

Resolution 2025-1
OF THE
UPPER ARKANSAS RIVER WATERSHED GROUP

Whereas, the upper Arkansas River watershed serves as a source of water for a diverse array of stakeholders, including municipalities, irrigators, feedlots, dairies, power plants, domestic users, and the environment; and

Whereas, tamarisk is an invasive species in the region and impairs streamflows; and

Whereas, tamarisk removal has been identified as a project that will address issues of concern in the Watershed Restoration Plan; and

Whereas, the Bureau of Reclamation's WaterSMART Environmental Water Resources Projects program provides funding for restoration and nature-based solution projects; and

Whereas, The Kansas Infrastructure Hub provides cost-share for Federal grant agreements funded under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law; and

Whereas, the proposed project will begin in October 2025 and last for five years.

Now Therefore, be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the Upper Arkansas River Watershed Group to provide \$6,030 in in-kind funding and participate as a partner for the project titled "Tamarisk Removal along the Arkansas River Channel from John Martin Reservoir to Wichita" that will be submitted to the Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Grants program.

Adopted this 18th day of February, 2025.

ATTEST:



Fred Jones, President