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**CLEAN WATER ACT RE-AUTHORIZATION**

**WHEREAS:** The Clean Water Act has been due for re-authorization by Congress for several years, and

**WHEREAS:** Congressional inaction on this important issue has done nothing to resolve the growing conflicts over enforcement of the Act, especially of Section 404, and

**WHEREAS:** Recent regulatory interpretations have begun to classify as wetlands areas which are wet only a short time (15 days) each year, or wetlands which were man-made (sometimes the very people who made the wetlands are being punished for actions affecting those areas), and

**WHEREAS:** The Western Slope has been significantly affected by the designation of wetlands under Section 404, resulting in serious economic impacts,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT** that CLUB-20 supports re-authorization of the Clean Water Act with modifications to redefine wetlands under Section 404, to more closely reflect the original Congressional intent of protecting navigable waterways, and to strengthen the economic impact assessment of wetlands protection.

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