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**Re: October 29, 2015 Meeting**

Dear Directors:

Attached is the agenda for the next meeting of the Yellow Jacket Water Conservancy District, scheduled for Thursday, October 29, 2015 as well as the meeting minutes from the June meeting. The meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. in the Rio Blanco County Commissioner’s Room.

Also included is a draft budget for 2016 for review and consideration. No action will be taken on the budget at this meeting. A hearing on the budget is scheduled for December 3, 2015 at 2:00. The budget proposes ongoing investigation of potential water storage sites for the District’s water rights, which engineering will be necessary to support a change of water rights application to be filed in the future.

Applegate Group is continuing its work on the reservoir analysis and hopes to have a final report for the Board at its December meeting. There is a meeting scheduled with Colorado Parks and Wildlife for November 16 to discuss possible enlargement to Lake Avery. Applegate has updated its mapping and determined that approximately 2,200 acre feet could be stored in an enlarged Avery without inundating the Livingston Property. This would require a raise of approximately 8.5 feet.

Mike Brennan has decided to not seek reappointment for his term expiring at the end of this month. The Board will need to appoint a new treasurer and assign tasks that Mike has historically assumed, including checking of the post office box.

Finally, the Town of Meeker is amending its Watershed Protection Ordinance that requires certain activities that occur within the Watershed District to obtain a permit from the Town of Meeker. The Watershed District protects the Town’s water supply from contamination. The Yellow Jacket District may wish to comment on the proposed ordinance.

Very truly yours,

By:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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