

Colorado Basin Roundtable Priorities (Draft – not yet final)

Projects must address the values encompassed by the Colorado Basin Priorities including, but not limited to:

- ❖ Water Supply
 - Meet current and future water needs with structural and/or non-structural methods
 - Address impacts of Compact deliveries on existing and future in-basin water rights
 - Address conflicts between endangered species' needs and in-basin needs
- ❖ Benefits
 - Multiple parties
 - Multiple objectives
- ❖ Water Rights
 - Protects Pre-1922 water rights
 - Promotes Compact compliance
 - No injury to other water users
- ❖ Education
 - Seeks involvement of all interested parties and stakeholders
- ❖ Municipal and Industrial Efficiency (supports the development of)
- ❖ Non-Consumptive
 - Improves/provides water-based recreation opportunities
 - Supports in-stream and riparian environmental and habitat needs
- ❖ Agricultural Benefits
 - Maintains commercial, irrigated agricultural
 - Secures food supply
 - Water conservation or efficiencies that do not threaten or undermine existing water rights holdings
- ❖ Water Quality
- ❖ Economic
 - Supports a diverse and sustainable Western Slope economy
 - Favorable cost: benefit ratio