## Agricultural Drought Resiliency Funding Available

As the Fall continues to be very dry, ranchers are concerned about how they will provide feed and water for their livestock this coming summer. Many ranchers are working hard to develop and/or improve watering facilities so that they can provide water to livestock in these dry conditions. Given the price of hay this year, funding these types of projects can be very difficult.

To help address the drought challenges ranchers are facing, the White River and Douglas Creek Conservation Districts (Districts) secured funding through the Colorado Department of Agriculture's Drought Resiliency program and the Colorado State Conservation Board to help producers improve livestock watering opportunities during this extended drought period.

Ranchers who are making livestock water improvements during this winter and into the summer of 2022 are encouraged to contact the District office to determine if their project will qualify for this funding.

Because we understand getting projects on the ground is more important than paperwork, applications for this funding are a short two-page document. Funding applications will be considered for approval by the respective District board on a first come, first served basis pending funding availability through secured grants.

To apply for this funding assistance, please contact the Districts' office at 970-878-9838 or stop by 351 7<sup>th</sup> Street in Meeker.