

Metro Roundtable Meeting Agenda
Thursday, November 14, 2019, 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Denver Water - Between 12th and 13th on Shoshone*
Denver, CO 80204

Members in Attendance:

Alex Davis, Anne Beierle, Barbara Biggs, Casey Davenhill, Chris Douglas, Darren Beck, Dawn Jewell, David Kamin, Dave Nickum, Devon Buckels, Emily Hunt, Gary Thompson, Lauren Pulver, Jim Hall, Kim Gortz, Lesley Sebol, Lisa Darling, Morgan Lynch, Susan Nedell

Guests:

Laurel Teal, Tom Arnold, Jack Grazius, Nathen Coombs, Ken Rawford, Cleave Simpson, Phyllis Thomas, Mary Presecan, Shaden Musleh, Lauren Berent, Joanna Ortiz, Jon McAnally, Luis Tovar, Trevor Even, Julia Keedy, Britta Strother, Jim Pokrandt, Jeffery Nathanon, Jeff Bandy, Erik Jorensen, Loretta Daniel, Royal Koepsell, Will Roger

CWCB:

Diane Kielty, Megan Holcomb

Metro Roundtable Business Meeting

1. **Welcome/Introductions**
2. **Approval of October 2019 MRT Meeting Summary (Action Item)**
It was moved and seconded to approve the October 2019 MRT Meeting Summary as presented; motion carried unanimously.
3. **Agenda: additions or changes (Action Item)**
None
4. **Public Comment**
None received.
5. **West Slope RT Risk Study Phase III (Jim Pokrandt, Colorado RT)**
Focus on pre-emptive actions to preserve Lake Powell levels and protecting both Lake Powell and Lake Mead. Discussion involved curtailment scenarios and interim guidelines being renegotiated beginning in 2020. Presentation available upon request.
6. **Rio Grande Water Export Discussion (Nathan Coombs/Cleeve Simpson, Rio Grande WCD)**
Conceptual Framework in CWP does not currently have an avenue for RTs to coordinate information on private enterprise and the water market, buying and retiring water rights currently referred to as renewable water uses. San Luis Valley's water supply is not in balance with the demand. Speculative interests are proposing drawing water from the San Luis Valley aquifer system and transferring it out. Contact Cleeve Simpson with the Rio Grande RT for more information.
7. **WISE Authority Salinity Management Plan Study (Jacobs Engineering)**
Water Infrastructure Supply Efficiency Partnership project desalination options presentation. Options considered include membrane technology and brine disposal methods. The blending options analysis evaluated elevated water amount, timing and location assumptions. Blending over time in a reservoir is a viable option, but requires considerable infrastructure build out. A cost comparison between desalination and blending determined desalination as the cost-effective option. The next phase of study will consider combining methods. Presentation available upon request.
8. **WSRF (Nickum)**
 1. Request for Amendment of Existing WSRF Grant
 1. H2infO Project Expansion Peak Spatial Enterprises Water Information / Real Estate Water Disclosure Site presentation by Royal Koepsell. The initial project of building the tool and gathering data set is complete. Data is being pushed out

to home buyers as they are buying homes. It is currently live in a 7-county pilot area. This project is now being reconsidered as a statewide initiative. Asked the water providers in the room to take H2info contact information back to their administrative and billing departments.

2. Funds Status Per Category Update

1. The WSRF Balance Summary was reviewed.

9. **Colorado Water Plan Grants (Biggs/Hunt)**

1. H2info Project Expansion Peak Spatial Enterprises Water Information / Real Estate Water Disclosure Site Letter of Support. The grant request will be in the \$30,000 - \$40,000 range. They were asked to come back in January with a firm dollar amount for their grant request and defined territory for the expanded scope.
2. Cherry Creek Walker Pit Reservoir Project Letter of Support (Luis Tovar)
Retrofitting pit into a reservoir. Goals for project are to replace non-renewable ground water, develop 1,300 AF of renewable supplies, protect for drought and manage the water supply. Addresses the SPB water supply gap, develops local renewable water supplies, is consistent with CWP and addresses both drought and water supply management. They will be applying for a \$1M grant with total project costs at \$16M.

MRT membership approved providing a Letter of Support.

10. **CWCB Update (Holcomb)**

Nothing substantial to share at this time.

11. **IBCC Update (Darling/Bennett)**

They met on October 23rd. Discussion on demand management was focused on how IBCC could advance the demand management conversation. Notes will be available soon.

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

Environmental & Recreation Group is meeting in November. Next Task Force meeting is scheduled for December 10th, location and time to be determined.

13. **Committee Updates**

1. PEPO (Davenhill)
 1. Water Education Action Plan (SWEAP)
 2. MRT/SPB Education Coordination ReportIn outreach budget there are funds to create a video. Would like to start with a short video on the topic of the SP river as a hard-working river looking at the alluvial nature of the river, how it has been developed and used. A story board will be developed for review. The membership agreed to proceed on this project.
2. Environmental/Recreation Committee (Nickum)
They held a meeting prior to this meeting. One need identified is to develop a scope of work for a literature review of plans in existence to bring into the BIP process looking at where proposed projects and environmental and recreation values overlap. Asked for initial MRT membership agreement to develop a SOW for this effort. The membership agreed to proceed on the SOW.

14. The December MRT meeting is cancelled.

15. **Meeting Schedule**

1. South Platte Basin Roundtable Meeting – Tuesday, November 12th, 2019, 4:00 pm, Southwest Weld County Bldg., 4209 Weld County Rd 24 ½, Longmont
2. Metro Roundtable Meeting – Thursday, November 14th, 2019, 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm, Denver Water, **Between 12th and 13th on Shoshone***, Denver, CO 80204
3. Metro Roundtable Meeting – Thursday, January 9th, 2020, 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm, Denver Water, **Between 12th and 13th on Shoshone***, Denver, CO 80204
4. CWP Working Group – [2019 Implementation Working Group Link](#)