

**Interbasin Compact Committee  
Gunnison Basin Roundtable Meeting**

**Holiday Inn Express  
Montrose, Colorado  
November 2, 2009**

**Voting Members Present:**

Thomas Alvey	North Fork WCD
Rick Brinkman	Mesa Municipalities
Allen Brown	Hinsdale County
Greg Clifton	Ouray Municipalities
Tim Decker	Montrose County
Steve Glazer	Environmental
Austin Keiser	Grand Mesa WCD
Wendell Koontz	Delta Municipalities
Frank Kugel	At-Large Member
Rachel Kullman	Montrose Municipalities
Henry LeValley	Crawford WCD
Tyler Martineau	Gunnison Municipalities
John McClow	House and Senate Ag Committees, CWCB Liaison
Chuck Mitisek	Ute WCD
Michelle Pierce	Hinsdale Municipalities
Tim Pollard	Mesa County
Ron Shaver	At-Large Member
George Sibley	At-Large Member
Dennis Steckel	Gunnison County
Bill Trampe	Colorado River Water Conservation District

**Voting Members Absent:**

Mike Berry	Tri-County WCD
Marc Catlin	At-Large Member
Cary Denison	Ouray County
Dixie Luke	At-Large Member
Olen Lund	Delta County
Dick Margetts	Local Domestic Water Supplier
Hugh Sanburg	Industrial
Neal Schwieterman	Recreational
Steve Shea	Agricultural
Ken Spann	Upper Gunnison River WCD
Vacant	Saguache County

**Liaisons and Non-Voting Members Present:**

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

**Public:** Andrew Madison (Uncompahgre Watershed Partnership), Sarah Sauter (UWPP), Denis Reich (CSU Extension), Paul Van Ryzin (NRCS), Mike Drake (Painted Sky RC&D).

**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. However, eventually enough members arrived and a quorum was declared present.

**Approve Agenda**

Michelle Pierce requested to add Michael Drake (Painted Sky) and Paul Van Ryzin (NRCS) for an update on the Hartland Dam conceptual design project.

Tom Alvey made a motion to accept the Agenda with the additional Agenda item. Ron Shaver seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**Approve October 5, 2009 Minutes**

Tim Decker made a motion to accept the October 5, 2009 Meeting Minutes. Bill Trampe seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

**Report from the IBCC Representatives**

Bill Trampe reported that the IBCC had not met since the last report, and that not much had transpired in that period of time.

**Report from the Educational Committee**

George Sibley reported that the Education Committee was working on a series of presentations on water quality for the December, February, and March meetings.

**Report from CWCB Representative**

John McClow reported that there had been no regular meeting of the CWCB since the last report. There was a one day workshop in Denver where the financial situation was discussed as well as evaluation of some existing policies and consideration of some changes to those policies.

The next meeting will be in Denver on November 16, 17, and 18. The subject of that meeting will be on instream flow applications.

**1. Non-Consumptive Needs Assessments – Update by Needs Assessment Committee.**

Steve Glazer reported that the Non-Consumptive Needs Assessment Subcommittee met on October 28 in Montrose. He felt that they had a good and productive discussion covering several important issues. In addition, Steve Glazer and Dave Kanzer discussed the flow evaluation tool, and what it does.

Steve Glazer said the committee had also discussed all 21 critical reaches in the map, but have not really discussed the other 20 reaches. They are ready to add information from the 21 reaches to the worksheet, and then circulate to subcommittee members in the next 1 to 1-1/2 months to refine and finalize. It will then be circulated to the Roundtable.

**2. Presentation by Painted Sky**

Paul Van Ryzin, NRCS Coordinator, and Michael Drake, Executive Director for Painted Sky, gave an overview and update on the Hartland Dam modification conceptual design. They discussed additional funding, and asked the GBRT for a letter of support for the project to help with their pursuit of funding. Steve Glazer made a motion to have the chair write a letter in support of RCND's efforts to raise funds for the Hartland Dam's fish passage project. Frank Kugel seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

**3. Response to Arkansas Basin Roundtable Resolution and July 15 Letter from Front Range Water Providers**

The Roundtable members reviewed the draft of a letter from Gunnison Basin Roundtable to the IBCC and CWCB in response to the Arkansas Basin Roundtable Resolution and the July 15 Letter from the Front Range Water Providers. There was concern among the Roundtable members regarding Front Range uncontrolled growth and uncontrolled use of water, as well as lack of information on water availability in the Gunnison Basin. Other revisions were discussed and George Sibley agreed to revise the draft with the comments and then circulate the draft to Roundtable members. The new draft will be presented at the next Roundtable meeting.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Gunnison Basin Roundtable will be December 7, 2009.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business to come before the Roundtable, the meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

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Mike Berry, Recorder

## **Action Items**

Michelle Pierce to write a letter in support of RCND's efforts to raise funds for the Hartland Dams Fish passage project

Steve Glazer and the Non-Consumptive Needs Subcommittee to add information to the Needs Assessment worksheet, and then circulate to Roundtable Members.

George Sibley to revise the draft letter to IBCC and CWCB with the Roundtable member comments and then circulate the draft to roundtable members, and have the new draft ready for the next roundtable meeting.