

Metro Roundtable Meeting Summary
Thursday, October 10th, 2019, 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Denver Water
1600 W 12th Ave
Denver, CO 80204

Members in Attendance:

Casey Davenport, Darren Beck (P), Dawn Jewell, Jamie Hartig, Jim Hall, Jan Yeckes, Kim Gortz, Lesley Sebol P), Lisa Darling, Morgan Lynch, Sarah Borgers (P)

Guests:

Andrea Parker, Greg Johnson, Joe Frank, Erik Jorgensen, David Kamin, Jim Lahn, Dick Parachini, Josh Baile, Loretta Daniel, Russ Sands, Matt Lindberg, Kara Sobieski

CWCB:

Diane Kielty, Megan Holcomb

Metro Roundtable Business Meeting

1. Welcome/Introductions

2. Approval of August 2019 MRT Meeting Summary (Action Item)

It was moved by Dawn Jewell and seconded by Morgan Lynch to approve the August 2019 MRT Meeting Summary as presented; motion carried unanimously.

3. Agenda: additions or changes (Action Item)

The WSRF Peak Spatial Enterprises Water Information / Real Estate Water Disclosure Site update has been moved to the November meeting due to poor weather conditions.

The West Slope RT Risk Study Comments and Rio Grande Water Export Discussion have been moved to a later date due to poor weather conditions.

4. Public Comment

The MRT meeting will be held in a new location beginning in November.

5. MRT Membership

1. Recommendation At-large Member – David Kamin, Water Resources Team Xcel Energy, is a Water Resource Analyst with Xcel Energy. Recommendations provided in materials packet.

It was moved by Dawn Jewell and seconded by Jamie Hartig to approve David Kamin as an MRT At-Large member; motion carried unanimously.

2. Appointment - Adams County Representative, Steve O'Dorisio
3. Appointment - Adams County Municipal Representative, Emily Hunt

Loretta Daniel with Arapahoe County was present and is Julio Iturreria's replacement. Douglas County will be adding a new member soon. Jamie Hartig will be moving to planning.

6. WSRF (Biggs)

1. Funds Status Per Category Update
 1. WSRF Balance Summary provided as a handout.
2. River Mile Water Resource Recovery Facility – Feasibility Study (Calibre / Carollo)
Location would be at the current Elich Gardens. Main focus will be rehabilitation of the river. Local benefits associated with water reuse, heat recovery and an opportunity to do non-potable reuse in buildings downtown and put water back in the South Platte River. The timeline is late 2020 / early 2021. Demonstration of decentralized reuse. Applying for grant from Industrial Reuse Category for \$25,000.

Membership recommended the study proponent return with a proposal to include information on the match money to meet WSRF criteria.

7. CWP Technical Update Presentation (Matt Lindberg / Kara Sobieski / Russ Sands)

Discussed new components of the technical update, methodologies used, results and actions going forward. An Environmental Flow Tool was developed for the Environmental and Recreation Data Base and can be used by the roundtables as a screening tool for risks. 1051 water usage reporting has been added representing approximately 70% of the state for municipal water usage. They are looking to streamline the update process which will include the creation of an IPP database. The presentation and full technical update is available upon request.

7. BIP Update

South Platte and Metro will work together on a BIP update and will use a general contractor for guidance. There will be an MRT subcommittee created which will be combined with a SPBRT subcommittee to facilitate this process. In conjunction with the BIP update, there will be support of SPROWG in doing everything we can to solve the problems within this basin.

8. South Platte Regional Opportunities Water Group (SPROWG) Study (Darling)

Meeting was held prior to the MRT meeting today.

9. Sports Betting Water Plan Funding Ballot Measure (Holcomb)

1. Legality of MRT providing an endorsement – Some RTs have chosen to support this ballot measure. The RTs have an opportunity to take a position being independent from CWCB.

The MRT membership was asked to indicate their position on endorsing this ballot initiative. The decision was not unanimous. The MRT will remain neutral.

10. Committee Updates

1. PEPO (Davenhill)
 1. Water Education Action Plan (SWEAP)
 2. MRT/SPB Education Coordination Report

PEPO met last in August at Denver Water. They agreed to review the 2019 Education Action Plan and provide comments. Demographics are a bit of a moving target right now. PEPO was asked to submit a budget so CWCB could issue a new Purchase Order. This was done as CWA on behalf of the Roundtables.

The website continues to be updated regularly as new information is available.

Rural Water Association, through their association with the Source Water Protection Program at CDPHE, is planning to submit a proposal for a series of children's water festivals to take place in rural communities throughout Colorado.

I attended the C-9 Summit in Winter Park in September and participated in the SWEAP (State-wide Education Action Plan) meeting. The Critical Water Concepts they have agreed upon and the PowerPoint from that meeting for an update is available upon request.

A request was forwarded for support to go to the South Platte Forum in October and, if there are no objections, it was proposed it be covered from the current Education and Outreach budget.

Met with the Live Like You Love It campaign in early September and will bring their suggestions to the Education Committee in November, then make recommendations for specific activities at the November SPBRT and Metro RT meetings.

2. Environmental/Recreation Committee (Nickum)
 1. Plan to look at the BIPs and coordinate based on the review.

11. CWCB Update

1. Second version of Trout Tank 2.0 is accepting applications for their 8-week accelerator program.
2. Brent Newman, section chief at CWCB, is moving on to a new opportunity as Deputy Director of Audubon in Louisiana.

12. IBCC Update

1. Meeting scheduled on October 23rd. Will report out at the next MRT meeting.

13. Meeting Schedule

1. South Platte Basin Roundtable Meeting – Tuesday, October 8th, 2019, 4:00 pm, Southwest Weld County Bldg., 4209 Weld County Rd 24 ½, Longmont
2. Sustaining Colorado Watersheds Conference – Tuesday, October 8 – 10, 2019, Westin, Avon
3. Metro Roundtable Meeting – Thursday, October 10th, 2019, 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm, Denver Water, 12th Ave., Denver, CO 80204
4. South Platte Forum - October 23 - 24, 2019, Westin, Westminster
5. South Platte Basin Roundtable Meeting – Tuesday, November 12th, 2019, 4:00 pm, Southwest Weld County Bldg., 4209 Weld County Rd 24 ½, Longmont
6. Metro Roundtable Meeting – Thursday, November 14th, 2019, 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm, Denver Water, 12th Ave., Denver, CO 80204
7. CWP Working Group – [2019 Implementation Working Group Link](#)