

**TOWN OF MINTURN, COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. 35 – SERIES 2024**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE 2024
EAGLE RIVER COMMUNITY WATER PLAN FOR THE
TOWN OF MINTURN, COLORADO**

WHEREAS, the Eagle River Community Water Plan (the “Plan”) is a long-range planning document that considers the past, present, and future ecosystems of the Eagle River watershed and identifies opportunities to correct historical degradation and prevent and mitigate against non-desirable future conditions; and

WHEREAS, The Plan was developed with a wide-range of stakeholder and community involvement and input between 2017 and 2022, engaged more than 400 community members over more than 1,615 hours and 59 meetings, and serves as a guidance document that provides insight into watershed-level values and priorities. Through the planning process, stakeholders outlined their objectives and identified strategies to create a foundation for the communities within the Eagle River watershed to mitigate potential future impacts on the values they hold associated with the waterways in the Eagle River watershed; and.

WHEREAS, the primary planning and modeled area of the Plan is the mainstem Eagle River below its confluence with Homestake Creek, and Gore Creek below its confluence with Black Gore Creek. A less-intensive evaluation and project identification effort was also carried out on Gypsum Creek and Brush Creek, and

WHEREAS, Eagle River is a resource that provides drinking water, recreational access, and economic vitality to more than 50,000 people, and contributes about 9% of the Colorado River’s flow at the Utah/Colorado border, and between 2.5-3% of the Colorado River’s total annual discharge; and

WHEREAS, the issues, needs, projects, and processes described in the Plan articulate the goals and objectives of the communities in the Eagle River watershed for collaboratively addressing the region’s water future. The Plan does not supersede or serve as a substitution for any local, state, or federal permitting processes or subvert any existing water rights. Any objective or action identified in the Plan should be considered within the existing legal and regulatory framework, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Minturn will use the Plan as a guide to develop future priorities, allocate resources, and work to secure a vibrant future for the Eagle River and its tributaries. This will be in conjunction with any relevant and adopted strategic plans and other formal organizational priorities

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF MINTURN, COLORADO THAT THE MINTURN HOUSING ACTION**

PLAN IS HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED.

INTRODUCED, READ, APPROVED, ADOPTED AND RESOLVED this 17th day of July, 2024.

TOWN OF MINTURN

By: _____
Earle Bidez, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jay Brunvand, Town Clerk