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Dear Water Literate Leaders of Northern Colorado 2018-2019 Class Member:

We are very pleased and excited to welcome you as a member of this year's class of Water Literate Leaders! The selection was difficult as we had many well-qualified individuals. You will see that the resulting slate, attached, represents geographic and sector diversity.

In the next few weeks, we will be finalizing our nine-month curriculum, chock-full of breadth and depth, including a reading list and other resources you will want to access via our website. www.waterliterateleaders.colostate.edu. (Give us a few weeks to update the website with this year's information. For now, you will see information from last year's class.)

We promise you will not be disappointed—and you certainly will not be bored. That's a big promise, and we do not issue it lightly. We have nabbed a number of highly regarded regional and statewide experts to prepare tightly focused presentations to form the basis for group education and dialogue on agricultural, urban, environmental, recreation, and business water topics.

You can expect to hear from us again in a couple of weeks with more details. Meanwhile, please print out the calendar attached here and be sure all the dates are marked in ink on your respective calendars. We will start at 8am sharp each session, and finish by 1pm, including a working lunch. We will meet at the offices of the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado, 4745 Wheaton Drive, Fort Collins, 80525. In addition to the sessions you have committed to, we anticipate offering two "bonus" field trips, one in October and one in April. You will receive a scheduling poll soon to help us determine the best date for the October field trip.

Our deepest thanks to you for agreeing to give of your time, your energy, and your leadership as we embark on this adventure together.

Sincerely,

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