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Jonathon Chesser, Environmental Project Manager and Biologist
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RE: Adams County Project on CDOT Right-of-Way/ Programmatic SB-40 Certification

Dear Mr. Chesser:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Washington Street Water Quality Pond Project in Adams County. The proposed project includes the construction of a water quality pond on Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) right-of-way near Clear Creek in Adams County.

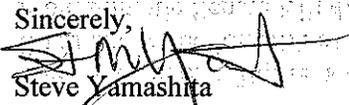
The Division of Wildlife acknowledges that the proposed project does not meet any of the ten application criteria listed under Section IIIA of the Guidelines for Senate Bill 40 Certification. Therefore, this project qualifies for a Programmatic Senate Bill 40 Certification.

Since the original Programmatic Senate Bill 40 guidelines were written, Colorado has discovered the presence of aquatic invasive species and ask that you observe the following best management practices to minimize the risk of spreading any of them. If heavy equipment to be used for the project has previously been used in another stream, river, lake, pond, or wetland, one of the following disinfection practices is necessary prior to construction to prevent the spread of New Zealand mud snails, zebra mussels, quagga mussels, whirling disease, and any other aquatic invasive species into this drainage. These practices are also necessary after project completion, prior to this equipment being used in another stream, river, lake, pond, or wetland:

- Remove all mud and debris from equipment (tracks, turrets, buckets, drags, teeth, etc.) and spray/soak equipment a 1:15 solution of Sparquat institutional cleaner and water. Keep equipment moist for at least 10 minutes **OR**
- Remove all mud and debris from equipment (tracks, turrets, buckets, drags, teeth, etc.) and spray/soak equipment with water greater than 140 degrees F for at least 10 minutes.
- Clean hand tools, boots, and any other equipment that will be used in the water with one of the above options as well.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this project. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact District Wildlife Manager Melanie Kaknes at (303) 291-7137.

Sincerely,


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