

**Public Education, Participation and Outreach Workgroup
Interbasin Compact Committee**

**February 3, 2011
2:00 - 4:30pm**

Warwick Denver Hotel

PEPO Workgroup Mission:

- 1. Create a process to inform, involve, and educate the public on the IBCC's activities and the progress of the inter-basin compact negotiations. This will be accomplished by communicating the vision, mechanics and relevance of the 1177 process to the general public, and securing and relying upon other groups whose focus is to provide water education to the public.*
- 2. Create a mechanism by which public input and feedback can be relayed to the Interbasin Compact Committee and compact negotiators. This will be accomplished by encouraging participation of a broad range of stakeholders through Roundtable representatives.*
- 3. Provide water education opportunities to Roundtable and IBCC members to help them make more informed decisions.*

MEETING MINUTES

I. Attendees

Jeff Devere, IBCC	Judy Lopez, Rio Grande	Jacob Bornstein, CWCB
Jeris Danielson, IBCC	Deb Alpe, South Platte	Heather Bergman, Peak
Jeff Crane, CWA	Tom Acre, Metro	Facilitation
George Sibley, Gunnison	Denise Rue-Pastin,	Michaela, Peak Facilitation
Caroline Bradford,	Southwest	Nicole Seltzer, CFWE
Colorado	John Stulp, IBCC Director	Kristin Maharg, CFWE

II. There were no comment on the minutes from the 12/16/10 PEPO meeting

III. Statewide Roundtable Summit

Roundtable and Public Input

Heather and Michaela have been attending all basin roundtable meetings to get feedback from them on the IBCC's recent report to the governor. They are making sure that all roundtable members understand what it in the document and are doing electronic polling to understand reactions to the strategies outlined in the framework. They are asking how the framework helps or hinders their basin's ability to meet future needs, and whether they think they are giving up more than they are getting.

In general, the new supply pieces of the framework are the most controversial and roundtable members feel this is where there is most work to be done. Also, in general, the feedback from most roundtables is that they are giving up more than they are getting in return. Feedback on the other strategies has been mixed. Another common element is that feedback shows that some framework elements help local strategies while others hinder them. Heather and Michaela will aggregate the data and provide a report on what they heard from the public and roundtable members which will be brought to the March 3 summit.

Summit Agenda

Kristin directed the group to the draft summit agenda in the packet. There are currently 50 people signed up to attend, and we would like to have about 200. We will need to talk about how we ensure we have good attendance, such as promoting the governor's participation. The invitation to Gov. Hickenlooper is in process. John Stulp said that water is high on the administration's priority list, which "ups the pressure" for us to have a successful process.

Caroline wonders about giving the SWSI piece so much time. She would rather see more discussion about the framework. Jacob responded that the common technical work that underlies the IBCC framework and the CWCB goals is in SWSI and deserves to be understood. Jeff Devere said that perhaps we can cut it down to 15 minutes. Nicole agreed that everyone there will have had a lot of exposure to historic SWSI data so perhaps just highlighting what has changed would be all that is needed. Jeris agreed with this approach.

After Eric Hecox gives the SWSI 2010 update, the IBCC Subcommittee Chairs will give a 10-minute overview of their pieces. Jeff wondered if we should provide some Q&A time after that. What if we tried to have a conversation in that format, rather than at the tables? Heather is concerned that this approach may lead to posturing and no positive results. Jeff says this is true, but the posturing is part of the process and may need to happen to move people beyond this. We could give 15 minutes to the Q&A piece and Heather will facilitate. She would like to have the questions be geographically diverse so we get multiple perspectives. Is there any way to manage this? We'll pass the microphone around and ensure that certain perspectives are heard. Jeff said that if the Q&A is going well, we could also keep it going and cut something later.

Caroline wonders if we should have the feedback data summary from Heather before the subcommittee reports. This will only work if attendees have read the report to the governor that outlines the framework. Jacob and Jeff Devere agree with Caroline that we should have Heather's presentation after the Chairs present.

For the 10:00-10:45 break, Kristin has only heard of a few roundtables that want to do a poster. The Rio Grande, South and North Platte, Southwest and Gunnison have requested space for a poster. Metro and Arkansas are not sure. The Colorado Basin will come up with something. Jacob asked if the roundtables want CWCB to help them produce graphics, etc or if they want to do their own things. All felt they have it covered but will get in touch with Jacob if they do. George asked if there will be electricity at the tables. Kristin will ask Viola to have at least a few tables close to outlets. Deb asked if they can actually hang something at the tables. Probably

not, but CFWE can provide easels. Kristin will follow up with all Ed Liaisons regarding details on this. Jacob noted that each roundtable should have someone man the table.

Kristin asked John Stulp what kind of role he'd like for the morning. He would like to introduce the governor and if the governor cannot attend he will fill in at the last minute. Jeris noted that a lot of people have questions about John's role, how the CWCB and IBCC fit together, and whether there has been a significant structural change in the roles of those organizations. John said that should the governor not be able to attend, he will make remarks to this effect.

John asked about the lunch topic. Jacob said that the idea was to do some volunteer recognition by giving thanks, letting people socialize and possibly handing out awards for both serious and funny items. There could be time for John to do Q&A here as well. Heather wonders if, since John will have attended almost all roundtable meetings by March 3, those kinds of questions have already been answered. John noted that he could do this right after the governor, right before lunch, or whenever it is convenient. We can play this by ear.

Jacob said that during the table discussions, the hope is that they will produce some productive ideas for where the IBCC should head. The closing plenary is an opportunity for John to sum up the day, and perhaps we could do polling at the end of the day to see if we have moved the bar on acceptance on the framework. During the 2:00-4:30 timeframe, while discussions on "pioneering solutions" are happening, Jacob, Heather and others will compile the input from the morning table discussions.

We are going to assign tables to each person by putting a table number on their name tag. We will spread out PEPO members (about 12) and the 27 IBCC members to moderate the tables. PEPO/Staff will be there to take notes. Heather likes the idea of, tomorrow at the IBCC meeting, encouraging them to moderate a table. We need to have a few "wanderers" to make sure the tables are staying on track.

Jeris sat through all of the new supply subcommittee meetings and wonders how he is supposed to answer questions about other subcommittees like conservation. Jacob has been thinking about assigning people to tables based on topics they are interested in. We still have to deal with keeping the tables geographically diverse. Caroline noted that we could color-code the nametags by basin and expect the moderators to keep their tables diverse. Kristin thinks we can certainly do the color-coding, but that we should be more explicit about who sits where. All agreed.

Heather noted that the moderator's role is not to bring the depth of knowledge on all subcommittee work to the table, but to do more listening and guiding than talking. Jacob hopes that the roundtable members will bring their roundtable's concerns forward and the moderator (IBCC member) can help respond to how the IBCC worked through the logic. Heather will come up with the table questions from the data she is compiling and each table can deal with those questions that are pertinent to their members.

For the afternoon sessions on pioneering solutions, Kristin asked if the roundtables have anything to report on their members' discussion on the questions circulated by PEPO to help guide this part of the summit.

- Metro: Under what conditions would there be support for basin transfers or changes in use?
- Colorado: Flow Evaluation Tool and East Slope responses to it
- SW/Rio Grande: How the non-consumptive needs assessment process has been done in each basin
- Rio Grande: East/West and Rural/Urban relationships

Nicole asked if we should include a talk on money, grant funds, state budgets, etc. Jacob likes this idea because DNR should be planning for this now. Judy likes this idea, too. If at some point we do not deal with this it could undermine our progress in the future because the role of the roundtables is not to dole out money but to facilitate conversations. Judy noted that all of the solutions we want the attendees to discuss require funds so we should get this going now. We will have a session on money and partnerships. Jacob noted that the governor should have a budget by then so we will have an understanding of how money will help/hinder the process. Jacob said we could make sure the governor hits on this during his speech.

Caroline thinks that 10825 is not the best topic to cover. There was recently a meeting on this at Water Congress and those who care about it are up to speed. Jacob noted that 10825 is an example of a successful partnership between east/west that produced something tangible. But maybe we should focus on harder questions rather than patting ourselves on the back. Likewise, Heather is not sure that the Flaming Gorge Task Force Assessment is ripe for public input. Jacob noted that this is a report out and not a discussion.

Heather thought that perhaps we should keep everyone in general session after lunch and do a presentation on success stories. The group discussed the topics on the draft agenda for the afternoon and which ones were reports and which ones were discussions. Jacob suggested four tracks: ag/urban challenges, east/west/new projects, nonconsumptive and funding/partnerships /moving towards implementation. We could do short presentations at the beginning to present the “pioneering solutions” and lessons learned and then hold a discussion on how to keep the momentum moving in the right direction. Nicole asked for clarification on what the outcomes of the discussions we are anticipating. The concept is how to move forward by building on the successes of the past. The discussions could be very open-ended and could encompass what are the lessons learned, how these can be applied to the future, etc. Who will facilitate them? Staff? Roundtable members? We have utilized the IBCC heavily up to this point want roundtable leadership for the afternoon. Kristin will take the feedback from today and put some structure to the afternoon session and circulate it at the IBCC meeting and then with PEPO. Jacob asked for ideas on people who would be great moderators for these four sessions.

Caroline asked about room setup. Heather would prefer a round table set up so people can look at each other. Jeff Devere said that we need to be cognizant that this section of the agenda is very driven by attendance numbers. We need to be flexible.

Attendance and Outreach

There has been good outreach at the basin roundtable meetings but registrations are currently low. How do we deal with a large influx of attendees that do not register? We will institute a

registration deadline. Heather noted that we could have a written registration form that can be passed out at meetings. CFWE could easily enter these paper forms into the registration system. CFWE will also send an email to all registrants a few days before the event reminding them they are registered and to let us know if there are any changes to their plans.

Sponsorships

We would like to get 3-4 \$1,000 sponsorships to underwrite the evening reception. Kristin plans to contact CDM, AECOM, Leonard Rice, Applegate and other similar firms to help with this. We could also talk to law firms such as Trout, Raley; and Vranesh & Reisch.

Roundtable member appreciation

We would like to give out a few awards over lunch. Each roundtable should get some kind of award. Jeris noted that we should give these to the roundtables themselves, or the members, but not IBCC members.

Yampa/White: Latest meetings, Night Owl Award

Colorado Basin: Most meetings, Energizer Bunny Award

South Platte: Best food

Arkansas: Most members, best cookies

Metro: Comfiest chairs

Gunnison: Most improved attitude award

SW: Pie in the Sky award for longest list of IPPs, most basins in a roundtable

North Platte: Most money spent per capita, most roundtable members per capita

Rio Grande: Kumbayah award, choir award (all singing same tune)

Next meeting

Kristin will send out the revised agenda and the group can decide how to proceed with a next meeting. We will definitely have a day-before meeting at the hotel.

The meeting adjourned at 4:40pm.

DRAFT 02-10-11: STATEWIDE ROUNDTABLE SUMMIT AGENDA

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Westminster, CO

8:00-12:30 Roundtable-to-IBCC Interaction

- **7:00-8:00 Registration, Refreshments & Poster Exhibits by Basin Roundtables**
- **8:00-8:30 Purpose of Today**
Governor Hickenlooper with Introduction by IBCC Director John Stulp
 - Status quo is not acceptable and Colorado needs a portfolio of solutions
 - How IBCC priorities have developed and the direction forward
- **8:30-10:15 IBCC Framework and Strategies to Address the Gap**
Eric Hecox, IBCC Subcommittee Chairs and Heather Bergman
 - SWSI Report: What has changed for 2010
 - IBCC Report: IPPs, new supply, conservation, agricultural transfers, and nonconsumptive
 - Summary of roundtable and public feedback to date & plan for future input
 - Audience Q&A
- **10:15-11:00 Break & Poster Exhibits by Basin Roundtables**
- **11:00-12:30 Table Discussions on Water Supply Solutions**
Tables Moderated by IBCC Members and Assisted by PEPO Workgroup and CWCB Staff
{Questions to be generated by roundtable and public engagement process: What are the ideas and mechanisms to reconcile the feedback and improve the framework?}

12:30-2:00 Lunch and Roundtable/IBCC Member Appreciation

2:00-4:30 Pioneering Solutions & Future Collaborations

- **2:00-3:00 Breakout tracks exploring cross-basin and collaborative approaches addressing multi-purpose solutions**
 1. **Replacing Paranoia with Implementation:** State funding, potential partnerships and the future of the basin roundtables
Moderated by Jennifer Gimbel with Eric Hecox and basin roundtable chairs
 2. **Nonconsumptive Needs:** Lessons learned and building off the success of the 10,825 process, multi-purpose projects, and the Watershed Flow Evaluation Tool
Moderated by Geoff Blakeslee with Caroline Bradford, Lane Wyatt, Jerry Knapp and Greg Kernohan
 3. **Pressures on Agricultural and Urban Water Demands:** Lessons learned and building off the successes of Super Ditch, the South Platte Water Co-op, Rio Grande voluntary fallowing agreements, and municipal experiences to bridge the urban-nonurban divide
Moderated by Travis Smith with Jay Winner, Harold Evans, Louis Meyer and Joe Frank
- **3:00-3:15 Break**
- **3:15-4:30 Challenges with New Supply:** Lessons learned and building off the successes of the West Slope Water Bank, the Flaming Gorge Assessment and the Blue Mesa Workgroup to bridge the east-west slope divide
Plenary moderated by Tom Gray with Bruce Whitehead, Gary Barber, [Front Range municipality roundtable member] and John McClow

4:30-5:00 Closing Plenary: Setting a clear path forward

- **What did we learn today? Poll audience on changes made to conceptual framework**
Director Stulp with Input from Table Moderators

5:30-7:00 Reception and Social Hour

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{Questions to be generated by roundtable and public engagement process}

12:30-2:00 Lunch: Network & Roundtable/IBCC Member Appreciation

2:00-4:30 Roundtable-to-Roundtable Interaction

NOTE: The afternoon will be finalized after Education Liaisons solicit input from roundtables in Jan-Feb on what they would like to 1) learn from other roundtables' successes, 2) what they would like to share about their own successes with other roundtables, and 3) if there are any additional cross-basin topics they would like to explore

Pioneering Solutions & Future Collaborations: tracks sharing and exploring cross-basin and collaborative approaches addressing multi-purpose solutions in the state

1. Moving Towards Implementation: Future funding, partners and purpose of the basin roundtables
2. Nonconsumptive Needs: Lessons learned and building off the success of the 10,825 process for other basins
3. Challenges with New Supply: Lessons learned and building off the successes of the West Slope Water Bank, the Flaming Gorge Assessment and the Blue Mesa Workgroup to bridge the east-west slope divide
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{Moderators to be determined}

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- **Setting a clear path forward**
IBCC Director John Stulp with input from session moderators

5:00-7:00 Social Hour and Reception