## CONEJOS RIVER DIVERSION INFRASTRUCTURE INVENTORY

## Structure Name: BALL BROS OVERFLOW NO 1

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Date: April 16, 2019

Headgate Location:	Latitude 37.2973		Longitude -106.76208333		3	
Headgate Type: Manually operated 3' wide steel slide gates (2)						
Headgate Condition: E	A □ B ⊠ C □	Diversio other Co	on and A onditions: B C		River Miles from Rio Grande Confluence (Point of Diversion):	Structure Yes ⊠ Submerged: <sub>No</sub> □
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Repair(s) or Improvement(s) Completed Since 2006: Improvements were made to the diversion dam.

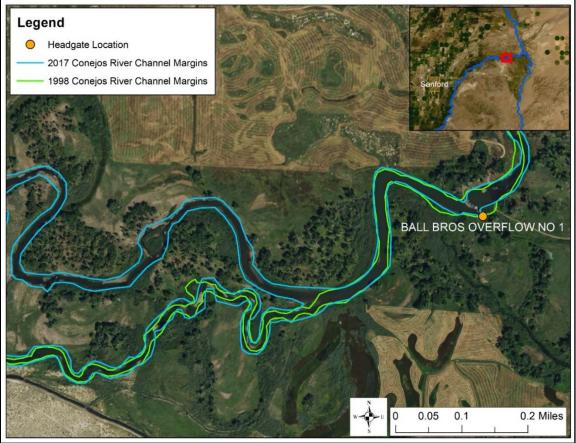
**Structure Description:** This structure is located approximately 1.2 miles upstream of County Rd 28 and is the last structure on the Conejos River before its confluence with the Rio Grande. It is located approximately 0.4 miles downstream of a secondary channel which receives water during high flows. If the secondary channel is captured by the river, this structure would likely be affected. Some lateral channel migration has occurred upstream of the diversion, which is located on the outside of a meander in the river, near its apex. A stacked boulder diversion dam with soil fill directs water to a short feeder channel on the south side of the channel. The diversion dam forms a barrier to fish passage, especially at low flows. It also accumulates woody debris and requires regular maintenance.

**Repair(s) or Improvement(s) Currently Needed:** The SMP Technical Advisory Team (TAT) recommends improving or replacing the diversion. A new diversion would function better for water users, allow sediment and debris to pass through this point in the river, and be less vulnerable to failure during high flows. The TAT also recommends incorporating fish passage into any diversion improvements to increase aquatic habitat connectivity.

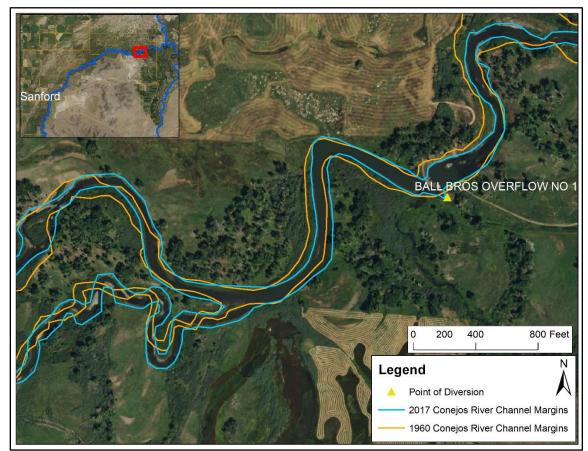
**Comments:** This ditch is a priority 80. This is the last structure in Conejos River before its confluence with the Rio Grande.

## Notes:

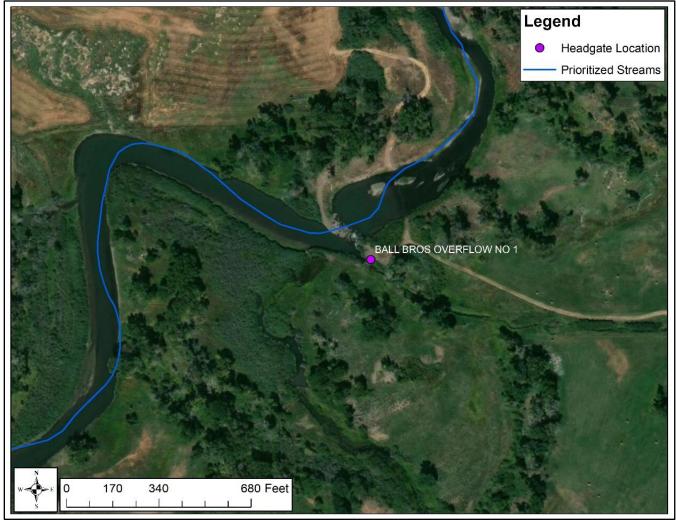




Ball Bros Overflow No 1 with 1998 and 2017 channel margins overlaid



Ball Bros Overflow No 1 with 1960 and 2017 channel margins overlaid



Aerial image showing Ball Bros Overflow No 1. Ditch headgate and diversion dam location.