



**South Platte River
Urban Waters Partnership**

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South Platte Coalition for Urban River Evaluation
1527 Cole Boulevard, Suite 300
Lakewood, CO 80401

Re: Letter of Support for the South Platte River - Urban Denver Needs Assessment

Dear South Platte Coalition for Urban River Evaluation,

I am writing this letter on behalf of the South Platte River Urban Waters Partnership to express our strong support for the South Platte Coalition for Urban River Evaluation (SP CURE) proposed project, *South Platte River – Urban Denver Needs Assessment*.

The South Platte River Urban Waters Partnership, also known as SPRUWP, is a part of the Federal Urban Waters Partnership. We are a collaboration of organizations, working across governmental and disciplinary boundaries. Our aim is to protect and restore lands and waters in the South Platte River watershed. The partnership emphasizes stewardship and community connection, linking urban areas with forested watersheds and people with nature. SP CURE's efforts to enhance watershed resiliency by conducting monitoring activities to identify critical watershed needs align with our shared objectives.

Conducting the *South Platte River – Urban Denver Needs Assessment* will provide data and information crucial to inform a collaborative approach to addressing issues in the Upper South Platte River Basin. SPRUWP is highly supportive of the proposed project and recognize that it will significantly increase data and collaboration for an informed approach to resiliency for all sectors in the watershed. Our support for this project highlights its potential to benefit not only SPRUWP but also other entities in the Upper South Platte River Basin who rely on this shared resource for drinking water, agricultural irrigation, recreation, and environmental uses.

We hope that our endorsement can be supportive in your efforts to secure grant funding to advance this project. Should the funding agency wish to discuss our interest and support, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

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