

**Interbasin Compact Committee
Gunnison Basin Roundtable Meeting**

Holiday Inn Express

Montrose, Colorado

April 6, 2009

Voting Members Present:

Thomas Alvey	North Fork WCD
Mike Berry	Tri-County WCD
Rick Brinkman	Mesa Municipalities
Keith Catlin	CWCB Member (Liaison)
Marc Catlin	At-Large Member
Greg Clifton	Ouray Municipalities
Carey Denison	Ouray County
Steve Glazer	Environmental
Ralph Grover	Hinsdale County
Austin Keiser	Grand Mesa WCD
Wendell Koontz	Delta Municipalities
Frank Kugel	At-Large Member
Rachel Kullman	Montrose Municipalities
Henry LeValley	Crawford WCD
Olen Lund	Delta County
Tyler Martineau	Gunnison Municipalities
John McClow	Chairs of the House and Senate Ag Committees
Chuck Mitisek	Ute WCD
Michelle Pierce	Hinsdale Municipalities
Tim Pollard	Mesa County
Hugh Sanburg	Industrial
Neal Schwieterman	Recreational
Ron Shaver	At-Large Member
Steve Shea	Agricultural
George Sibley	At-Large Member
Ken Spann	Upper Gunnison River WCD
Dennis Steckel	Gunnison County
Bill Trampe	Colorado River Water Conservation District

Voting Members Absent:

Dixie Luke	At-Large Member
Dick Margetts	Local Domestic Water Supplier
Vacant	Montrose County
Vacant	Saguache County

Liaisons and Non-Voting Members Present:

Sharon Dunning (Assistant Recorder), David Graf (Colorado Division of Wildlife), Bob Hurford (Colorado Division of Water Resources), Dave Kanzer (Non-voting Member), Dennis Murphy (BLM Liaison)

Public: Mike Drake and Richard Harding (Painted Sky/Hartland Diversion Dam), Ernie Schaaf (VP Hartland Ditch Irrigation Company), Steve McCall and Ed Warner (USBR-GJ), Dennis Reich (CSU), Jeff Crane (Colorado Watershed Assembly), Rick Krueger (USFWS-GJ), Will Hutchins (Landowner), Sonja Chavez de Baca (Selenium Task Force), Randy See (Senator Bennett Regional Representative), David Brown and Ken Leib (USGS).

Welcome

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

Roll Call

Following roll call, it was declared that a quorum was present.

Approve Agenda

Ralph Grover made a motion to approve the Agenda. Frank Kugel seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Approve March 2, 2009 Minutes

Hugh Sanburg made a motion to approve the March 2, 2009 Meeting Minutes. Ron Shaver seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Report from the IBCC Representatives

Bill Trampe gave a report on the IBCC Meeting that took place on March 16 in Longmont, Colorado. The morning discussion was about conservation and the Front Range, and what it could provide for the future. There was also discussion on water reuse issues and agricultural water transfers. Marc Catlin was not able to attend the meeting due to scheduling conflicts.

Hugh Sanburg made a motion to ratify the IBCC representative report. Ralph Grover seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Report from the Educational Committee

George Sibley announced at the River District wants to do an educational State of the River meeting. This presentation is scheduled immediately following the June 1, 2009 GBRT meeting.

George announced that this meeting's educational presentations were on selenium reduction and the Aspinall EIS.

1. **Selenium Reduction** –Sonja Chavez de Baca of the Selenium Task Force, gave a presentation on reducing selenium in rivers in the Gunnison Basin. More information is available regarding the Selenium Task Force on their website: www.seleniumtaskforce.com.

Dave Kanzer gave a summary on the Gunnison Basin Programmatic Biological Assessment.

2. **Aspinall Unit Operations** –Steve McCall of the Bureau of Reclamation made a presentation on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Aspinall Unit Operations. An Executive Summary was provided.
3. **Project Proposal** – Richard Harding gave the Roundtable a brief explanation of the Hartland Dam Fish Passage project proposed by the Painted Sky group. Roundtable members discussed funding for preliminary design of Hartland Dam Fish Passage. \$22,100 is requested from the Basin Account funds. Ralph Grover discussed the Project Screening Committee’s recommendation as well as the available funds in the Basin Account.

Ralph Grover made a motion to approve \$22,100 to fund the Painted Sky proposal for preliminary design of the Hartland Division Fish Passage. Hugh Sanburg seconded, and the motion carried.

Steve Glazer opposed citing the possibility of insufficient funding for Needs Assessment tasks. Steve was requested to submit a minority report to the Chair.

4. **Non-Consumptive Needs Assessments** – This topic was moved to the top of the agenda for the next meeting.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Gunnison Basin Roundtable will be May 4, 2009.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Roundtable, the meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Mike Berry, Recorder

Action Items (April 6, 2009 meeting)

Steve Glazer to provide his minority report opposing the motion to fund the Hartland Ditch Fish Passage proposal.