COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RECEIVE PRAISE FROM WELD COUNTY FARM BUREAU

WELD COUNTY, CO – During the public comment portion of today’s Board Meeting, three representatives of the Weld County Farm Bureau presented each Commissioner with a Certificate of Appreciation for their service to the agricultural community. Citing specifically the Commissioners’ work on water issues facing Weld County farmers and ranchers in 2012, Weld County Farm Bureau President Dennis Mundt thanked the Board for addressing issues critical to the local agricultural community.

“The Weld County Farm Bureau likes to recognize somebody who has done outstanding service during the past year,” said Mundt.

“All of your efforts have been greatly appreciated by Weld County as well as the Colorado Farm Bureau,” continued Bob Winter, District 1 Director for the Colorado Farm Bureau and Weld Farm Bureau member.

“This is greatly appreciated,” said Commissioner Chairman Sean Conway. “I only wish we could have done more. We will continue to work that issue and remain engaged as you know.”

On June 7, 2012, the County Commissioners (Conway, Barbara Kirkmeyer and Douglas Rademacher) attended a community meeting at Fritzler’s Farm in LaSalle and listened to concerns and frustrations from local farmers facing the loss of their crops due to drought conditions. On June 11, the Board of Commissioners unanimously passed a resolution declaring a disaster emergency in Weld County and asked the Governor to order the pumping of restricted wells. Despite numerous letters, meetings and conference calls, that request was denied on June 19, 2012.

From left: Commissioner William Garcia, Commissioner Douglas Rademacher, Colorado Farm Bureau District 1 Director Bob Winter, Commissioner Sean Conway, Weld County Farm Bureau Vice President Lauren Felle, Commissioner Barbara Kirkmeyer, Weld County Farm Bureau President Dennis Mundt and Commissioner Dave Long.

June 15, 2012: members of the Board, along with area stakeholders including farmers and representatives from Central Water Conservancy District, participated in a conference call with staff members of the Governor’s Office and the Attorney General’s Office.