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PRO-CONSERVATION REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES PROVIDE A WINNING CHOICE FOR VOTERS *Colorado Conservation Voters Co-Endorses Al White and Ken Brenner*

Colorado Conservation Voters (CCV) announced its support today for Representative Al White and Ken Brenner, opposing candidates for State Senate District 8, covering Northwest Colorado.

“While a co-endorsement of two challengers is unusual, Colorado Conservation Voters proudly supports both Al White and Ken Brenner because they each have strong conservation records as elected officials,” said Carrie Doyle, Executive Director of Colorado Conservation Voters. “It would be great if all Colorado voters had the same guarantee on Election Day – an elected official, regardless of party affiliation, who supports conservation policies,” Doyle added.

Republican Al White and Democrat Ken Brenner both have extensive public records as strong stewards for protection of Colorado’s natural resources.

Representative Al White has been a strong advocate for the protection of Western Slope water during his eight years in the Colorado legislature. Illustrating his support for conservation policies, White recently received a 91% on CCV’s 2008 Legislative Scorecard.

“I am proud to have been twice endorsed by Colorado Conservation Voters,” said Representative Al White. The endorsement in ‘06, and now again in ‘08 proves my commitment to fostering statewide policies that protect and enhance Colorado’s unique environment,” added White.

Equally noteworthy is Brenner’s decade-long dedication to protecting Western Colorado’s water. He is recognized as a leader for his work with recreation water rights and supporting the Yampa River designation as a Wild and Scenic River. He also played a key role in protecting nearly 10,000 acres around Emerald Mountain from residential and industrial development and the conservation of the entire Yampa River corridor.

“It is a great honor to have my environmental leadership recognized by Colorado Conservation Voters and its members. I look forward to further championing conservation efforts in the great state of Colorado for generations to come,” Brenner said.

Doyle concluded, “In order to protect Colorado’s water, wildlife, and unique way of life, we need elected officials who hold and act upon strong conservation values. Al White and Ken Brenner are making a difference for Colorado. Northwest Colorado voters are fortunate to have two strong candidates vying to represent them.”

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Colorado Conservation Voters works to make conservation values Colorado priorities by supporting conservation-minded candidates for office, advocating for strong environmental protections and holding elected officials accountable. In 2006 94 percent of the candidates endorsed by CCV won their elections.

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