

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

March 31, 2017

The Honorable Cheryl A. LaFleur  
Acting Chairman  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street, NE  
Washington, DC 20426

Dear Acting Chairman LaFleur:

We write to convey our support for Denver Water's License Amendment Application for the Gross Reservoir Expansion Project.

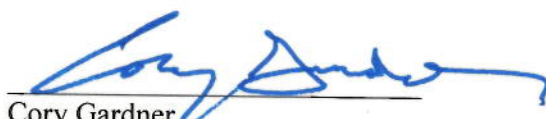
Gross Reservoir, as part of the broader Moffat Collection System, is a critical component of Colorado's water infrastructure. With Colorado being one of the fastest growing states in the country and the Denver metropolitan area home to some of the fastest growing cities, it is essential we are taking steps now to meet our state's water and energy needs. Expanding Gross Reservoir to allow for increased water storage will assist Denver Water in meeting the needs of millions of Coloradans dependent on the utility for their water.


Beyond additional water storage, this project will deliver greater certainty for all users of the system regarding the potential impacts of wildfire or drought by providing a resilient and reliable supply of water.


Denver Water began the federal regulatory process for the expansion of Gross Reservoir in 2003. Fourteen years later, we believe it is time for this project to begin and construction to get under way.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to your response.

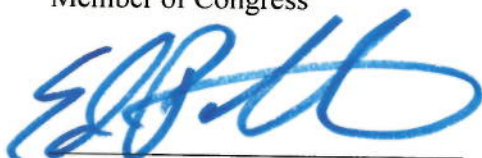
Sincerely,

  
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