### CASTLE ROCK WATER

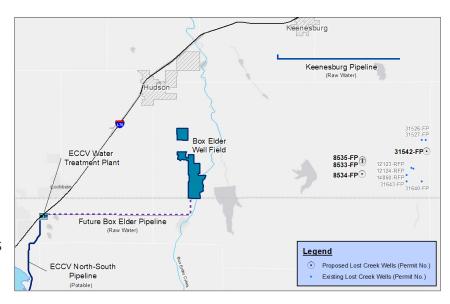
# RESOLUTION: PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR LOST CREEK WATER RIGHTS

**FEBRUARY 4, 2020** 



## LOST CREEK WATER RIGHTS **BACKGROUND**

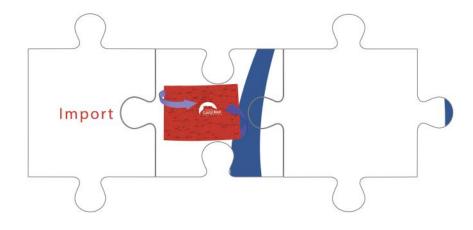
- Option agreement on Box Elder Creek Well Field in April 2014
- Lost Creek water rights
  - Currently own 1035.8 acre-feet (AF) in Lost Creek
  - Augmentation water for Box Elder well field
  - Could convey directly to Town
  - 455.7 AF annually between 4 additional wells
  - Contingent on concurrent sale of Keenesburg Pipeline capacity



Location Map

## LOST CREEK WATER RIGHTS

- Gets us to 90% of our renewable augmentation water for Box Elder project
- Water already changed
- Could directly pump water for treatment/use
- Three years of water banking in aquifer
- Reliable water source
- Could lease water in short term



## LOST CREEK WATER RIGHTS

#### Costs

- \$10,956 per AF for wells, easements and water rights
  - > \$3,750,000 total
  - Town's capacity in the Keenesburg pipeline will be included as payment
    - Approximately \$750,000 saved in debt obligation through 2032
    - Estimated value of pipeline capacity is \$2,000,000
- \$200,000 Earnest Money (applied to closing)
- 5% Brokerage Fee (\$187,500) to Stillwater

#### <u>Schedule</u>

- 90 day due diligence period
- Full earnest refund if not satisfied



Typical irrigation well in the Lost Creek Basin

# LOST CREEK WATER RIGHTS RECOMMENDATIONS

- Castle Rock Water Commission
- Staff
- •Questions?





## **THANK YOU**

I MOVE TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-014
APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT FOR
PURCHASE AND SALE OF WATER RIGHTS.