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To: Senate Agriculture, Natural Resources and Energy Committee,
House Agriculture, Livestock and Natural Resources Committee
From: Bob D. Broscheid, Director
Date: December 12, 2013
Re: Wildlife for Future Generations Trust Fund Report for Fiscal Year 2012-13

In accordance with Colorado Revised Statutes 33-1-112(7)(a), this report provides actual and planned expenditures from the Wildlife for Future Generations Trust Fund (WFGTF).

BACKGROUND:

In 2000, as a result of Senate Bill 00-230, the Division transferred \$5,000,000 from the Wildlife Cash Fund into the Wildlife for Future Generations Trust Fund. The transfer of funds provided the initial principal funding for the WFGTF. SB 00-230 directs that only interest earned can be expended from the trust fund, and that funding is limited to "such property operation and maintenance and other wildlife projects and programs as may from time to time be deemed appropriate by the [Parks and Wildlife] commission."

Separately, on June 19, 2001 the Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) Board approved Resolution 2001-14, which transferred an additional \$622,009 to the WFGTF principal account. On September 26, 2006, the GOCO Board approved the transfer of an additional \$394,317.90 in wildlife purpose funds into the WFGTF (Resolution 2006-21). Interest earned from the GOCO contributions is to be used solely for stewardship activities on Colorado Parks and Wildlife properties purchased with GOCO wildlife purpose funds.

FISCAL YEAR 2012-13 ANNUAL REPORT:

The following summarizes the amount of interest earned on the funds during FY 2012-13, the total amount of expenditures, and the year-end balance of the interest account.

Fiscal Year	Interest Earned	Expenditures	Year-end Balance
FY 2012-13	\$77,561.28	\$ 239,309.23	\$ 1,198,895.73

For FY 2012-13 the Division of Parks and Wildlife leveraged WFGTF funds with USFWS federal funds to finance a major effort to improve habitat conditions, which included a significant increase in weed control efforts, developing and/or improving public access, and installing needed fencing on 4 State Wildlife Areas. The \$239,309.23 in FY 2012-13 WFGTF expenditures were leveraged with Colorado Parks and Wildlife federal funds, resulting in nearly \$872,427 worth of improvements. During FY 2013-14, the Division plans to continue to improve habitat conditions throughout the state.

Total expenditures out of the fund, since its inception, amount to \$1,670,775.03.

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