



PLATTE RIVER RECOVERY IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM (PRRIP or Program)
Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
August 11, 2016

Meeting Attendees

Finance Committee (FC)

State of Wyoming

Harry LaBonde – Member (Chair)

State of Colorado

Suzanne Sellers – Member

State of Nebraska

Jeff Fassett – Member

Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation)

Brock Merrill – Alternate

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service)

None

Environmental Entities

None

Colorado Water Users

Kevin Urie – Member

Downstream Water Users

Don Kraus – Member

Welcome and Administrative

FC Chair LaBonde called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM Central Time. Kenny listed everyone on the call.

*Sellers moved to approve the May 17, 2016 FC minutes; Merrill seconded. **Minutes approved.***

PRRIP Habitat Management

Farnsworth discussed habitat management activities planned under the bid packages for the Pawnee and Ft. Kearney habitat complexes. He also discussed the fall disking RFQ. Fassett asked whether the Program gets a number of bidders on this type of work. Farnsworth predicted we would get between 3-6 bidders. We generally always get 2-3 bidders and then additional bids come in based on how busy they are with other work. Fassett asked if the Program has developed a list of trusted contractors that do good work. Farnsworth said yes, we have built those relationships over time. LaBonde asked if a caddisfly survey had been completed at the Ft. Kearney Complex. Farnsworth said there are no sloughs present so it is not an issue.

*Kraus moved to approve the Pawnee Complex Bid Package; Urie seconded. **Bid package approved.***

*Merrill moved to approve the Ft. Kearney Complex Bid Package; Urie seconded. **Bid package approved.***

*Urie moved to approve the Fall Disking RFQ; Kraus seconded. **RFQ approved.***



Closing Business

Kenny said there is a construction RFQ coming soon so we will need a brief FC call during the week of August 22, 2016 to address that RFQ or address it electronically. LaBonde asked about the project. Farnsworth said as part of the 404 permit for state channel improvements at North Platte we have to construct a mitigation wetland on the Spiedell property. The FC said they were comfortable with email approval of that project when it is ready.

The next scheduled FC meeting is a conference call is Tuesday, September 6, 2016 from 10:00-11:00 AM Central Time.

FC meeting adjourned at 10:19 AM Central Time.

Summary of Action Items/Decisions from August 11, 2016 FC meeting

- 1) Approved May 17, 2016 FC minutes.
- 2) Approved the Pawnee Complex Bid Package.
- 3) Approved the Ft. Kearny Complex Bid Package.
- 4) Approved the Fall Disking RFQ.