

**Interbasin Compact Committee
Gunnison Basin Roundtable Meeting
Holiday Inn Express
Montrose, Colorado
April 2, 2012**

Voting Members Present:

Thomas Alvey	North Fork WCD
Mike Berry	Tri-County WCD
Jennifer Bock	Environmental
Rick Brinkman	Mesa Municipalities
Tim Decker	Montrose County
Cary Denison	Ouray County
Joanne Fagan	Ouray Municipalities
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
John McClow	House and Senate Ag Committees, CWCB Liaison
Chuck Mitisek	Ute WCD
Bill Nesbitt	Gunnison Municipalities
Michelle Pierce	Hinsdale Municipalities
Hugh Sanburg	Industrial
Neal Schwieterman	Recreational
Ron Shaver	At-Large Member
Steve Shea	Agricultural
George Sibley	At-Large Member
Bill Trampe	Colorado River Water Conservation District
Adam Turner	Local Domestic Water Supplier
Rufus Wilderson	Gunnison County

Voting Members Absent:

Allen Brown	Hinsdale County
Marc Catlin	At-Large Member
Wendell Koontz	Delta Municipalities
Ken Spann	Upper Gunnison River WCD
Vacant	Mesa County
Vacant	Saguache County

Liaisons and Non-Voting Members Present:

Sharon Dunning (Assistant Recorder), David Graf (CDOW liaison), David Kanzer (At-Large).

Public: Todd Doherty (CWCB), Ed Warner and Dave Crabtree (USBR), Jason Ullman (Asst. Div. IV Engineer).

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 the meeting was short a quorum by one member. However, eventually several additional members arrived and it was declared that a quorum was present.

Approve Agenda

John McCLOW requested to add a review of the North Delta Irrigation Company water supply reserve account grant. Tom Alvey made a motion to accept the Agenda with the addition. Frank Kugel seconded, and the motion carried.

Approve March 5, 2012 Meeting Minutes

John McCLOW requested a change to page 3, item 1, in 3 places to refer to the project work as Tamarisk removal. Neil Schweiterman made a motion to accept the meeting minutes with the amendments. Dixie Luke seconded, and the motion carried.

Report from the IBCC Representatives

Bill Trampe stated that he had nothing to report.

Report from the Educational Committee

George Sibley reported that the Education Committee met with North Fork area members to plan the August 6 meeting in the North Fork area. He has also met with Frank Kugel regarding the June 4 meeting in Gunnison.

Report from the CWCB Representative

John McCLOW stated he had nothing to add to the report he had circulated to the Roundtable members. There were no questions for John on his report.

1. Statewide Portfolio and Tradeoff Tool – Basin Roundtable Portfolio Development, Schedule and Assistance.

Todd Doherty made a presentation to the Roundtable members with information regarding timelines for completion of the revisions to the Roundtable portfolios, information on where the CWCB thinks the process is going statewide, and the next steps for the Basin Roundtables, the CWCB, and the IBCC.

Todd indicated that the CWCB is asking the Roundtables to submit something on the portfolios to the CWCB staff by April 30. The CWCB will provide assistance if needed. The CWCB will make an allowance for the Gunnison Basin Roundtable to submit their report after the regular Roundtable meeting in May, if necessary.

Cary Dennison stated that he would like to have a meeting of the Portfolio Subcommittee in next two weeks, and he will be sending an email to schedule the meeting. It was discussed and decided that they would concentrate more on what message the Gunnison Basin is sending, and which scenario that it supports. Three scenarios will be developed by the committee to present to the Roundtable in May at which time the Roundtable will agree on one.

2. **Conservation** – The Roundtable members discussed the topic of water conservation and what conservation strategies should be considered for water providers and users in the Gunnison Basin.

George Sibley developed a draft of the Updated Metro Roundtable Conservation Strategy and a discussion background paper which was circulated to the members.

Roundtable members also decided what the discussion would be with regard to the topic of conservation at the next meeting. The discussion will focus on what the visiting Roundtables mean by “conservation”, and what their expectations are of the Western slope.

3. **Basin Roundtable Project Exploration Committee: Flaming Gorge** – Report and Update.

Rick Brinkman reported that the Flaming Gorge Task Force had met the previous Tuesday. He reiterated that the group was formed collect and organize information. At the meeting there were several presentations one of which was by Jennifer Gimble regarding compact issues. Other presentations outlined proposed projects.

The task force is scheduled to meet again in May.

4. **Basin Roundtable Non-Consumptive Project Planning Workshops** – Non-Consumptive Implementation Plan.

The CWCB is offering Project Planning Workshops on how to pick projects for non-consumptive needs. Neal Schweiterman mentioned that the State is looking for 3 projects per year with a non-consumptive component, and he thinks the Gunnison Basin may already have it covered. He stated that the Roundtable should be asking project proposers as possible to bring projects to the table that have a non-consumptive component.

Neal Schweiterman suggested that the Non-Consumptive Needs Committee discuss via email the possibility of having the workshop and come up with a date in early May. The committee will coordinate the workshop and let Michelle Pierce know when that will be.

- 5. Non-Consumptive Needs Subcommittee** – Appoint a new member to replace Steve Glazer on the Gunnison Basin Roundtable's Non-Consumptive Needs Assessment Committee (NCNAC).

Jennifer Bock made motion to appoint Cary Dennison as Chair of the NCNAC. Bill Nesbitt seconded, and the motion carried.

Tom Alvey made motion to appoint Jennifer Bock to replace Steve Glazer on the NCNCA. Bill Nesbitt seconded, and the motion carried.

The committee members are: Neal Schwieterman, Dixie Luke, Ken Spann, Ron Shaver, Frank Kugel, Jennifer Bock, and Cary Denison (Chair).

- 6. North Delta Tunnel Project** – Change in scope of project.

John McCLOW brought up the issue of the North Delta Tunnel Project. After approval of the original project proposal, the irrigation company got different consultants with revised lower costs. They have now changed the scope by adding several hundred feet of pipe which adds several hundred thousand dollars. However, the amount of money the project will cost will fall within the original amount approved.

Frank Kugel made a motion to expand the scope of work to include the piping. Bill Nesbitt seconded, and the motion carried.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Gunnison Basin Roundtable will be at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 7, 2012.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Roundtable, the meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.



Mike Berry, Recorder

Action Items

Carey Dennison to send out emails to schedule a meeting of the Portfolio Subcommittee in the next two weeks

Neal Schweiterman will email members of the Non-Consumptive Needs Committee to discuss having the CWCB do a workshop and come up with a date in early May. He will inform Michelle Pierce upon confirmation.