burggraf – Metro Water Recovery
Joe Creaghe – Loveland
Josh Leyba – Platteville
Katie Sall – Weld County
Kelia Flores – Larimer County
Mary Paterniti – Longmont
Mike Flores – Wellington
Omar H – Windsor
Nathan Mead – Dacono
Robby Porsch – Evans
Stacy Brown – Kersey

Membership –
Dan Money – Windsor
Dennis Markham – Windsor
Doug Roth – Windsor
Ellen Hilbig – Johnstown
Eric Lucas – Windsor

Public –

Fernando Molina – JBS
Jimmy Sias – Fuzion Field Services

– Mr. Thomas announced a quorum.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA.**

Mr. Eldridge motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Markham. The motion carried unanimously.

5. **DISCLOSURE OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST.**

Mr. Markham recused himself from agenda item number 9.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

No public comments were stated.

7. **APPROVAL OF PAST MINUTES.**

Mr. Schlam motioned to approve the February 27, 2025, meeting minutes, seconded by Mrs. Dumler. The motion carried unanimously.

8. **FINANCIAL REPORTS.**

Mrs. Dumler moved to approve the February 2025 financial statements, seconded by Mr. Eldridge. The motion carried unanimously.

9. **DECISION ITEM:** Town of Windsor Utility Plan amendment & WUSA modification.

Mr. Thomas provided an overview of the Town of Windsor Utility Plan amendment & WUSA modification, and KC Young with JUB presented the project. The Utility Plan amendment proposes a new lift station and a modification to the Wastewater Utility Service Area (WUSA). The new lift station will serve an area within the Town's existing WUSA, which is situated near WCR 70 and HWY 257. The WUSA amendment includes approximately 156 acres that will be removed from Windsor's WUSA and transferred to the Town of Severance, while approximately 115 acres will be added to Windsor's WUSA, being transferred from the City of Greeley. Mr. Thomas informed the membership that all referral agencies recommended approval of the project, with the City of Greeley objecting due to the fact that the capacity of Windsor's treatment facility has already reached 95%, the threshold at which the facility should be under construction. Mr. Thomas informed the membership that Windsor has already begun planning for the facility expansion and is working on the next utility plan amendment with the Association. Mr. Markham also stated that Windsor's facility expansion is currently at 30% design. The City of Greeley is concerned about additional flows to the Windsor treatment facility, which is already at 95% capacity, that could degrade the Cache la Poudre water quality given that fact that state approval can take 3-4 years for facility expansion. Mr. Markham disclosed that the Town of Severance is bringing its treatment facility back online as early as next week (March 31, 2025), which could reduce Windsor's treatment capacity to around 80%. The discussion also included ensuring that all parties had the appropriate intergovernmental agreements (IGAs).

Mr. Creaghe moved to conditionally approve the Town of Windsor Utility Plan amendment & WUSA modification on the condition that Windsor submits an amended Utility Plan addressing population and flow projections to increase facility capacity, seconded by Mr. Schlam. The motion carried with the City of Greeley voting nay.

10. **DISCUSSION ITEM:** 2025 - 208 Plan Update Survey for Sewer User Rates & PIFs.

Mr. Thomas discussed the 2025 - 208 Plan survey results for Sewer User Rates & PIFs.

11. **DISCUSSION ITEM:** [208 Areawide Water Quality Management Plan \(208 AWQMP\)](#).

Mr. Thomas discussed the recommendations, actions, or goals for the 2025-208 AWQMP update from March's [208 AWQMP General DMOA Recommendations and Actions](#) survey sent out to the membership in the first part of March.

12. **DISCUSSION ITEM:** Workgroup Update Presentations.

Workgroup updates were not presented.

13. **ADJOURN**

Attachment #3

NORTH FRONT RANGE WATER QUALITY PLANNING ASSOCIATION

Balance Sheet

As of April 30, 2025

Cash Basis

<u>Account</u>	<u>Apr 30, 2025</u>	<u>Mar 31, 2025</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>
Assets			
Current Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents			
1100 - Checking NFRWQPA	42,434.83	60,526.54	(18,091.71)
1250 - Colorado Trust NFRWQPA	630,438.85	560,742.44	69,696.41
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	672,873.68	621,268.98	51,604.70
1500 - Security Deposit	1,353.00	1,353.00	0.00
Total Current Assets	674,226.68	622,621.98	51,604.70
Total Assets	674,226.68	622,621.98	51,604.70
Liabilities and Equity			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
2406 - Accrued Vacation Payable	1,592.31	1,592.31	0.00
2300 - Pension Payable	844.41	844.41	0.00
2407 - PERA Payable	2,535.13	2,535.14	(0.01)
2050 - Mark's CC x5076	230.63	1,322.35	(1,091.72)
Total Current Liabilities	5,202.48	6,294.21	(1,091.73)
Total Liabilities	5,202.48	6,294.21	(1,091.73)
Equity			
2810 - Assets Beginning of Year	572,240.82	572,240.82	0.00
Current Year Earnings	200,558.23	147,861.80	52,696.43
3900 - Retained Earnings	(103,774.85)	(103,774.85)	0.00
Total Equity	669,024.20	616,327.77	52,696.43
Total Liabilities and Equity	674,226.68	622,621.98	51,604.70

No assurance is provided on these financial statements.
The financial statements do not include a statement of cash flows.
Substantially all disclosures required by GAAP omitted.

NORTH FRONT RANGE WATER QUALITY PLANNING ASSOCIATION
 Statements of Revenue and Expenses - Budget vs Actual
 For the one month ended April 30, 2025
 Cash Basis

Account	Apr 2025	Jan-April 2025	Budget	% of Budget
Income				
9010 - Membership Dues	0.00	178,158.75	174,851.00	101.89%
9020 - Interest Income	2,191.13	7,895.97	10,000.00	78.96%
9030 - CDPH & E	0.00	0.00	26,700.00	0.00%
9040 - 319 Grants NPS Watershed Plan	67,505.28	80,005.28	25,000.00	320.02%
9990 - Miscellaneous	0.00	20,000.00	0.00	0.00%
Total Income	69,696.41	286,060.00	236,551.00	120.93%
Expenses				
3100 - Salary	10,647.75	42,591.00	127,773.00	33.33%
3102 - Dental Insurance	112.00	448.00	1,500.00	29.87%
3103 - Vision Insurance	21.25	85.00	300.00	28.33%
3200 - Health Insurance	2,063.50	8,254.00	25,000.00	33.02%
3300 - Retirement Contributions	319.43	1,277.72	4,500.00	28.39%
3400 - FICA/PERA Manager	1,731.32	6,925.28	25,000.00	27.70%
3600 - Workman's Compensation	0.00	292.00	550.00	53.09%
5010 - Rent & Utilities	1,566.00	6,264.00	20,000.00	31.32%
5100 - Telephone Cellular	75.00	300.00	900.00	33.33%
5120 - Interest	0.00	0.00	10.00	0.00%
5130 - Internet Service	188.23	752.86	3,000.00	25.10%
5140 - IT Support	0.00	2,637.53	5,000.00	52.75%
5150 - Advertising	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00%
5160 - Insurance	0.00	0.00	750.00	0.00%
5300 - Office Supplies	0.00	264.39	2,500.00	10.58%
5350 - Postage	0.00	73.00	150.00	48.67%
5400 - Dues & Subscriptions	0.00	991.00	5,000.00	19.82%
5425 - Intergovernmental Assist	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00%
5450 - Training	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00%
5500 - Mileage Reimbursement	0.00	137.34	1,000.00	13.73%
5510 - Meals & Lodging	0.00	46.42	2,500.00	1.86%
5520 - Transportation	15.50	15.50	1,000.00	1.55%
5550 - Conferences	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00%
5600 - Accounting	260.00	1,040.00	4,500.00	23.11%
5650 - Auditing	0.00	0.00	7,500.00	0.00%
5700 - Legal	0.00	3,000.00	15,000.00	20.00%
5750 - Bank Charges	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.00%
5800 - Capital Recovery	0.00	0.00	750.00	0.00%
5850 - Capital Expenditures	0.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00%
5900 - Contingency Website	0.00	648.00	0.00	0.00%
6010 - Contract Services/GIS	0.00	9,458.75	25,000.00	37.84%
6011 - Contract Services Office	0.00	0.00	2,500.00	0.00%
6025 - Operations Contingency w/Board	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	0.00%
6040 - SUSPENSE	0.00	(0.02)	0.00	0.00%
Total Expenses	16,999.98	85,501.77	320,733.00	26.66%
Net Revenues and Expenses	52,696.43	200,558.23	(84,182.00)	-238.24%

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 Substantially all disclosures required by GAAP omitted.

Attachment #4

**First Regular Session
Seventy-fifth General Assembly
STATE OF COLORADO**

REREVISED

*This Version Includes All Amendments
Adopted in the Second House*

LLS NO. 25-1052.01 Richard Sweetman x4333

SENATE BILL 25-305

SENATE SPONSORSHIP

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HOUSE SPONSORSHIP

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Senate Committees
Appropriations

House Committees
Appropriations

HOUSE
3rd Reading Unamended
May 1, 2025

A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE PROCESS BY WHICH THE DIVISION OF**
102 **ADMINISTRATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND**
103 **ENVIRONMENT ISSUES PERMITS RELATING TO WATER QUALITY,**
104 **AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AND REDUCING AN**
105 **APPROPRIATION.**

HOUSE
2nd Reading Unamended
April 30, 2025

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov/>.)

SENATE
3rd Reading Unamended
April 28, 2025

Joint Budget Committee. Current law requires the division of administration (division) within the department of public health and

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing law.
Dashes through the words or numbers indicate deletions from existing law.

SENATE
Amended 2nd Reading
April 25, 2025

environment to report annually to the water quality control commission (commission) and to include in the report any regulatory or legislative recommendations the division may have. The bill requires the report to also include:

- Information on the division's timing in considering and issuing water quality permits (permits); and
- For the report submitted in 2026, a detailed discussion of how the division has prioritized reducing the permit backlog, implemented recommendations from water quality permittees (permittee) for permitting efficiency, and increased safe drinking water program inspections.

The bill requires the division, upon receipt of an application to modify a permit, to limit its review and its approval or denial of the application to the scope of the specific requests contained in the application.

The bill requires the commission to adopt rules on or before December 31, 2026, that establish procedures whereby the division, prior to giving public notice of a complete permit application for an individual permit and the division's preliminary analysis of the application, may provide a period of public notice and review of a preliminary draft prepared by the division. If a period of public notice and review is required by rules of the commission, the period of public notice and review may not exceed 14 days, and the purpose of the review is limited to identifying errors in the division's preliminary draft.

On or before December 31, 2027, the division must propose rules to the commission that establish a time frame during which the division will either grant or deny applications for each type of permitting action. On or before June 30, 2028, the commission must adopt rules based on the division's proposal. The rules must establish the time frames for permitting actions.

The bill requires the division to consider current debt service on existing local government water infrastructure when developing schedules of compliance for new effluent limits in local government permits. Any schedule of compliance for new effluent limits in local government permits must, consistent with state and federal law, consider the local government's financial capability to repay existing debt on water infrastructure or to fund water infrastructure upgrades before requiring new water infrastructure upgrades. To the extent allowable under federal law, the division may issue compliance schedules in a local government permit for a new effluent limit in excess of 20 years.

The bill states that, on and after May 1, 2026, after an application for permit modification or permit renewal has been pending before the division for 60 days, or for any application for permit modification or permit renewal that is pending before the division as of May 1, 2026, or if the division informs an applicant that the division will not process an

application for preliminary effluent limitations, the applicant and the division may mutually agree to use a qualified and independent nongovernmental contractor (contractor) under the direction of the division to provide the division with technical assistance in completing the permit action. The division shall maintain a list of at least 3 qualified nongovernmental contractors for this purpose.

An applicant shall bear the contractor's costs for any technical assistance provided by the contractor and shall pay the contractor for such costs. The division may charge an applicant an additional fee in an amount not exceeding 10% of the contract amount for contract administration, technical review, and additional permit processing, which fee is credited to the clean water cash fund. The division may, before issuing its final permit action, require the applicant to fully pay this fee and any contractor costs. The division shall provide oversight to ensure that contractors provide technical assistance in accordance with the terms of their contracts.

The bill requires the division, upon a permittee's request, to make available to the permittee all documents, data, and information the division relied upon in developing the permittee's permit modification or permit renewal, except to the extent that such materials are protected by an applicable privilege or exception.

The bill makes the following transfers of money:

- On July 1, 2025, \$111,000 from the water quality improvement fund to the drinking water cash fund;
- On July 1, 2025, \$3,518,564 from the perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances cash fund to the clean water cash fund;
- On July 1, 2026, \$3,002,435 from the perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances cash fund to the clean water cash fund; and
- On July 1, 2026, \$516,129 dollars from the perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances cash fund to the drinking water cash fund.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-8-305, **amend**
3 (2)(f) and (4)(b); and **add** (2)(h) and (4)(c) as follows:

4 **25-8-305. Annual report - repeal.** (2) The annual report
5 described in subsection (1) of this section must include information on the
6 division's:

1 (f) Ratio of general fund appropriations to cash fund
2 appropriations that were authorized for the state fiscal year immediately
3 preceding the date of the report; and

4 (h) TIMING IN CONSIDERING AND ISSUING PERMITS, INCLUDING THE
5 NUMBER OF YEARS ADMINISTRATIVELY CONTINUED PERMITS HAVE BEEN
6 PENDING, CATEGORIZED BY YEARS PENDING, AND A NARRATIVE
7 DESCRIPTION OF THE DIVISION'S PLAN FOR PROCESSING ADMINISTRATIVELY
8 CONTINUED PERMITS THAT HAVE BEEN ADMINISTRATIVELY CONTINUED
9 FOR LONGER THAN FIVE YEARS.

10 (4) (b) ~~This subsection (4) is repealed, effective July 1, 2026~~ THE
11 REPORT THAT THE DIVISION SUBMITS IN 2026 MUST INCLUDE A DETAILED
12 DISCUSSION OF HOW THE DIVISION HAS PRIORITIZED REDUCING THE WATER
13 QUALITY PERMIT BACKLOG, IMPLEMENTED RECOMMENDATIONS FROM
14 PERMITTEES FOR PERMITTING EFFICIENCY, AND INCREASED THE NUMBER
15 OF SAFE DRINKING WATER PROGRAM INSPECTIONS.

16 (c) THIS SUBSECTION (4) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2027.

17 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-8-501, **amend** (2)
18 as follows:

19 **25-8-501. Permits required for discharge of pollutants -**
20 **administration.** (2) (a) The division shall examine applications for and
21 may issue, suspend, revoke, modify, deny, and otherwise administer
22 permits for the discharge of pollutants into state waters and for the use
23 and disposal of biosolids. ~~Such~~ THE administration shall be in accordance
24 with ~~the provisions of this article~~ ARTICLE 8 and ~~regulations promulgated~~
25 RULES ADOPTED by the commission. Until modified pursuant to this
26 ~~article~~ ARTICLE 8, final permits shall be governed by their existing
27 limitations.

1 (b) UPON RECEIPT OF AN APPLICATION TO MODIFY A PERMIT, THE
2 DIVISION SHALL LIMIT ITS REVIEW AND, AS APPROPRIATE, ITS APPROVAL OR
3 DENIAL OF THE APPLICATION, TO THE SCOPE OF THE SPECIFIC REQUESTS
4 CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION.

5 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-8-502, **add** (3)(d)
6 and (7) as follows:

7 **25-8-502. Application - definitions - fees - funds created -**
8 **public participation - rules - repeal.** (3) (d) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER
9 31, 2026, THE COMMISSION SHALL ADOPT RULES ESTABLISHING
10 PROCEDURES WHEREBY THE DIVISION, PRIOR TO GIVING PUBLIC NOTICE OF
11 A COMPLETE PERMIT APPLICATION FOR AN INDIVIDUAL PERMIT AND THE
12 DIVISION'S PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF THE APPLICATION PURSUANT TO
13 SUBSECTION (3)(b) OF THIS SECTION, MAY PROVIDE A PERIOD OF PUBLIC
14 NOTICE AND REVIEW OF A PRELIMINARY DRAFT PREPARED BY THE
15 DIVISION. IF A PERIOD OF PUBLIC NOTICE AND REVIEW IS REQUIRED BY
16 RULES OF THE COMMISSION, THE PERIOD OF PUBLIC NOTICE AND REVIEW
17 MAY NOT EXCEED FOURTEEN DAYS, AND THE PURPOSE OF THE REVIEW IS
18 LIMITED TO IDENTIFYING ERRORS IN THE DIVISION'S PRELIMINARY DRAFT.
19 THE DIVISION SHALL MAKE AVAILABLE ON THE DIVISION'S PUBLIC WEBSITE
20 ANY DOCUMENTS PROVIDED BY THE DIVISION DURING A PERIOD OF PUBLIC
21 NOTICE AND REVIEW.

22 (7) (a) ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 31, 2027, THE DIVISION SHALL
23 PROPOSE RULES TO THE COMMISSION THAT ESTABLISH A TIME FRAME
24 DURING WHICH THE DIVISION WILL EITHER GRANT OR DENY APPLICATIONS
25 FOR EACH TYPE OF PERMITTING ACTION. ON OR BEFORE JUNE 30, 2028,
26 THE COMMISSION SHALL ADOPT RULES BASED ON THE DIVISION'S
27 PROPOSAL. THE RULES MUST ESTABLISH THE TIME FRAMES FOR

1 PERMITTING ACTIONS, INCLUDING:

2 (I) THE ISSUANCE OF NEW INDIVIDUAL PERMITS AND NEW GENERAL
3 PERMITS;

4 (II) THE RENEWAL OF GENERAL PERMITS AND INDIVIDUAL PERMITS;

5 (III) THE GRANTING OR DENYING OF REQUESTS FOR PERMIT
6 MODIFICATIONS; AND

7 (IV) THE DETERMINATION OF PRELIMINARY EFFLUENT
8 LIMITATIONS.

9 (b) (I) THE DIVISION SHALL BEGIN THE PROCESS TO CREATE A
10 PROPOSAL OF TIME FRAMES FOR PERMITTING ACTIONS FOR THE PURPOSES
11 OF SUBSECTION (7)(a) OF THIS SECTION ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2025.

12 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (7)(b) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026.

13 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-8-503, **add** (10)
14 as follows:

15 **25-8-503. Permits - when required and when prohibited -**
16 **variances - definition.** (10) (a) THE DIVISION SHALL CONSIDER CURRENT
17 DEBT SERVICE ON EXISTING LOCAL GOVERNMENT WATER INFRASTRUCTURE
18 WHEN DEVELOPING SCHEDULES OF COMPLIANCE FOR NEW EFFLUENT LIMITS
19 IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERMITS.

20 (b) ANY SCHEDULE OF COMPLIANCE THAT THE DIVISION DEVELOPS
21 FOR NEW EFFLUENT LIMITS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERMITS MUST,
22 CONSISTENT WITH STATE AND FEDERAL LAW, CONSIDER THE LOCAL
23 GOVERNMENT'S FINANCIAL CAPABILITY TO REPAY EXISTING DEBT ON
24 WATER INFRASTRUCTURE OR TO FUND WATER INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES
25 BEFORE REQUIRING NEW WATER INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES. TO THE
26 EXTENT ALLOWABLE UNDER FEDERAL LAW, THE DIVISION MAY ESTABLISH
27 COMPLIANCE SCHEDULES IN A LOCAL GOVERNMENT PERMIT FOR A NEW

1 EFFLUENT LIMIT IN EXCESS OF TWENTY YEARS.

2 (c) AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION (10), "WATER INFRASTRUCTURE"
3 INCLUDES WASTEWATER TREATMENT INFRASTRUCTURE, DRINKING WATER
4 TREATMENT INFRASTRUCTURE, AND RAW WATER INFRASTRUCTURE.

5 **SECTION 5.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add 25-8-503.7** as
6 follows:

7 **25-8-503.7. Use of qualified and independent contractors -**
8 **powers and duties of the division - fees - definitions.** (1) ON AND
9 AFTER MAY 1, 2026, AN APPLICANT AND THE DIVISION MAY MUTUALLY
10 AGREE TO USE A QUALIFIED AND INDEPENDENT NONGOVERNMENTAL
11 CONTRACTOR UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE DIVISION TO PROVIDE THE
12 DIVISION WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN COMPLETING THE PERMIT
13 ACTION IF:

14 (a) AN APPLICATION FOR PERMIT MODIFICATION OR PERMIT
15 RENEWAL HAS BEEN PENDING BEFORE THE DIVISION FOR SIXTY DAYS;

16 (b) AN APPLICATION FOR PERMIT MODIFICATION OR PERMIT
17 RENEWAL IS PENDING BEFORE THE DIVISION AS OF MAY 1, 2026; OR

18 (c) THE DIVISION INFORMS AN APPLICANT THAT THE DIVISION WILL
19 NOT PROCESS AN APPLICATION FOR PRELIMINARY EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS.

20 (2) A CONTRACTOR THAT PROVIDES TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
21 PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION MAY ASSIST THE DIVISION WITH SOME OR ALL
22 OF THE FOLLOWING, AT THE DIVISION'S DISCRETION:

23 (a) PREPARING THE DIVISION'S PROPOSED PERMIT ACTION;

24 (b) PREPARING THE DIVISION'S RESPONSES TO PUBLIC COMMENTS
25 RECEIVED ON THE PROPOSED PERMIT ACTION, IF ANY;

26 (c) PREPARING THE DIVISION'S FINAL PERMIT ACTION;

27 (d) AIDING IN THE DIVISION'S DEFENSE OF THE FINAL PERMIT

1 ACTION IN ANY ADMINISTRATIVE ADJUDICATORY PROCEEDINGS; AND

2 (e) AIDING IN THE DIVISION'S DEFENSE OF THE FINAL PERMIT
3 ACTION IN ANY JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

4 (3) THE APPLICANT SHALL BEAR THE CONTRACTOR'S COSTS FOR
5 ANY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION AND
6 SHALL REMIT PAYMENT FOR THE COSTS DIRECTLY TO THE CONTRACTOR.
7 THE DIVISION MAY CHARGE THE APPLICANT AN ADDITIONAL FEE IN AN
8 AMOUNT NOT EXCEEDING TEN PERCENT OF THE CONTRACT AMOUNT FOR
9 CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION, TECHNICAL REVIEW, AND ADDITIONAL
10 PERMIT PROCESSING. MONEY COLLECTED AS AN ADDITIONAL FEE SHALL
11 BE CREDITED TO THE CLEAN WATER CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION
12 25-8-210. THE DIVISION MAY, BEFORE ISSUING ITS FINAL PERMIT ACTION,
13 REQUIRE THE APPLICANT TO FULLY PAY THE ADDITIONAL FEE AND ANY
14 CONTRACTOR COSTS.

15 (4) (a) THE DIVISION, IN ITS SOLE DISCRETION, SHALL PROVIDE
16 OVERSIGHT TO ENSURE THAT CONTRACTORS PROVIDE TECHNICAL
17 ASSISTANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THEIR CONTRACTS. THE
18 DIVISION MAY REQUIRE A CONTRACTOR'S TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO
19 CONFORM TO ALL COMMISSION RULES, DIVISION POLICIES, AND DIVISION
20 PRACTICES APPLICABLE TO THE PERMIT ACTION IN QUESTION.

21 (b) THE DIVISION MAY DEEM SOME OR ALL OF THE CONTRACTOR'S
22 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AS UNACCEPTABLE AND MAY REJECT, REQUIRE
23 CORRECTION OF, OR DENY APPROVAL FOR SUCH ASSISTANCE. THE
24 DIVISION'S REJECTION, REQUIRED CORRECTION, OR DENIAL OF APPROVAL
25 OF A CONTRACTOR'S TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IS NOT SUBJECT TO JUDICIAL
26 OR ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW AND DOES NOT RELIEVE AN APPLICANT OF
27 THE OBLIGATION TO PAY THE CONTRACTOR'S COSTS FOR SUCH TECHNICAL

1 ASSISTANCE.

2 (c) THE DIVISION'S USE OF CONTRACTORS PURSUANT TO THIS
3 SECTION DOES NOT RELIEVE THE DIVISION OF ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER THIS
4 ARTICLE 8.

5 (d) THE DIVISION IS NOT SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE
6 "PROCUREMENT CODE", ARTICLES 101 TO 112 OF TITLE 24, IN SELECTING
7 OR CONTRACTING WITH THE CONTRACTORS.

8 (5) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE
9 REQUIRES:

10 (a) "CONFLICT OF INTEREST" MEANS A DIRECT AND SUBSTANTIAL
11 PERSONAL OR FINANCIAL INTEREST IN THE OUTCOME OF A PERMIT OR
12 PERMIT ACTION SUCH THAT A CONTRACTOR IS UNABLE TO FULFILL ITS
13 DUTY TO REMAIN FAIR, IMPARTIAL, OR OBJECTIVE.

14 (b) "INDEPENDENT" MEANS HAVING NO CONFLICT OF INTEREST
15 WITH A PERMITTEE.

16 (c) "QUALIFIED" MEANS HAVING SUBSTANTIAL PROFESSIONAL
17 EDUCATION, TRAINING, OR EXPERIENCE IN WATER QUALITY PERMITTING.

18 **SECTION 6.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-8-210, **add**
19 (4)(a)(I.2) as follows:

20 **25-8-210. Fees established administratively - rules -**
21 **shareholding requirement - phase-in period - clean water cash fund**
22 **- creation - repeal.** (4) (a) The clean water cash fund is created in the
23 state treasury. The fund consists of:

24 (I.2) FEES COLLECTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-8-503.7 (3);

25 **SECTION 7.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **add** 25-8-503.8 as
26 follows:

27 **25-8-503.8. Documents, information, and data utilized in**

1 **developing permits.** UPON A PERMITTEE'S REQUEST, THE DIVISION SHALL
2 MAKE AVAILABLE TO THE PERMITTEE ALL DOCUMENTS, DATA, AND
3 INFORMATION THE DIVISION RELIED UPON IN DEVELOPING THE PERMITTEE'S
4 PERMIT MODIFICATION OR PERMIT, INCLUDING ANY MODEL, TOOL, OR
5 TABULAR WORKSHEET AND ANY FORMULAS, MACROS, METADATA, AND
6 CALCULATIONS CONTAINED IN SUCH MATERIALS, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT
7 THAT THE DOCUMENTS, DATA, AND INFORMATION ARE PROTECTED BY AN
8 APPLICABLE PRIVILEGE, SUCH AS THE ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE OR THE
9 DELIBERATIVE-PROCESS PRIVILEGE, OR ARE SUBJECT TO AN EXCEPTION
10 FROM DISCLOSURE SET FORTH IN SECTION 24-72-204.

11 **SECTION 8.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25-8-608, **amend**
12 (1.8) as follows:

13 **25-8-608. Civil penalties - rules - fund created - temporary**
14 **moratorium on penalties for minor violations - definitions - repeal.**

15 (1.8) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of subsection (1.5) or (1.7) of
16 this section to the contrary, on ~~April 20, 2009~~ JULY 1, 2025, the state
17 treasurer shall ~~deduct seven hundred thousand dollars~~ TRANSFER ONE
18 HUNDRED ELEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS from the water quality
19 improvement fund ~~and transfer such sum~~ to the ~~general fund~~ DRINKING
20 WATER CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION 25-1.5-209 (2).

21 (b) THIS SUBSECTION (1.8) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1,
22 2026.

23 **SECTION 9.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 8-20-206.5, **add**
24 (7)(d) as follows:

25 **8-20-206.5. Environmental response surcharge - liquefied**
26 **petroleum gas and natural gas inspection fund - perfluoroalkyl and**
27 **polyfluoroalkyl substances cash fund - hazardous materials**

1 **infrastructure cash fund - fuels impact reduction grant program -**
2 **definitions - repeal. (7) (d) (I) NOTWITHSTANDING SUBSECTION (7)(c)**

3 OF THIS SECTION, THE STATE TREASURER SHALL TRANSFER THE
4 FOLLOWING AMOUNTS FROM THE FUND ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

5 (A) ON JULY 1, 2025, THREE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTEEN
6 THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR DOLLARS TO THE CLEAN WATER
7 CASH FUND CREATED IN SECTION 25-8-210;

8 (B) ON JULY 1, 2026, THREE MILLION TWO THOUSAND FOUR
9 HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE DOLLARS TO THE CLEAN WATER CASH FUND
10 CREATED IN SECTION 25-8-210; AND

11 (C) ON JULY 1, 2026, FIVE HUNDRED SIXTEEN THOUSAND ONE
12 HUNDRED TWENTY-NINE DOLLARS TO THE DRINKING WATER CASH FUND
13 CREATED IN SECTION 25-1.5-209 (2).

14 (II) THIS SUBSECTION (7)(d) IS REPEALED, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2028.

15 **SECTION 10. Appropriation. (1) For the 2025-26 state fiscal**
16 **year, \$2,904,599 is appropriated to the department of public health and**
17 **environment. This appropriation consists of \$446,315 from the drinking**
18 **water cash fund created in section 25-1.5-209 (2)(a), C.R.S., and**
19 **\$2,458,284 from the clean water cash fund created in section 25-8-210**
20 **(4)(a), C.R.S. To implement this act, the department may use this**
21 **appropriation as follows:**

22 (a) \$2,035,705, from the clean water cash fund for clean water
23 program costs which amount is based on an assumption that the
24 department will require an additional 18.0 FTE;

25 (b) \$385,345 from the drinking water cash fund for use by the
26 drinking water program for personal services, which amount is based on
27 an assumption that the department will require an additional 4.0 FTE;

1 (c) \$322,938, which consists of \$60,970 from the drinking water
2 cash fund and \$261,968 from the clean water cash fund for use by the
3 water quality control division for indirect cost assessments; and

4 (d) \$160,611 from the clean water cash fund for the purchase of
5 legal services.

6 (2) For the 2025-26 state fiscal year, \$160,611 is appropriated to
7 the department of law. This appropriation is from reappropriated funds
8 received from the department of public health and environment under
9 subsection (1)(d) of this section and is based on an assumption that the
10 department of law will require an additional 0.7 FTE. To implement this
11 act, the department of law may use this appropriation to provide legal
12 services for the department of public health and environment.

13 **SECTION 11. Appropriation - adjustments to 2025 long bill.**

14 (1) To implement this act, appropriations made in the annual general
15 appropriation act for the 2025-26 state fiscal year to the department of
16 public health and environment for use by the administration and support
17 division are adjusted as follows:

18 (a) The general fund appropriation for health, life, and dental is
19 decreased by \$171,630;

20 (b) The appropriation for health, life, and dental is increased by
21 \$171,630 which consists of \$31,205 from the drinking water cash fund
22 created in section 25-1.5-209 (2)(a), C.R.S., and \$140,425 from the clean
23 water cash fund created in section 25-8-210 (4)(a), C.R.S.

24 (c) The general fund appropriation for short-term disability is
25 decreased by \$2,140;

26 (d) The appropriation for short-term disability is increased by
27 \$2,140, which consists of \$389 from the drinking water cash fund created

1 in section 25-1.5-209 (2)(a), C.R.S., and \$1,751 from the clean water cash
2 fund created in section 25-8-210 (4)(a), C.R.S.

3 (e) The general fund appropriation for unfunded liability
4 amortization equalization disbursement payments is decreased by
5 \$140,238; and

6 (f) The appropriation for unfunded liability amortization
7 equalization disbursement payments is increased by \$140,238, which
8 consists of \$25,498 from the drinking water cash fund created in section
9 25-1.5-209 (2)(a), C.R.S., and \$114,740 from the clean water cash fund
10 created in section 25-8-210 (4)(a), C.R.S.

11 **SECTION 12. Safety clause.** The general assembly finds,
12 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
13 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety or for appropriations for
14 the support and maintenance of the departments of the state and state
15 institutions.

Attachment #5

Chapter 7 NFRWQPA 202~~24~~⁴² - 208 AWQMP RECOMMENDATIONS OR ACTIONS

The Association organized its recommendations for the 202~~24~~⁴²-208 AWQMP into sections regarding general actions for DMOAs or the entire membership, specific actions for identified DMOAs, and actions for the Association itself. DMOAs will adopt, strengthen, and enforce land-use regulations designed to address water quality impacts of land use developments, including adopting and implementing local comprehensive plans, nonpoint water quality protection standards, WUSA development standards, and consolidation standards. The process is to draw upon existing and projected water quality assessments at the watershed level to identify priority point, nonpoint and stormwater quality problems. The 208 AWQMP recommends appropriate measures and solutions, including the system of treatment works or facilities, management agencies, financial, institutional measures and management strategies, necessary for the implementation of recommended solutions. Recommendations in the 208 AWQMP are consistent with the objectives and goals of the federal Clean Water Act, Colorado Water Quality Control Act and regional watershed programs. The objective of the federal Clean Water Act ...is to restore and maintain the chemical, physical and biological integrity of the nation's waters. Based on this federal objective and consistent with the State Water Quality Control Act, the goal for the region is to restore and maintain the chemical and physical integrity ~~in order~~ to assure a balanced ecological community in waters associated with the region. Stakeholders within the region have a wide variety of interpretations ~~of~~ on the meaning of restoring and maintaining the chemical and physical integrity, and a balanced ecological community. As a result, meeting the regional goal to the satisfaction of all stakeholders (DMOAs) is probably not achievable by the planning horizon. However, the quality of the region's water bodies, and surrounding land uses will be preserved and enhanced through the implementation of strategies recommended in this 208 AWQMP. Solving regional wastewater collection and treatment ~~regional problems through watershed management will result in better long-term solutions, more cost-effective solutions, and involves all of the area~~ problems through watershed management will result in better long-term and more cost-effective solutions and involve all of the area's regional DMOAs.

- ~~• Adopt watershed protection regulations to protect the area located upstream of drinking water intake point(s) for municipal water supply pursuant to C.R.S. § 31-15-7070(1)(b), commonly referred to as watershed protection regulations.~~
 - ~~• Within the Land Use Code of the County or Municipality Adopt watershed protection regulations found within this 208 Plan.~~
 - ~~• Require compliance with this 208 Plan when issuing water and/or land development project permits.~~
 - ~~• Construct a Nonpoint Source Watershed Plan for Region 2 and each watershed basin.~~
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- ~~Further investigate and evaluate the status of water quality within Region 2 related to the assessments within this 208 AWQMP.~~
- ~~Assess all Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) segments within Region 2.~~

7.1 208 AWQMP General DMOA Recommendations or Actions

The Association recommends the following general actions for DMOAs in the ~~2022~~ 208 AWQMP.

1) ~~The Association has written a Regional EPA 9-Element Nonpoint Source Watershed-Based Plan for all four main watersheds: the South Platte, Cache la Poudre, St. Vrain Creek, and Big & Little Thompson and an regional plan summarizing Region 2's recommended control measures or best management practices. All the watershed-based plans may be viewed here: <https://www.nfrwqpa.org/region-2-nonpoint-source-watershed-based-plans>.~~

i. ~~DMOAs are encouraged to construct or implement the region's recommended control measures or best management practices, which are found within the watershed-based plans.~~

~~2)3) DMOAs should update, amend, or include water quality protections within their local comprehensive plans or land use code - Section 7.3.~~

i. ~~Local comprehensive plans that promote regional 208 planning efforts that consider future population projections and urban growth ~~considering optimizing sewer collection systems and treatment facilities, optimizing sewer collection systems and treatment facilities, and~~ examining consolidation to protect, maintain, or restore regional point and nonpoint source water quality.~~

~~3)3) DMOAs should update, amend, or adopt construction nonpoint water quality protections standards in their municipal code or land use code - Section 7.4.~~

- i. ~~DMOAs that adopt construction nonpoint water quality protection standards will protect, maintain, and restore nonpoint source water pollution identified by CLEAN assessments related to MS4s.~~
- ii. ~~Effective and balanced stormwater and nonpoint source management can best be achieved through local DMOA processes.~~

~~3)4) DMOAs should adopt WUSA development standards - Section 7.5.~~

- i. ~~Adopting WUSA development standards would protect point source water quality by promoting the collaboration and coordination of sewer services in Region 2.~~
- ii. ~~Effective, optimized, and affordable wastewater collection and treatment will be identified through a regional process, with local DMOA implementation and strategies.~~

~~4)5) DMOAs should adopt consolidation standards within their municipal code or land use code - Section 7.6.~~

- i. ~~Adopting consolidation standards would protect point source water quality by promoting the collaboration and coordination of treatment facilities to examine economies of scale in Region 2.~~

~~5)6) It is a recommendation that DMOAs with established and approved WUSAs coordinate and collaborate with smaller minor systems inside their WUSAs and pursue opportunities and partnerships to optimize existing DMOA collection systems and regional treatment facilities. For example:~~

DMOA	Minor System
Wellington, City of	Harvest Farm, Denver Rescue Mission
Fort Collins, City of	Davies Mobile Home Park
Fort Lupton, City of	New Vision Mobile Home Park
Eire, City of	B and B Mobile Home Park
Loveland, City of	Best Western Coach House

7) DMOAs that do not update or adopt any of the above recommendations can provide a statement within their local comprehensive plans, municipal code, or land-use code concerning water quality protection standards, WUSA development standards, and consolidation standards all shall be consistent with the local 208 Areawide Water Quality Management Plan.

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7.2 208 AWQMP Specific DMOA Recommendations or Actions

The Association recommends the following specific actions for DMOAs in the 2022 208 AWQMP. Consolidation of wastewater treatment facilities is encouraged, where appropriate. Wastewater utility planning can identify opportunities for facility consolidation. Often, larger wastewater treatment facilities can provide service more effectively while providing a higher degree of treatment than can be achieved through smaller treatment facilities. Consolidation of facilities can eliminate smaller treatment facilities which may not be financially capable of operating properly and may be exceeding their discharge permits. The decision for facility consolidation is determined in the utility planning process and is based on economies of scale, economics, cost effectiveness, maintenance, operations, effluent water quality, water quality impacts, physical constraints and water rights.

- 1) The Association recommends **that** the Town of Johnstown and the Town of Milliken continue to examine the consolidation of their sewer collection systems and treatment facilities. Optimizing wastewater collection and treatment alternatives that are economically feasible based on cost and long-term user rate studies considering economies of scale and beneficial water quality. Including examining the assimilative capacity of the Little Thompson and Big Thompson Rivers regarding future water quality concerning population and loading projections.
 - 2) The Association recommends the Town of Mead and St. Vrain Sanitation District continue to examine the consolidation of their sewer collection systems and treatment facilities. Considering the Town of Mead Lake Thomas WWTF could merge with the St. Vrain Sanitation District given its flagpole location within the St. Vrain Sanitation District WUSA separate from Mead's WUSA. Optimizing wastewater collection and treatment alternatives that are economically feasible based on cost and long-term user rate studies considering economies of scale and beneficial water quality.
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- 3) The Association recommends the City of Fort Lupton continue to examine the consolidation of its sewer collection systems and treatment facilities with Metro Water Recovery or the St. Vrain Sanitation District. Optimizing wastewater collection and treatment alternatives that are economically feasible based on cost and long-term user rate studies considering economies of scale and beneficial water quality.
 - 4) The Association recommends the Town of Estes Park, Estes Park Sanitation District, and Upper Thompson Sanitation District continues to examine the consolidation of their sewer collection systems and treatment facilities. Optimizing wastewater collection and treatment alternatives that are economically feasible based on cost and long-term user rate studies considering economies of scale and beneficial water quality.
 - 5) The Association recommends that the Town of Hudson, Keenesburg, and Resource Colorado Water and Sanitation Metro District continue to examine the consolidation of their sewer collection systems and treatment facilities. Optimizing wastewater collection and treatment alternatives that are economically feasible based on cost and long-term user rate studies considering economies of scale and beneficial water quality.
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7.3 208 AWQMP Association Recommendations and Actions

Membership recommends the following actions as responsibilities of the Association.

- 1) Construct an OWTS GIS platform with depth to groundwater to assess regional groundwater quality. Groundwater quality is considered in the development of long-range management plans. Those activities, which have the potential to adversely affect groundwater resources, need to be properly managed. Groundwater recharge zones must be protected from water quality degradation.
1)• [This project was completed and can be viewed on the Association's GIS webpage.](#)
- 2) Construct a GIS platform that illustrates all current OWTSs, DMOA sewer collection systems, treatment facilities, proposed DMOA sewer collection systems and treatment facilities, and proposed Association DMOA sewer collection systems and treatment facilities.
2)• [This project was completed in 2023 and is private for security reasons.](#)
- 3) Perform testing and analysis on the M&E stream segment listings within [Region 2](#) to assess current water quality. DMOAs are willing to spend funds on water quality data collection if this data is used in the state water quality characterization report (305(b)) and subsequent stream segment impairment listing (303(d)).
3)• [This project was completed and presented here within this report.](#)
- 4) Construct a Nonpoint Source Watershed [Based](#) Plan for Region 2 to prioritize and prepare DMOAs as permitted MS4s to aid in managing nonpoint source pollution in areas projected to experience growth.
4)• [This project was completed and presented here within this report.](#)

To foster actions of the Clean Water Plan, the EPA, and WQCD Policy 98-2 planning requirements, NFRWQPA developed the following priorities and corresponding measurable outcomes.

- 1) Measure how many DMOAs construct or amend their local comprehensive plan or land use code with a water quality section.
1)• [No action.](#)
 - 2) Measure how many DMOAs adopt or amend their local county or municipal codes or land use code with nonpoint source water quality protection standards.
2)• [No action.](#)
 - 3) Measure how many DMOAs adopt or amend their local county or municipal codes or land use code WUSA development standards.
3)• [No action.](#)
 - 4) Measure how many DMOAs submit consolidation examinations for inclusion into the 208 AWQMP.
4)• [No action.](#)
 - 5) Document the progress of the OWTS GIS platform and completion date.
5)• [Completed.](#)
 - 6) Document the progress of the sewer collection systems GIS platform illustrating all current OWTSs, sewer collection systems, all future sewer collection and treatment facilities, and completion date.
6)• [Completed.](#)
 - 7) Measure how many M&E stream segment listings the Association assesses for current water quality and is able to delist from the M&E listing.
7)• [Completed.](#)
 - 8) Document the progress of the Nonpoint Source Watershed [Based](#) plan for [Region 2](#).
8)• [Completed.](#)
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