



## MEMORANDUM

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**To:** La Plata West Water Authority Board

**From:** Bikis Water Consultants, LLC  
Eric A. Bikis, Project Manager

**Date:** March 16, 2011

**Re:** La Plata West Water Authority (LPWWA) Status Report

This report covers the period from February 16, 2011 through March 16, 2011. Recent tasks have included the following:

- **Funding:** USBR verified that LPWWA is eligible for funding for project studies under the Rural Water Program. LPWWA and USBR staff discussed options for preparing an appraisal study proposal for the project.
- **Lake Durango Water Authority:** Negotiations between LPWWA and Lake Durango Water Authority are ongoing; other stakeholders have contributed to the process as well. The goal of the meetings is to develop a basis for future collaboration between the entities. LPWWA has provided a letter of support for Lake Durango Water Authority's funding request to the Colorado Water Conservation Board. LPWWA finds that there are mutual benefits to Lake Durango's proposed project.
- **Board of Directors:** Kevin Mallow has been officially designated as an alternate LPWWA Board member on behalf of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. J.T. Coyne has joined the LPWWA Board to replace Jenny Burbey as the ALPWCD representative.

**cc:** Bud Smith, Esq.  
Charlie Smith, Manager: Lake Durango Water Authority  
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Scott McElroy: SUIT  
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