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MEMORANDUM NATURAL RESOURCES ADVISORY BOARD

DATE: February 19, 2015

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: John Bartholow, on behalf of the Natural Resources Advisory Board (NRAB)

SUBJECT: Fugitive Dust Control – Time for Council Review?

At our last regularly scheduled meeting, the NRAB reviewed draft guidelines for controlling fugitive dust in Fort Collins prepared by the Environmental Services Department. We were swayed by the need for, and the benefits of, dust control, both for the health of our citizens, the health of our many wetlands and waterways, and continued efforts to positively affect our nighttime skies. The guidelines seemed appropriate, not overly costly or invasive, and very much in line with similar dust control guidelines in other areas of the arid west.

We understand that this item had been scheduled for Council a work session, but was subsequently taken off the planning calendar. We urge Council to reconsider the merits of this draft proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

John Bartholow Chair, Natural Resources Advisory Board

cc: Darin Atteberry Susie Gordon