# Interbasin Compact Committee Gunnison Basin Roundtable Meeting Holiday Inn Express Montrose, Colorado November 7, 2011

## **Voting Members Present:**

Thomas Alvey
Mike Berry
Rick Brinkman
Tim Decker
Cary Denison
North Fork WCD
Mesa Municipalities
Montrose County
Ouray County

Joanne Fagan Ouray Municipalities

Steve Glazer Environmental
Austin Keiser Grand Mesa WCD
Wendell Koontz Delta Municipalities
Frank Kugel At-Large Member

Rachel Kullman Montrose Municipalities
Dixie Luke At-Large Member

Olen Lund Delta County

John McClow House and Senate Ag Committees, CWCB Liaison

Chuck Mitisek Ute WCD

Bill Nesbitt Gunnison Municipalities
Michelle Pierce Hinsdale Municipalities

Neal SchwietermanRecreationalRon ShaverAt-Large MemberGeorge SibleyAt-Large Member

Ken Spann Upper Gunnison River WCD

Bill Trampe Colorado River Water Conservation District

Rufus Wilderson Gunnison County

## **Voting Members Absent:**

Allen Brown
Marc Catlin
Henry LeValley
Hinsdale County
At-Large Member
Crawford WCD

Hugh Sanburg Industrial
Steve Shea Agricultural

Adam Turner Local Domestic Water Supplier

Vacant Mesa County
Vacant Saguache County

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

Sharon Dunning (Assistant Recorder), David Kanzer (At Large), Gary Shellhorn (USFS).

**Public:** Blaine Dwyer, Erin Wilson and Matt Brown (AECOM); Jedd Sondergard (BLM);

Bob Halley (Cedaredge Farmer).

## Welcome

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

### **Roll Call/Introductions**

Following roll call it was declared that a quorum was not present. However, eventually another member arrived to create a quorum.

#### **Approve Agenda**

Bill Nesbit made a motion to approve the Agenda. Ron Shaver seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **Approve October 3, 2011 Meeting Minutes**

Frank Kugel requested a change to page 2, Public attendees list, where the last name listed as Baumgartner should be spelled Baumgarten. Joanne Fagan also noted two names were missing from the Public attendees list: Scott Harold (Town Manager, Olathe) and John Harold (Farmer).

Neal Schwieterman made a motion to accept the minutes with the amendments. Wendell Koontz seconded, and the motion carried.

George Sibley and Bill Nesbit abstained from the vote, as neither had attended the meeting.

## **Report from the IBCC Representatives**

Bill Trampe stated that the IBCC had not met since the last Roundtable meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for November 30 in Loveland, Colorado.

Bill discussed that within IBCC, and other Roundtables, a movement has been started to replace the Phase II Water Availability Study with risk management investigation work. A proposal will be submitted to the IBCC to endorse that concept.

#### **Report from the Educational Committee**

George Sibley stated he had no additional report to what would be covered under Agenda Item 2.

## **Report from CWCB Representative**

John McClow stated that the CWCB had not met since the last Roundtable meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for November 14-16, in Berthoud, Colorado.

## 1. Colorado River Water Availability Study Workshop

Matt Brown, Erin Wilson and Blaine Dwyer of AECOM discussed and demonstrated the modeling tool titled "CRWAS Web Viewing Tool".

## 2. Gunnison Basin Report

George Sibley distributed an outline listing options and costs for producing a Gunnison Basin educational publication with a proposed titled "Gunnison Basin Water in the 21st Century," highlighting 2012 being designated "The Year of Water." George is working in conjunction with Hannah Holm of the Colorado Mesa University's Water Center to put together this educational publication. Other public education ideas mentioned were to get one article per week into local newspapers, getting traveling exhibits by CFWE to various events, printing extra copies of the publication and distributing them to various locations, and to create the educational publication in electronic form and post it on various websites

There has been \$5,000 earmarked from a Walton Family Foundation grant for the production of this publication. George and Hannah would like to put in a proposal for a WSRA grant as well. Michelle Pierce noted that public education is mandated in the Roundtable process.

John McClow made a motion for the Educational Committee to put together a grant application request for basin funds from the water supply account for this project. Bill Nesbit seconded and the motion carried.

George has scheduled a meeting for November 16 in order to draft a grant application, to be brought to the Project Screening Committee. The Project Screening Committee will bring it to the Roundtable for approval at the December meeting in order for the CWCB to consider in March.

#### 3. Statewide Portfolio and Tradeoff Tool

The Roundtable members discussed appointing a sub-committee to conduct further work on the Gunnison Basin Portfolio. Rick Brinkman has been working with the tool, and suggests that 5 to 6 people be appointed. The following members volunteered: Cary Denison, Rufus Wilderson, Frank Kugel, Olen Lund, Bill Trampe, and Dave Kanzer. Cary Denison will take lead to put together the meeting.

## **Next Meeting**

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The next regular meeting of the Gunnison Basin Roundtable will be at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, December 5, 2011.

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

Mike Berry, Recorder

# **Action Items**

George Sibley will organize a meeting on November 16 to draft a grant application for the Gunnison Basin educational publication.

Cary Denison to put together a meeting of the Statewide Portfolio and Tradeoff Tool sub-committee to conduct further work on the Gunnison Basin Portfolio.