

AGENDA

Denver Board of Water Commissioners

Denver Water Administration Building
1600 West 12th Avenue
Denver, CO
Board Room, First Floor

Wednesday, January 22, 2020 9:00 a.m.

I. INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS

A. Call to Order and Determination of Quorum

B. Public Comment and Communications

At this point in the agenda, the Board may allow members of the public to address the Board on any item of interest within the jurisdiction of the board, and not on the agenda for action. Speakers wishing to address a specific Action Item will be invited to address the board when the item is being considered. Three minutes are allowed for each person unless the President determines otherwise.

1. Distributor Communications
2. Citizen Advisory Committee Communications

C. Ceremonies, Awards and Introductions

D. Legislative Update

Chris Piper

5 minutes

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Consent Items

Items listed below are considered routine and may be enacted by one motion and vote. If any Board member desires discussion beyond explanatory questions, or corrections to the Minutes, the President may order that item to be considered in a separate motion and vote.

1. Second Amendment for Cabling Services – Contract 503724
2. Cooperative Stream Gauging Program with the U.S. Geological Survey – Contract 504275
3. Summit County Recycle Transfer Station – Contract 504281

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B. Individual Approval Items

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| 1. NTP Update | Peter McCormick | 20 minutes |
| a. Contracts for Northwater Treatment Plant – Contracts 504059 (GMP 4C), 504227 (GMP 5A) and 504228 (GMP 5B) | | |
| 2. Adoption of a Resolution Regarding the Board’s Lead Service Line Reimbursement Policy | Jim Lochhead | 5 minutes |

III. POLICY MATTERS

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| A. OCR Update | Jeremy Ross | 10 minutes |
| B. Drought and Water Shortage Response | Jason Finehout | 10 minutes |

IV. EXECUTIVE UPDATE

- A. CEO Update**
- B. CFO Update**
- C. Operations Update**

V. BRIEFING PAPERS & REPORTS

A. Briefing Papers

- 1. Update to Chapter 15 of the Denver Water Operating Rules
- 2. Briefing Paper for Legislative Update

B. Reports

VI. ADJOURNMENT

VII. TRUSTEE MATTERS

I. ACTION ITEMS

A. Action Item as Trustee

1. Minutes from November 20, 2019

B. Action Item as Plan Sponsor

Kris Bates

10 minutes

1. Amendment No. Seven to Denver Water's Supplemental Retirement Plan (401(k) Plan)

II. TRUSTEE EXECUTIVE SESSION

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board may adjourn the regular meeting and reconvene in executive session on topics authorized by D.R.M.C. Sec. 2-34

A. Confidential Report D.R.M.C. Sec. 2-34

DENVER BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: January 22, 2020

Board Item: II-A-1

Second Amendment for Cabling Services Contract 503724

Action by Consent

Individual Action

Purpose and Background:

Denver Water entered into Contract 503724 with National Networks Services on March 1, 2019 to provide materials and labor for network cabling projects. Several large projects in 2019 exhausted the allocated funds and additional funds are needed for the remainder of the contract term. This amendment adds \$250,000 which should provide sufficient funding for the remainder of the contract term.

Budget and Schedule:

The proposed amendment brings the total amount of this contract to \$534,000. The contract term remains unchanged, March 1, 2019 to July 31, 2021. Funds for this contract will come from the 2020 approved budget of the Information Technology Network Services business unit, which has sufficient funds to pay the estimated cost needed in 2020. The remaining funds will be budgeted in the year 2021.

Selection of Business Partner:

Denver Water issued a request for proposal to the public on the Rocky Mountain E-Purchasing System and Denver Water's website. Denver Water received nine proposals, five were from Small Business Enterprises and two were from Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprises. National Networks Services was selected based on experience, price, service level, network and cabling program and demonstrated understanding of the work.

S/MWBE Information:

Small/Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise goals are not applicable for this contract, although National Networks Service is an SBE.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board approve the Second Amendment to Contract 503724 for an addition of \$250,000 for a total amended contract amount not to exceed \$534,000.

Approvals:

- James S. Lochhead, CEO/Manager
- Julie Anderson, Chief of Staff
- Jessica R. Brody, General Counsel
- Angela C. Bricmont, Chief Financial Officer

- Brian D. Good, Chief Administrative Officer
- Mike King, Chief External Affairs Officer
- Robert J. Mahoney, Chief Engineering Officer
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DENVER BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: January 22, 2020

Board Item: II-A-2

Cooperative Stream Gauging Program with the U.S. Geological Survey Contract 504275

Action by Consent

Individual Action

Purpose and Background:

U.S. Geological Survey stream gauges are vital to the daily operation of facilities within Denver Water's collection system, maintaining diligence on conditional water rights and long-term water supply planning. The Board and USGS have cooperated on stream gauging program since 1958. Under contract 504275, the USGS will operate and maintain the attached list of 30 stream gauging stations in 2020.

Other water users will reimburse to the Board for a portion of the cost of operation and maintenance of stream gauging sites relevant to their operations.

Budget and Schedule:

The total amount of this contract is \$303,722 and the term of the contract is January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020. Funds for Contract 504275 will come from the 2020 budget for Raw Water Supply, which has sufficient funds.

At a minimum \$52,606 of funds will be reimbursed by other water users, reducing the net cost to the Board to \$251,116.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board approve Contract 504275 with the U.S. Geological Survey for operation and maintenance of 30 gauging stations for the contract period January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

Approvals:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Julie Anderson, Chief of Staff | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike King, Chief External Affairs Officer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jessica R. Brody, General Counsel | <input type="checkbox"/> Robert J. Mahoney, Chief Engineering Officer |
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DENVER BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

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Board Item: II-A-3

Summit County Recycle Transfer Station Contract 504281

Action by Consent

Individual Action

Purpose and Background:

The voters of Summit County approved Initiative 1A in November 2018. Initiative 1A sets goals for increased recycling within Summit County with regards to waste and recycling. The goal of the initiative is to divert 40% of all the waste in Summit County to recycling plants instead of the county landfill.

Summit County has requested to utilize approximately 0.512 acres for a recycle transfer station below Dillon Dam near the Blue River Ball Fields. Denver Water would like to support Summit County's efforts to be more sustainable by allowing the station to be located on Denver Water property.

Denver Water staff worked with Summit County to develop an inter-governmental agreement for the operation of the transfer station and a license agreement to cover the installation of the infrastructure associated with the transfer station. Both instruments include the standard legal language to protect Denver Water's property rights and limit Denver Water's liability.

While there is no lease payment for use of the property, Summit County has agreed to plow and maintain the road to Denver Water's hydropower facilities at the base of Dillon Dam.

Budget and Schedule:

There is no budgetary impact for this item.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board approve Contract 504281 with Summit County to locate a county recycle transfer station on Denver Water property. The contract period is ten years, beginning February 1, 2020 and expiring January 31, 2029.

Approvals:

- James S. Lochhead, CEO/Manager
- Julie Anderson, Chief of Staff
- Jessica R. Brody, General Counsel
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DENVER BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: January 22, 2020

Board Item: II-B-1-a

Contracts for Northwater Treatment Plant Contracts 504059 (GMP 4C), 504227 (GMP 5A), and 504228 (GMP 5B)

Action by Consent

Individual Action

Purpose and Background:

The purpose of this board item is to present three contracts for construction of Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Work Packages (WP) under the construction services agreement with Kiewit Infrastructure Co. (Contract 503388) in support of advancing the Northwater Treatment Plant (NTP) project through construction. The purpose of these contracts is as follows:

- Contract 504059 (GMP 4C) – Eleventh amendment to the Construction Services Agreement with Kiewit Infrastructure Co. (Agreement 503388) is needed to execute the Yard Pipe, Structures Concrete, Excavation, Site Backfill – All Remaining WP, also known as GMP 4C. GMP 4C includes multiple bid packages that comprise the remaining site excavation, structural backfill, and site backfill to finished grade; yard pipe connecting all buildings and processes; structural concrete for all structures excluding the filters and flocculation/sedimentation structures previously contracted under GMP 4B; and clearwell underslab pipe installation.
- Contract 504227 (GMP 5A) – Twelfth amendment to the Construction Services Agreement with Kiewit Infrastructure Co. (Agreement 503388) is needed to execute the Clearwells WP, also known as GMP 5A. GMP 5A includes construction of two 10 million-gallon clearwells and appurtenances. Interconnecting pipelines including underslab pipe will be constructed under GMP 4C. Electrical connections to the clearwells will be made under GMP 6.
- Contract 504228 (GMP 5B) – Thirteenth amendment to the Construction Services Agreement with Kiewit Infrastructure Co. (Agreement 503388) is needed to execute the Process Piping and Mechanical Equipment – Site Wide WP, also known as GMP 5B. GMP 5B includes procurement, installation, and vendor support services for all interior piping and process equipment throughout the NTP facilities.

Budget and Schedule:

- Contract 504059 (GMP 4C) – The GMP 4C baseline budget was \$99,698,863 including Owner contingency of \$5,000,000. The estimate at completion (EAC) based on scope shifts from other GMPs that have occurred since the budget was established is \$83,933,707. The cost of WP 4C is \$80,968,995.81 including Owner and Contractor contingencies and allowances, which is below the EAC. The NTP business unit for 2020 through 2023 includes sufficient funds for GMP 4C.
- Contract 504227 (GMP 5A) – The GMP 5A baseline budget was \$23,500,000 including Owner contingency of \$1,500,000. The EAC based on scope shifts from other GMPs that have occurred since the budget was established is \$22,625,780. The cost of WP 5A is \$20,616,713.87 including Owner and Contractor contingencies and allowances, which is below the EAC. The NTP business unit for 2021 through 2023 includes sufficient funds for GMP 5A.
- Contract 504228 (GMP 5B) – The GMP 5B baseline budget was \$31,546,467 including Owner contingency of \$1,500,000. The EAC based on scope shifts from other GMPs that have occurred since the budget was established is \$48,817,676. The cost of WP 5B is \$44,925,691.50 including Owner and Contractor contingencies and allowances, which is below the EAC. The NTP business unit for 2020 through 2022 includes sufficient funds for GMP 5B.

The project's estimated costs remain within the approved project budget.

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Contingencies and Allowances:

- Contract 504059 (GMP 4C) – As part of GMP 4C, Kiewit Infrastructure Co. is assuming risks related to dewatering, pipe bedding within bedrock, environmental compliance, winter work, weather event cleanup, wind and lightning delays, subcontractor performance and coordination, scope gaps, subcontractor pricing, safety, quality, concrete cracking, aggregate yield, on-site material processing, roadway restoration, cathodic protection repair, and sequencing impacts to pipe installation, which have been carried as Contractor contingency in the amount of \$2,949,700. Risks associated with increased temporary seeding of stockpiles, staff relocation, construction trailer expansion, maintenance of materials prior to startup, off-site disposal of excess spoils, protection of existing Conduit No. 22, and revision to the final for construction drawings have been carried as allowances in the amount of \$709,235.
- Contract 504227 (GMP 5A) – As part of GMP 5A, Kiewit Infrastructure Co. is assuming risks related to subcontractor performance and coordination, concrete cracking, environmental compliance, subgrade preparation, wind and lightning delays, weather event cleanup and safety, which have been carried as Contractor contingency in the amount of \$468,514. Risks associated with hydrotesting, temporary lighting, and potable water storage and supply have been carried as allowances in the amount of \$185,000.
- Contract 504228 (GMP 5B) – As part of GMP 5B, Kiewit Infrastructure Co. is assuming risks related to supplier performance, scope gaps, material delivery delays, welding labor shortages, material storage, and bidder default, which have been carried as Contractor contingency in the amount of \$585,610.55. Risks associated with supplier changes, treatment of testing water, factory test visits, staff relocations, supplemental vendor services, specialty pipe linings, construction trailer expansion, and revision to the final for construction drawings have been carried as allowances in the amount of \$784,228.

This results in a total Contractor contingency allocated to date of \$13,090,662.21, leaving \$14,909,337.79 of unallocated Contractor contingency out of an overall \$28,000,000 budget.

Consistent with Contract 503388, Denver Water assumes risks associated with differing site conditions, tariffs, permitting delays, and design changes, for which a \$4,000,000 allocation of Owner contingency is requested as part of GMP 4C; \$1,000,000 as part of GMP 5A; and \$1,500,000 as part of GMP 5B. This allocation results in \$6,063,400 remaining in the \$20,000,000 Owner contingency budget.

Selection of Business Partner:

Kiewit Infrastructure Co. was previously selected through a competitive selection process and contracted through Contract 503388 executed by the Board on September 26, 2018. The GMP 4C work was procured through a combination of negotiated self-perform and competitive bids, and will be completed by Esco, PCL Constructors, and Kiewit Infrastructure Co. The GMP 5A work was procured through a sole-source bid from Garney. The GMP 5B work is a negotiated self-perform WP and work will be completed by Kiewit Infrastructure Co.

S/MWBE Information:

The Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise (MWBE) participation goals for GMP 4C, 5A, and 5B were initially established at 7.3%, 6.6%, and 9.0%. Participation goals were updated to 5.9%, 4.9%, and 2.5%, respectively based on discussion at the January 8, 2020 Board Meeting. Based on the outcome of bids, MWBE participation for the three GMPs is expected to be on target with the revised participation goals at 5.9%, 4.9%, and 2.4%, respectively. NTP remains on track to meet the overall 8% goal for construction.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board approve the following:

- Contract 504059 with Kiewit Infrastructure Co. for GMP 4C for the contract period of January 22, 2020 to May 31, 2023, with a total not-to-exceed cost of \$80,968,995.81 including Owner contingency; and

- Contract 504227 with Kiewit Infrastructure Co. for GMP 5A for the contract period of January 22, 2020 to January 26, 2023, with a total not-to-exceed cost of \$20,616,713.87 including Owner contingency; and
- Contract 504228 with Kiewit Infrastructure Co. for GMP 5B for the contract period of January 22, 2020 to November 22, 2022, with a total not-to-exceed cost of \$44,925,691.50 including Owner contingency.

Approvals:

- James S. Lochhead, CEO/Manager
- Julie Anderson, Chief of Staff
- Jessica R. Brody, General Counsel
- Angela C. Bricmont, Chief Financial Officer

- Brian D. Good, Chief Administrative Officer
- Mike King, Chief External Affairs Officer
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DENVER BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: January 22, 2020

Board Item: II-B-2

Adoption of a Resolution Regarding the Board's Lead Service Line Reimbursement Policy

Action by Consent

Individual Action

Purpose and Background:

In September 2019, Denver Water applied to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for a variance from the Safe Drinking Water Act's corrosion control treatment requirements. Under the variance, Denver Water sought approval to implement a comprehensive Lead Reduction Program (LRP) in place of orthophosphate treatment. EPA approved Denver Water's application on December 16, 2019, concluding that Denver Water's LRP "provides a holistic and permanent lead reduction approach that is as effective at protecting public health, more efficient in reducing exposure to lead in drinking water, less harmful to the environment, more equitable in its public health benefits and more cost effective, as compared to orthophosphate treatment."

As part of the LRP, Denver Water will be implementing an accelerated lead service line replacement program to replace all lead service lines (LSLs) within Denver Water's service area at no out-of-pocket cost to customers other than through rates. Under the LRP, Denver Water will be replacing LSLs pursuant to a carefully planned schedule (Scheduled LSL Replacements) developed each year that will take into account a variety of factors including socio-economic data, lead concentrations, and other pertinent information.

In addition to Scheduled LSL Replacements, it is anticipated that customers and developers will perform "unscheduled LSL replacements" on a voluntary basis or to comply with Denver Water Operating Rules. To incent customers to voluntarily replace their LSLs, and provide equitable treatment for developers and customers replacing LSLs at their own cost, the Resolution regarding the Board's policy for LSL replacement adopts a policy authorizing the reimbursement of customers at 50% of the average cost to replace LSLs (approx. \$7,600) under the Denver Urban Renewal Authority loan program. The Resolution directs Denver Water staff to pilot this policy during 2020, and at the end of 2020, provide an assessment to the Board whether adjustments should be made to further incent customers, make recommendations as to whether affordability considerations should be incorporated, and whether other modifications to this pilot are needed.

This Resolution directs Denver Water staff to create a waitlist should the demand for reimbursement for unscheduled LSL replacements exceed budgeted funds, and limits eligibility to those customers who are not scheduled to have their LSLs replaced under the LRP in the near future and are not in an area that is subject to a street paving moratorium for recently paved streets. An exception to these restrictions applies for homeowners and developers who are required to replace an LSL under Denver Water Operating Rules.

This Resolution also limits reimbursement for unscheduled LSL replacements to those replacements being made after EPA's issuance of the variance in recognition that LSLs replaced prior to the variance do not qualify as an alternative treatment technique under the variance or the current Lead and Copper Rule.

Budget and Schedule:

Funds for this Resolution were not included in the 2020 budget based on the uncertainty of EPA approval of Denver Water's variance request. It is anticipated that the budget required for 2020 will be \$2,200,000. It is anticipated that a variance to the overall 2020 budget that includes the entire LRP program will be required.

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Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board adopt the Resolution Regarding the Board's Lead Service Line Reimbursement Policy.

Approvals:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Julie Anderson, Chief of Staff | <input type="checkbox"/> Mike King, Chief External Affairs Officer |
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DENVER BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: January 22, 2020

Board Item: V-A-1

Briefing Paper for Update to Chapter 15 of the Denver Water Operating Rules

Strategic Plan Alignment

Lenses: Customer Centric Industry Leader Long-Term View

Water shortages are a challenge now and in the future. This briefing paper describes proposed updates to Chapter 15 manage demand during water shortages, whether caused by drought, system failures, system emergencies, or other factors. This update incorporates lessons learned from past water shortages and provides the Board with the flexibility to tailor restrictions to the level needed. Increased flexibility helps maintain the health, safety, and economic vitality of our current customers, as well as future generations. It also maintains the support and trust of our customers and the public.

Summary

Denver Water staff updated Chapter 15 to better express the Board's flexibility in adopting water shortage responses. The main items that were updated are:

1. Chapter 15 clearly states that it applies to various forms of water shortage. Accordingly, most references to "drought" are replaced with the term "drought/water shortage."
2. Various water shortage indicators that are considered by the Board in adopting a response were identified.
3. The Board's authority to respond to projected water shortages was expressly identified.
4. The Drought Watch response was clearly and more fully described.
5. The Board's authority to respond progressively to an ongoing water shortage or worsening water shortage was clarified. For example, current rules only allow for an adoption of a two-day per week watering schedule. The updates now define other responses including a one-day per week watering schedule.
6. Watering restrictions and exemptions in each water shortage response were reorganized for clarity.
7. The flexibility of staff to consider various factors (e.g., water budgets, source water, public use of an irrigated area, frequency of irrigated area use) when applying restrictions or granting exemptions was clarified.
8. The compliance period related to enforcement of violations was clearly defined.

Background

Chapter 15 of Denver Water's Operating Rules historically addressed the drought restrictions available to the Board. The original Chapter 15, and past updates, were written during times of drought induced water shortages (e.g., 2003). Since 2013, additional drivers for drought and water shortages have been identified, including evolving climate issues and potential Colorado River curtailment. These drivers have necessitated a broader view of drought and water shortage.

Approach

The Water Shortage Preparedness Committee identified portions of Chapter 15 to update and clarify considering past and anticipated future Board water shortage

responses. The attached Chapter 15 revisions of the Operating Rules have been approved by the Water Shortage Preparedness Committee.

Note: If the Board approves some/all of these recommended changes, corresponding changes will be made to the Denver Water Drought/ Water Shortage Plan.

Owner(s) Jason Finehout – External Affairs

Attachments Proposed, redlined version of Chapter 15 of the Denver Water Operating Rules
Proposed, clean version of Chapter 15 of the Denver Water Operating Rules
Water Shortage Preparedness Committee Organizational Chart

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Finehout, Community Relations Sr.
Specialist

Mike King, Chief External Affairs Officer

DENVER BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Meeting Date: January 22, 2020

Board Item: V-A-2

Briefing Paper for Legislative Update

Strategic Plan Alignment

Lenses: Customer Centric Industry Leader Long-Term View
Denver Water's Strategic Plan calls for an organization with satisfied and supportive customers and strategically effective relationships to enhance our trusted reputation. Part of that effort is fostering strong relationships with community leaders as well as government officials at local, regional, state and national levels. Our work at the Colorado Legislature supports our role as a thought leader and allows us to impact policy and regulatory matters that affect the organization.

Summary

In the lead-up to the first day of the legislative session on January 8, the government relations team implemented process improvements for reviewing bills and identified expected legislation for the 2020 session, which we have summarized below.

Background

Process Improvements: Following the 2019 legislative session, the government relations team surveyed and held follow-up meetings with employees who frequently review bills to improve and streamline the legislative review process. Based on feedback and suggestions, we have implemented three improvements:

- Established primary points of contact for bill review by subject matter.
- Created a standard email template with clear and consistent expectations.
- Planned a weekly status call with points of contact.

Expected Legislation: On Jan. 9, I prepared the attached report summarizing expected legislation for the 2020 Session that the state affairs team will likely follow. There will undoubtedly be other pieces of legislation that we are not aware of yet. Of the proposals in this report, the ones I believe are most likely to impact Denver Water are outlined below.

Study Strengthening Water Anti-Speculation Law: is an interim committee bill aimed to address a concern that out-of-state entities are coming in and buying up water rights for the purpose of capitalizing on a future water banking plan. It is not clear how this can be done but we will be watching this closely.

Basin of Origin Mitigation: It is rumored that Representative Donald Valdez is considering a basin of origin mitigation bill. The concept of basin of origin mitigation is that the economic, social and environmental costs of removing water from the west slope must be paid by the diverter of that water. In the past we have fought this concept vigorously.

Expansion of In-Stream Flow Loan Program: In 2019, HB19-1218 Loaned Water for Instream Flows to Improve Environment, sponsored by Representative Roberts, failed to pass. Proponents, The Nature Conservancy, plan to bring a similar version of this bill back.

Sports Betting Funds allocation in the State Water Plan: For the Love of Colorado is a coalition of water users that is working on ideas for state water plan funding. They are proposing a bill that would further define how revenues from sports betting could be spend that go toward the state water plan.

Modify Wildfire Risk Mitigation Grant Program: This interim committee bill extends this grant program to Sept. 1, 2029. It will reduce the self-finance of the mitigation program from 50% to 25% in areas with “fewer economic resources.” It adds “ongoing maintenance efforts” to the list of projects eligible for funding as well as fire protection districts and nonprofit organizations as eligible recipients for funding. Likely Recommendation: SUPPORT.

Assistance Landowner Wildfire Mitigation: This bill provides funding for capacity building and to purchase equipment and one Full Time Equivalent. The goal is to educate, incentivize and help landowners reduce fire risks on their property. Likely Recommendation: SUPPORT.

FAMLI: Last year’s paid family and medical leave bill was changed into a summer task force (FAMLI task force) to get an actuarial study completed on the proposed plan. The initial study shows the costs and utilization rates of the plan proposed last year are nearly double that estimated in the fiscal note. The FAMLI task force has ignored Governor Polis’ proposal for a phased in, market-based approach, instead voting to recommend a state-run program with minimal exemptions. I anticipate legislation will be introduced, but do not know what the proposal will look like and how closely it will mirror the recommendations of the task force. This will be a priority bill for the Denver Metro Chamber and the Colorado Competitive Council, and we will follow it through them.

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| Budget | N/A |
| Alternatives | N/A |
| Approach | N/A |
| Owner(s) | External Affairs |
| Attachments | 2020 Legislative Session – Expected Legislation |

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Piper, State Affairs Manager

Mike King, Division Chief