

**Interbasin Compact Committee
Gunnison Basin Roundtable Meeting**

**Holiday Inn Express
Montrose, Colorado
October 5, 2009**

Voting Members Present:

Thomas Alvey	North Fork WCD
Mike Berry	Tri-County WCD
Rick Brinkman	Mesa Municipalities
Allen Brown	Hinsdale County
Greg Clifton	Ouray Municipalities
Tim Decker	Montrose County
Cary Denison	Ouray County
Steve Glazer	Environmental
Austin Keiser	Grand Mesa WCD
Frank Kugel	At-Large Member
Rachel Kullman	Montrose Municipalities
Henry LeValley	Crawford WCD
Dixie Luke	At-Large Member
Olen Lund	Delta County
Dick Margetts	Local Domestic Water Supplier
Tyler Martineau	Gunnison Municipalities
John McClow	House and Senate Ag Committees, CWCB Liaison
Chuck Mitisek	Ute WCD
Michelle Pierce	Hinsdale Municipalities
Hugh Sanburg	Industrial
Neal Schwieterman	Recreational
Ron Shaver	At-Large Member
Steve Shea	Agricultural
Dennis Steckel	Gunnison County
Bill Trampe	Colorado River Water Conservation District

Voting Members Absent:

Marc Catlin	At-Large Member
Wendell Koontz	Delta Municipalities
Tim Pollard	Mesa County
George Sibley	At-Large Member
Ken Spann	Upper Gunnison River WCD
Vacant	Saguache County

Liaisons and Non-Voting Members Present:

Sharon Dunning (Assistant Recorder), Bob Hurford (Colorado Division of Water Resources), David Kanzer (Non-voting Member), Dennis Murphy (BLM), Gary Shellhorn (U.S. Forest Service).

Public: Michelle Bailey (BLM, Montrose), Todd Doherty (CWCB), Randy See (Senator Bennett), Sam Gangush (BLM, GJ), Joe McBurney (Congressman John Salazar), Barb Sharrow (BLM, Uncompahgre), Kent Davis (Escalante Ranch).

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 there was not a quorum present. Many members were at the Needs Assessment Committee and arrived shortly after 4:00 p.m. Upon their arrival, a quorum was declared present.

Approve Agenda

Ron Shaver made a motion to accept the Agenda. Hugh Sanburg seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Approve June 1, 2009 Minutes

Frank Kugel made a motion to accept the August 3, 2009 Meeting Minutes. Dixie Luke seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Report from the IBCC Representatives

Bill Trampe stated that he had attended the IBCC meeting in Steamboat Springs on September 14, 2009. The meeting was well attended, and in Bill's opinion the best and most worthwhile IBCC meeting to date.

Bill indicated that there was discussion at the meeting regarding performing a pumpback study on the Blue Mesa Reservoir. Bill agreed that they should go ahead with the study. He stated to the Roundtable that anything we ask of the Front Range, we should also do. He urged the GBRT to be practical and real regarding issues. Bill also solicited ideas from the Roundtable on how to preserve agriculture and any other ideas on this issue.

Ron Shaver made a motion to ratify Bill Trampe's IBCC report. Tom Alvey seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Report from the Educational Committee

There was no report from the Educational Committee.

Report from CWCB Representative

John McCloy attended the CWCB meeting September meeting in Steamboat Springs. A good part of the meeting was devoted to the presentation regarding the water supply strategies out to 2050. They also disbursed all the water supply reserve account funds. There were no Gunnison Basin applications in this round. The CWCB Staff is not very optimistic about future funding.

1. Educational Presentation – Bureau of Land Management Resource Management Planning Process/Wild and Scenic Suitability/Eligibility Analysis.

Dennis Murphy, Sam Gaugush, and Michelle Bailey made a presentation on the Bureau of Land Management's Wild and Scenic River Research Management Process. Dennis outlined the requirements of the Wild and Scenic Act and showed the BLM's jurisdiction map.

Dennis said that the Eligibility Report for the Uncompahgre Planning Area is being printed as we speak and it will be available on the internet by the end of October. He will provide hardcopy of the report at the next meeting for anyone interested.

2. Colorado Decision Support System/Colorado River Water Supply Availability Study – David Kanzer and Frank Kugel

David Kanzer and Frank Kugel attended a meeting on August 31 at the CDCP offices. At this meeting the Hydrobase program was distributed to all participants. The program is basically a database with tools to query the database. They both feel that Hydrobase is a powerful tool that does "amazing things." David said that the program is available for use on the internet. However, he will check to see if the Roundtable members can have copy of the program on CD.

Frank Kugel attended a meeting on September 23 in Colorado Springs regarding the Colorado River Water Availability Study. Presentations were given by various consultants. A preliminary draft of Phase I results report was presented, and the goal is to have report available for the next CWCB meeting in November.

3. Non-Consumptive Needs Assessments – Update by Needs Assessment Committee

Steve Glazer reported on the Non-Consumptive Needs Assessment Committee meeting that occurred just prior to the Roundtable meeting. The committee reviewed the data in the 21 critical reaches to determine if their information was adequate. They have determined that they are still in need of additional data from DOW and the Park Service. The Committee discussed the lower section of the North Fork and determined that it has not yet been adequately evaluated.

Steve Glazer said that he would be trying to schedule another meeting with Non-Consumptive Needs Assessment Subcommittee.

4. Colorado Water Conservation Board – Todd Doherty, CWCB

Todd Doherty presented the IBCC's draft report on the water demands out to 2050. He discussed the Gunnison Basin's identified projects. He said that they hoped to have the updated SWSI II report finalized by summer 2010 (State Water Plan). Todd listed the draft reports that are available, and requested any input by the second week in November.

5. Annual Meeting – Election of Officers

John McClow made a motion to dispense with elections and retain the current set of officers by acclamation (Michelle Pierce – Chair, Hugh Sanburg – Vice Chair, Mike Berry – Recorder). Ron Shaver seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Gunnison Basin Roundtable will be November 2, 2009.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Roundtable, the meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

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Mike Berry, Recorder

Action Items

David Kanzer to check to see if the Hydrobase program is available on disk to Roundtable members.

Non-Consumptive Needs Assessment Subcommittee to meet.