Interbasin Compact Committee Gunnison Basin Roundtable Meeting

Holiday Inn Express Montrose, Colorado August 4, 2008

Voting Members Present:

Thomas Alvey
Mike Berry
Rick Brinkman
Bud Burgess
Marc Catlin
Greg Clifton

North Fork WCD
Tri-County WCD
Mesa Municipalities
Grand Mesa WCD
At-Large Member
Ouray Municipalities

Carey Denison Ouray County
Steve Glazer Environmental
Ralph Grover Hinsdale County
Tom Kenyon Mesa County

Wendell Koontz

Frank Kugel

Rachel Kullman

Delta Municipalities

At-Large Member

Montrose Municipalities

Henry LeValley Crawford WCD
Dixie Luke At-Large Member

Dick Margetts Local Domestic Water Supplier

John McClow Chairs of the House and Senate Ag Committees

Chuck Mitisek Ute Water Conservancy District

Michelle Pierce Hinsdale Municipalities
Ken Spann Upper Gunnison River WCD

Dennis Steckel Gunnison County

Bill Trampe Colorado River Water Conservation District

Voting Members Absent:

Jim Hokit Montrose County
Hank Hotze Recreational
Olen Lund Delta County
Flynn Mangum Saguache County

Tyler Martineau Gunnison Municipalities

Hugh Sanburg Industrial

Ron Shaver At-Large Member Steve Shea Agricultural George Sibley At-Large Member **Liaisons Present:**

Keith Catlin Colorado Water Conservation Board

David Graf Division of Wildlife

Liaisons Absent:

Phil Boawn US Army Corps of Engineers

Eric Hecox Manager, Office of Interbasin Compact Negotiations

Dennis Murphy US Bureau of Land Management

Wayne Schieldt Division of Water Resources - Division 4

Gary Shellhorn US Forest Service

Harris Sherman Executive Director, Dept. of Natural Resources

Jay Skinner Division of Wildlife
Curtis Swift CSU Extension Agent

Ed Warner Reclamation

Vacant US Fish and Wildlife Service

Non-Voting Members Present:

Sharon Dunning Assistant Recorder

Non-Voting Members Absent:

Michael Gross Gunnison Basin Advisor - CDM

Steve Harris Southwestern WCD

David Kanzer Colorado River Water Conservation District

Jay Winner Arkansas Basin

Public: Nicole Rowan (CDM), Hal Simpson (CDM), Jim Pokrandt (Colorado Basin

Roundtable, Colorado River District), Randy See (Senator Ken Salazar), Jim Hougman (City of Montrose), Noelle Hagan (Candidate HD58), Bob Hurford (DWR), Doug Rademacher (Weld County Commissioner), Don Ament (Brown & Caldwell), Diane Hoppe (MWH), Austin M. Keiser (President GMWCD), Jim Durr (GMWCD), Peter Nichols (Metro Roundtable/IBCC), Fred Walker (Weld County), Bill Jerke (Weld County), Meg Frantz (Boyle Engineering Corp.).

Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairperson Michelle Pierce.

Roll Call

Following roll call, a quorum was declared present.

Approve Agenda

Ralph Grover made a motion to approve the Agenda. Bud Burgess seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Approve June 2, 2008 and July 14, 2008 Minutes

Tom Alvey made a motion to approve the minutes of both meetings. Frank Kugel seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Report from the IBCC Representatives

Bill Trampe stated that the IBCC had not met since the last GBRT meeting, and therefore there was nothing to report. The next IBCC meeting was scheduled for August 22 in Palisade. Bill mentioned that the visioning process would be the focus of the next IBCC meeting. He requested that any member that had questions or concerns should contact him with those items.

Report from the Educational Committee

George Sibley was not present at the meeting, and Dennis Steckel had nothing to report for the Educational Committee.

1. Presentation by South Platte Basin Roundtable

Bill Jerke, Weld County Commissioner and Chair of the South Platte Basin Roundtable, and Fred Walker, also of the South Platte Basin Roundtable, gave a presentation on the South Platte Basin.

2. Uncompangre Valley Water Users Association/Project 7

Marc Catlin and Dick Margetts gave an overview of the results of their feasibility study that was funded with a grant from the Roundtable. The purpose of the feasibility study was to find a suitable location and determine the cost to build a new larger reservoir that would be used for regulation of the South Canal and as a raw water supply for the Project 7 water treatment plant. The capacity of the current reservoir is estimated to hold 21 days of water. The goal is to build a reservoir that will hold enough water to supply Montrose suppliers for one year. Both Marc and Dick felt the results of the study to be useful but have concluded that it would be good to look at additional alternatives due to the estimated cost.

3. Consumptive Needs Assessment

Nicole Rowan and Hal Simpson of CDM provided a draft report titled Gunnison Basin Roundtable Needs Assessment Task Order. They discussed the four completed task orders. Nicole requested feedback on the report within a couple of weeks. CDM will then refine the report.

4. Funded Projects

Ralph Grover attended the CWCB meeting, and the Phase II proposal for the Lake San Cristobal project was approved at that meeting. Ralph indicated that signatures were still missing from Roundtable members to approve the Phase III proposal for funding, which is the last phase of the project.

There was a new project inquiry for the Hartland Diversion Dam on the Gunnison River.

Greg Clifton indicated he would be bringing a project proposal for the Town of Ridgway to the Project Screening Committee.

5. September Meeting

Michelle Pierce asked the Roundtable members if they should reschedule the September meeting to September 8, 2008 due to the holiday weekend. There were no objections, and it was decided the meeting would be mandatory.

6. Other

Ken Spann announced an Ag Shortage meeting coming up.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Gunnison Basin Roundtable will be September 8, 2008.

Adjourn
There being no further business to come before the Roundtable, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Mike Berry, Recorder

Action Items August 4, 2008 meeting)

- Any Roundtable member with comments or concerns on the IBCC visioning process to contact Bill Trampe.
- Any comments on the Gunnison Basin Roundtable Needs Assessment Task Order Draft Report should contact Nicole Rowan at CDM.
- Project Screening Committee will meet to evaluate one new project proposal.