FIRST AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION BY THE REPUBLICAN RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION APPROVING OPERATION AND ACCOUNTING FOR THE COLORADO COMPACT COMPLIANCE PIPELINE AND COLORADO'S COMPLIANCE EFFORTS IN THE SOUTH FORK REPUBLICAN RIVER BASIN

RECITALS

Whereas, August 24, 2016, the Republican River Compact Administration adopted a resolution approving operation and accounting for the Colorado Compact Compliance Pipeline and Colorado's compliance efforts in the South Fork Republican River Basin ("Resolution");

Whereas, paragraph C.1 of the Resolution reads: "Utilizing the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program or other voluntary programs, Colorado agrees to retire up to an additional 25,000 acres from irrigation in the South Fork Republican River basin. Of that amount, Colorado will retire at least 10,000 acres by 2022 and will retire the remaining 15,000 acres by December 31, 2027";

Whereas, the State of Colorado, with the help of Kansas, and Nebraska (collectively the "States"), has spent two years negotiating the terms of a Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program with the United States Department of Agriculture Commodity Credit Corporation, finalizing such terms on August 28, 2018; and

Whereas, the States acknowledge uncertainty exists about future funding of the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program because the United States has failed to enact a replacement for the 2014 Farm Bill;

Now, therefore, in consideration of the negotiations recently completed by Colorado, the RRCA extends by two years the deadlines contained in paragraph C.1.

The second sentence of Paragraph C.1, as amended, shall now read:

"Of that amount, Colorado will retire at least 10,000 acres by 2024 and will retire the remaining 15,000 acres by December 31, 2029."

Section C shall further be amended to include Paragraph C.3:

"In the event that the United States fails to enact a new farm bill prior to December 31, 2019, the States agree to review the deadlines contained in this section with the purpose of determining whether any further extensions are necessary."

This amendment does not alter any other terms of the Resolution.

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Colorado Commissioner

Date

Chairman, RRCA

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