WSF 2018 Annual Report # 4151

Project: Lower Platte River Drought Contingency Plan

Subject: WSF 2018 Annual Report #4151

Date: Efforts for October 1, 2017 -

March 31, 2018

Project activities through March 31, 2018 have included project administration (including five Consortium meetings and one Consortium Workshop), coordination with individual NRDs and the DNR on instrumentation of the additional stream gages and ground water monitoring locations, and development of the conveyance tool and initial selection of drought mitigation actions at the Consortium Workshop. The vulnerability and risk assessments and monitoring and forecasting efforts have been the focus this spring and are a large part of the Drought Plan. These are the focus of the upcoming Consortium meetings and Workshops in April/May as we work toward the development of the Draft Plan for public review this summer.

On February 21, 2018, the NRC approved LPSNRD's request to modify Contract #4151 to split out administration costs by addition a Task 600 (\$40,000) and reducing Tasks 100-400 each by \$10,000. NeDNR legal counsel approved the amendment on 2/27/2018.

Table 1. Costs Incurred through 3/31/2018

Task	Costs Applied to WSF through March 31, 2018	Budget	Budget Remaining
100 – Data Collection	\$28,545.62	\$60,000.00	\$31,454.38
200 – Conveyance/Forecasting Tool	\$49,663.16	\$50,000.00	\$336.84
300 – Mitigation and Response Actions	\$18,115.32	\$20,000.00	\$1,884.68
400 – Develop Plan Document	\$4,758.42	\$25,000.00	\$20,241.58
500 – Public Outreach	\$1,026.44	\$25,000.00	\$23,973.56
600 – Project Administration	\$5,308.95	\$15,000.00	\$9,691.05
Total	\$107,417.92	\$195,000.00	\$87,582.08

Project activities for the upcoming year include drafting the Drought Contingency Plan including two Consortium Workshops and two Public Open houses to solicit stakeholder involvement. One workshop will focus on training in operating the forecasting/conveyance tool as the Consortium prepares to utilize the tool in implementation of the Plan moving forward. The Draft Plan is anticipated to be available for public comment by summer and the final Drought Plan is anticipated to be complete by August 2018 with the final project report anticipated fall 2018.

Table 2. Projected Cash Flow

	BOR	Consortium	WSF
10/1/2017 to 3/31/2018	\$115,360.26	\$71,611.94	\$107,417.92
4/1/2018 to 12/31/2018	\$84,639.74	\$84,388.06	\$87,582.08
Project Total	\$200,000	\$156,000	\$195,000

The Project is on task and on budget as specified in the Water Sustainability Fund Grant Application.