



## AFTERMATH

Assessing the Watersheds and Launching Our Recovery

# CWCB Special Release of Colorado Watershed Restoration Program Grant

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# Colorado Watershed Restoration Program



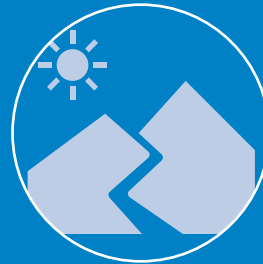
**COLORADO**

Colorado Water  
Conservation Board

Department of Natural Resources

- Applications due in fall of each year
- \$4 million allocated in FY20/21

## Grant Categories



Watershed /  
Stream  
Restoration  
and/or  
Protection



Flood  
Mitigation



Stream  
Management  
Plans



CWCB  
Monitoring  
Projects



# Special Release of Grant Program



**2020 Wildfire Season**



**\$4M in Spring 2021 (SB21-054)**



**\$30M June 2021 (SB240)**

# Northern Water/Grand County Proposal

- Submitted May 6, 2021
- Northern Water as fiscal agent
- Funding request: \$24,795,624

CWCB SPECIAL RELEASE OF THE COLORADO WATERSHED RESTORATION PROGRAM  
GRANT APPLICATION

## East Troublesome Fire Watershed Recovery

Submitted May 6, 2021 by:

Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District (Northern Water)  
Grand County Government (Grand County)

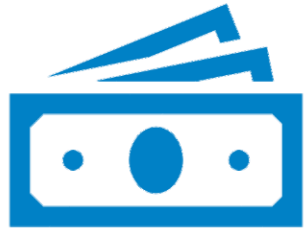


Grand County  
Colorado

# Proposed Tasks

Task	Description	Amount Requested	Cash Match	Funding Priority
<b>Objective 1: Successfully administer the East Troublesome Fire Recovery Program.</b>				
Task 1	Watershed Recovery Coordinator Position for East Troublesome Fire Area B and Williams Fork Fire (Grand County)	\$150,000		<b>1</b>
Task 2	NRCS EWP Program Implementation for Area A (Northern Water) and Area B (Grand County)	\$8,663,524	\$31,188,686	<b>2</b>
<b>Objective 2: Implement post-fire recovery practices in areas critical to watershed restoration.</b>				
Task 3	East Troublesome Fire Recovery Resource Center	\$150,000	\$250,000	<b>3</b>
Task 4	Assessment, Upgrades and Replacement of Road Crossing Infrastructure	\$350,000		<b>4</b>
Task 5	Monitoring and Landowner Support in Area B (Grand County)	\$50,000		<b>5</b>
Task 6	Scoping of Future Watershed Restoration Treatments	\$80,000		<b>6</b>
Task 7	Monitoring of efficacy of aerial mulching	\$100,000		<b>7</b>
Task 8	Additional EWP Program match for aerial mulching on federal lands	\$15,252,100		<b>8</b>
<b>TOTAL COSTS:</b>		<b>\$24,795,624</b>	<b>\$31,438,68</b>	

# Grant Awarded on June 3



**\$1.5 million**

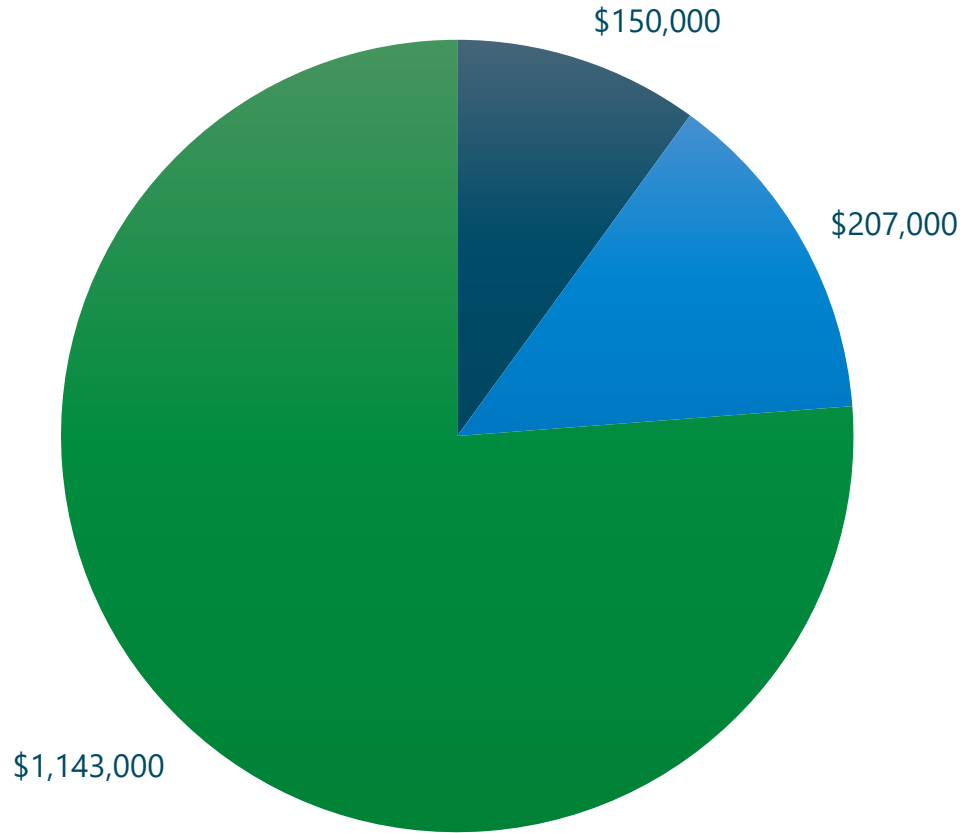


**Tasks 1 & 2**

Grand County Watershed Restoration  
Coordinator

EWP 25% Local Match

# CWCB Grant Award



- Task 1 (GC Watershed Recovery Coordinator)
- Task 2 (GC EWP 25% Match)
- Task 2 (NW EWP 25% Match)

## Task 2 (\$1.35 M): 25% EWP Sponsor Match

	Sponsor Match (CWCB Grant)	NRCS Match	Total
Area A (Northern Water)	\$1,143,000	\$3,428,999.90	\$4,571,999.90
Area B (Grand County)	\$207,000	\$620,999.90	\$827,999.90

**First allocation will fund \$5.4 million of EWP projects**

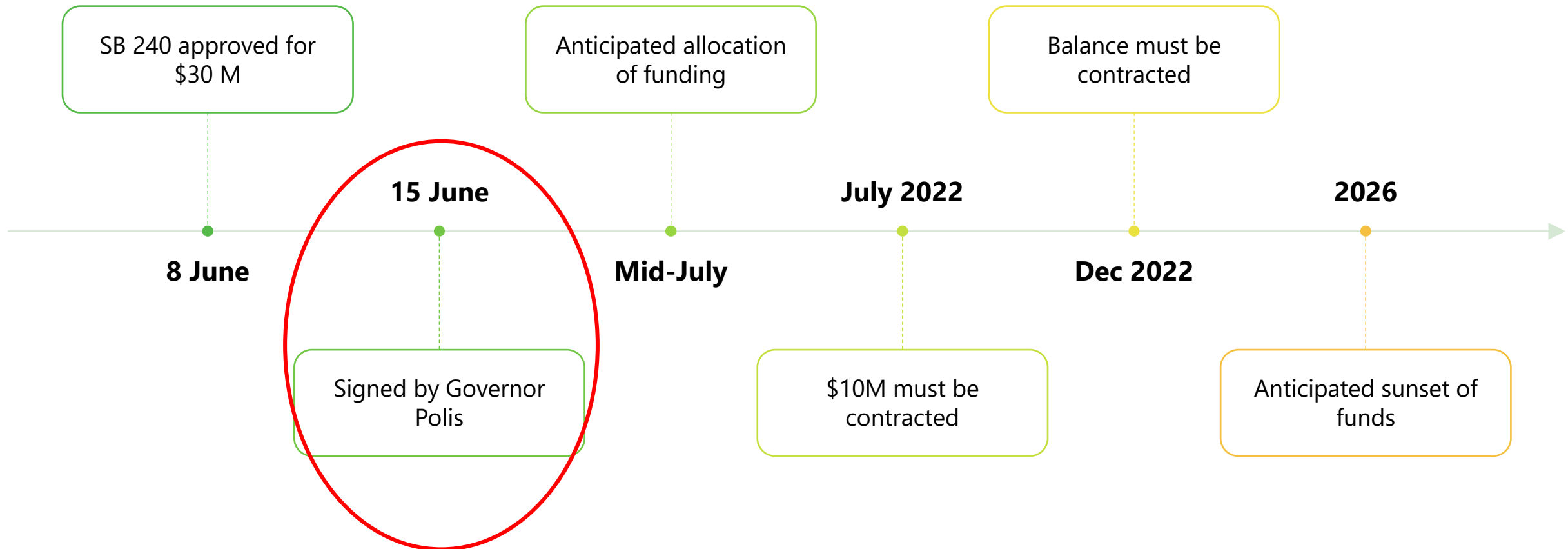
# Unmet Needs

- Total unfunded: \$23.3 M
- \$7.3M EWP match (Task 2)

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# Senate Bill 240





# Thank you!

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