

**Interbasin Compact Committee
Gunnison Basin Roundtable Meeting**

Holiday Inn Express

Montrose, Colorado

May 3, 2010

Voting Members Present:

Thomas Alvey	North Fork WCD
Mike Berry	Tri-County WCD
Rick Brinkman	Mesa Municipalities
Allen Brown	Hinsdale County
Marc Catlin	At-Large Member
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
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
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:

Wendell Koontz	Delta Municipalities
Dixie Luke	At-Large Member
Steve Shea	Agricultural
Vacant	Mesa County
Vacant	Saguache County

Liaisons and Non-Voting Members Present:

Sharon Dunning (Assistant Recorder), David Graf (CDOW liaison), Bob Hurford (CDWR liaison), David Kanzer (at-large), Gary Shellhorn (USFS liaison).

Public:

Steve Smith (Wilderness Society), Jason Ullman (DNR Div4), Mike Drake (Painted Sky RC&D), Jennifer Gimble (CWCB), Dan Crabtree (USBR), Chris Treese (CRWCD), Jim Pokrandt (CRWCD), Linda Bassi (CWCB), Joann Fagan (Public/Tri-County Board Member), Lynn Padgett (Ouray County Commissioner), Steve McCall (USBR), Jeff Boessler (CWCB), Andy Mueller (CRWCD Board), Eric Kuhn (CRWCD), several other general public.

Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairperson Michelle Pierce.

Roll Call

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

Michelle Pierce announced the resignation of two municipal representative members on the Roundtable: Wendell Koontz and Greg Clifton. Both Delta and Ouray counties are searching for representatives to fill these Roundtable seats.

Approve Agenda

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

Approve April 5, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Frank Kugel made a motion to accept the Meeting Minutes for the April 5, 2010 meeting. Neal Schwieterman seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Report from the IBCC Representatives

Bill Trampe announced that he had no report due to the fact that he had to miss the IBCC meeting.

Jennifer Gimbel, Director of the CWCB, attended the IBCC meeting and said that it was well attended. The topics of discussion were more of the same as in recent meetings: looking at specific portfolios, talking about water supply strategies and non-consumptive uses and strategies, and determining whether they were getting close to vision statement goals. Members were asked to help develop measurements to help make the determination on the vision statement goals.

Report from the Educational Committee

George Sibley began his report by indicating that the Water Quality sessions would be postponed again until the August meeting.

George said he had been contacted by the CFWE, which is working with Public Education Participation Outreach (PEPO). They are preparing to put some funding into developing education programs, and have expressed interest in working with the Roundtables.

Report from CWCB Representative

John McClock had no report since there had been no meeting for several months.

1. Colorado Water Conservation Board Report – Jennifer Gimbel.

Jennifer Gimbel, Executive Director of the CWCB, discussed the status of the CWCB and the funding situation. She stated that it has been an interesting legislative session. The CWCB has now contributed \$120 million to balance the budget last year, this year and next year, 2011. She discussed the status of the funding for her office, and the cuts they have had to make. She did indicate that there was some funding available for loans, and are “back in business” for project funding.

Jennifer reminded the GBRT members of the four basin roundtable meeting next week in Grand Junction. There would be more presentations on the Colorado River Water Availability Study. All documents are on the website, and they have extended the comment period to mid-July. She announced that the upcoming CWCB meetings are scheduled for May in Denver, July in Salida, and August in Grand Junction.

Jennifer also discussed some notable persons that had passed away, as well as a few staff changes that were taking place.

2. Dominguez Canyons Wilderness Area Instream Flow Appropriations

Jeff Boessler of the CWCB gave a presentation on Dominguez Canyons Wilderness Area Instream Flow Appropriations.

Steve Glazer announced his support of the CWCB’s intent to appropriate ISF for Big and Little Dominguez, but his motion was not seconded. Roundtable members generally supported the CWCB’s ISF appropriations.

3. Joint Meeting with Arkansas Basin Roundtable – Update.

Michelle Pierce updated the Roundtable members on the progress being made on the Agenda for the joint meeting with the Arkansas Basin Roundtable. She is working via email and once it has been finalized she will send it out in advance of the meeting.

4. Non Consumptive Needs Assessment

Steve Glazer announced that the Needs Assessment Committee had met to complete the Draft List of Major Stream and Lake Segments Management Strategies. The draft report was circulated to the members prior to the meeting via email. Steve and Neal Schwieterman were the only Roundtable members to meet. The attendees identified additional management strategies that are already in place and updated the report. They did identify some problems with mining water quality impacts. There are stakeholders working on these problems and they may also come through with some new strategies.

Steve indicated that he would be distributing a new draft. Anyone interested in helping to complete the remaining tasks should forward to him any additional issues. The committee intends to finalize the report for the August meeting in order to send the final document to State.

5. Colorado River Water Availability Study – Gunnison Basin Roundtable Response.

George Sibley reviewed and gave an update on the climate change section of the Colorado River Water Availability Study and provided a list of his questions regarding this section of the report.

Jennifer Gimbel stated that it was a good overview, and the kind of feedback that her office was looking for. She indicated that her office would respond to the questions by George.

6. Project Proposal – Painted Sky Resource Conservation & Development, Regional General Permit for Corps of Engineers Review Process.

Michael Drake of Painted Sky discussed their future application for funding and asked for a letter of support from the Roundtable to the CWCB. The proposal is for statewide money, and will affect the Gunnison and Colorado River basins. The letter will need to be turned in by the 1st of July.

Next Meeting

The Gunnison Basin Roundtable is scheduled to meet in Salida on June 7 for a joint meeting with the Arkansas Basin Roundtable. The next regular meeting of the Gunnison Basin Roundtable will be at 4:00 p.m. on August 2, 2010.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Roundtable, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Mike Berry, Recorder

Action Items

Michelle Pierce will finalize the Agenda with the Arkansas Basin Roundtable for the June 7 meeting in Salida, and forward to the Roundtable members.

Steve Glazer and the Needs Assessment Committee to finalize the Draft List of Major Stream and Lake Segments Management Strategies for the August Roundtable meeting.