



# PLATTE RIVER RECOVERY IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM

## Finance Committee Conference Call Minutes

September 11, 2013

### Meeting Attendees

#### Finance Committee (FC)

##### **State of Wyoming**

Harry LaBonde – Alternate

##### **State of Colorado**

Suzanne Sellers – Member

##### **State of Nebraska**

Jesse Bradley – Member

#### **Bureau of Reclamation (BOR)**

Gary Campbell – Member

Brock Merrill

#### **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service)**

Mike George – Member

#### **Environmental Entities**

Marian Langan – Alternate

#### **Colorado Water Users**

Alan Berryman – Member

Kevin Urie – Alternate

#### **Downstream Water Users**

Don Kraus – Member

Brian Barels

#### Welcome and Administrative

FC Chair Campbell officially called the meeting to order at 9:24 a.m. Central time. The group proceeded with introductions.

*LaBonde moved to approve the August 21, 2013 FC minutes; Berryman seconded. Minutes approved.*

#### North Platte Choke Point

Brei discussed the bid package for work to be done at the North Platte choke point. Kenny said we are asking for approval of the bid package to get the work done before the end of the year. Brei said construction would start the last week of October. Kenny said the contract is part of the bid package so upon letting of the bid, we will not be coming back to the FC for any further approvals. We plan to enter into a contract with TC Construction of North Platte to provide local construction oversight for less than \$10,000. Kraus asked if this bid package says the Program is the engineer. Brei said yes. Kraus said on

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Page 3 of 6 there is a reference to NPPD that should be fixed. Brei said the change would be made in the final version. LaBonde asked if all of the work is taking place on public right of way. Kenny said the county will take care of all permission issues. Brei said all but a very small portion is in the county right of way.

*Berryman moved to approve the bid package; Kraus seconded. Bid package approved.*

#### **Phelps Canal Recharge**

Kenny discussed the Phelps Canal recharge water service agreement. This is identical to previous agreements as part of the pilot demonstration. This is an additional one-year agreement. The potential cost to the Program is \$25/acre-foot and is based on excess flow. The Program will only pay for what is actually diverted. Urie asked what the potential maximum could be. Kenny and Kraus said the max is usually 15,000 acre-feet and it will be split so the Program would only get 7,500 acre-feet. Kenny said CNPPID has already filed an application for a temporary permit.

*LaBonde moved to approve the water service agreement; Bradley seconded. Water service agreement approved.*

#### **Closing Business**

The next FC meeting is from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Central time on October 24, 2013.

**FC meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m. Central time.**

#### **Summary of Action Items/Decisions from September 11, 2013 FC meeting**

- 1) Approved the August 21, 2013 FC minutes.
- 2) Approved the North Platte choke point bid package.
- 3) Approved the Phelps Canal recharge water service agreement.