



# Colorado Ag Water Alliance

"Committed to the preservation of agriculture through the wise use of Colorado's water resources"

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## North Fork of the Gunnison Basin Water Workshop

**Hotchkiss, CO** – The Colorado Ag Water Alliance will be working with the North Fork Water Conservancy District to host a discussion on **May 18<sup>th</sup>** at **Memorial Hall in Hotchkiss**. **Lunch will be from 11:30am – 12:30pm and the meeting lasts until 3:30pm**. The meeting will be about what tools are available to protect agricultural interests, increase water efficiency, address water shortages, and improve river flows. The event is free and includes lunch.

The discussion will focus on a few topics: the current state of the Colorado River, Ag water efficiency and the prior appropriation system, and integrated watershed management planning. Speakers will include Tom Alvey of the North Fork Water Conservancy District, Cary Denison of Trout Unlimited, Eric Kuhn of the Colorado River Water Conservancy District, and Attorney Aaron Clay.

The Colorado Ag Water Alliance is interested in better understanding what tools are available to preserve irrigated agriculture and learning from producers about potential opportunities and obstacles.

## The Colorado Ag Water Alliance

The Colorado Ag Water Alliance (CAWA) is comprised of agricultural leaders from across Colorado representing major facets of production agriculture. CAWA's goal is to empower Colorado agricultural producers to make the most informed and viable decisions regarding Colorado water.