

Metro Roundtable Meeting Summary

Thursday, April 9, 2020

3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Online GoToMeeting

Members in Attendance:

Alexandra Davis, Andrea Rogers, Barbara Biggs, Bob Peters, Casey Davenport, Chris Douglass, Darren Beck, David Nickum, Dawn Jewell, Devon Buckels, Emily Hunt, Jessica Brody, Jim Hall, Kimberly Gortz, Lesley Sebol, Lisa Darling, Loretta Daniel, Morgan Lynch, Rick Marsicek, Rick McCloud, Sarah Borgers, Shaden Musleh, Steve O'Dorisio, Susan Nedell,

Guests:

Austa Parker, Brent Cody, Britta Strother, Chip Paulson, Cynthia Lane, Gene Reetz, Jeffrey Bandy, Jeffrey Nathanson, Jon McAnally, Katie Keefe, Laura Belanger, Laurel Stadjuhar, Lindsay Griffith, Lindsay Rogers, Mary Presecan, Mary Snyder, Matt Lindburg, Will Koger, William Caile, Doug Robotham

CWCB:

Russ Sands, Sam Stein, Diane Kielty

Metro Roundtable Business Meeting

1. **Welcome/Introductions**
2. **Approval of January 2020 MRT Meeting Summary and February 2020 Joint SPBRT & MRT Meeting Summary**

It was moved by Lisa Darling and David Nickum seconded to approve the January and February 2020 MRT Meeting Summaries as presented; motion carried unanimously.

3. **Agenda: additions or changes**
None

4. **Public Comment**
None

5. **WSRF (Hunt)**

1. 1st Presentation - Lookout Mountain Water District, Rehabilitation Beaver Brook Dam. A design/install of a supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) system to automate Upper Beaver Brook Reservoir's release gate operation based upon realtime measured flow data and additional user inputs. This effort will implement a project that reduces non-beneficial water releases and protects and enhances environmental and recreational attributes. The estimated cost to complete is \$90,000. The request is \$45,000 from the Statewide Account and \$25,000 from either the MRT Municipal and Industrial Implementation of IPP's account or Municipal and Industrial Conservation and Reuse account.

There were no objections. They received preliminary approval and will return with a formal grant application and request.

2. **WateReuse Colorado Update** (Laura Belanger, Western Resource Advocates) DPR project Phase I Technical Memos and Executive Summary (project was supported by a Metro WSRF grant):
<https://watereuse.org/sections/watereuse-colorado/> - scroll down to the section titled "WateReuse Colorado Advancing Direct Potable Reuse to Optimize Water Supplies and Meet Future Demands". A Non-potable Reg 84 Reuse overview

and update was provided. Discussed current drivers and opportunities for Reuse. Direct Potable Reuse (purified water) both Indirect (IPR) and Direct Potable Reuse (DPR) was discussed. There are no federal or state DPR-specific regulations. They have designed a multiple phase DPR project. Provided an overview of the multiple phases. Presentation available upon request.

1. WSRF Grant Request

DPR project Phase II: NWRI [Guidelines for Direct Potable Reuse in Colorado](https://watereuse.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Guidelines-for-DPR-in-Colorado.pdf) <https://watereuse.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Guidelines-for-DPR-in-Colorado.pdf>

\$50,000 ask from MRT for the Stakeholder process. Match/In-kind will come from stakeholders participating in the process. Estimated total cost of process is \$160,000. This would be split between IPPs and Conservation & Reuse.

There were no objections. They received preliminary approval and will return with a formal grant application and request.

2. Water Plan Grant Letter of Support Request

\$60,000 will be requested for a Water Plan Conservation Grant. They will be asking for Letter of Support from other RTs to allow a stakeholder process to get started and to hire a professional facilitator.

There were no objections. A Letter of Support was approved.

3. 10.10.10 Application Discussion

The group would like to come back with a Metro focused request for funding. There has been a new development. A donor has provided an incentive to entrepreneurs to choose water. There would be matching funds from CWCB that has already been awarded. The system mapping exercise process of itself may have value. The RT has suggested they return with a new request with a focus on Metro.

4. Funds Status Per Category Update

1. WSRF Balance Summary. All categories have been reset to the \$85,000 level. Reserve is at \$354,864. There are approved projects in the queue that will bring the balance down. There has been a request made by the State to evaluate spending to prepare for a potential reduction in funding. Those projects that are committed to and under contract are going to be paid.

6. Committee Updates

1. PEPO (Davenhill)

Members were asked to review the WSRF request for funding. They are working on a video proposal with Christi Body developing the storyline. This will be produced at a reasonable cost of approximately \$10,000. The draft will be shared at the next meeting. Please visit the SPB website and provide feedback.

2. Environmental/Recreation Committee (Nickum)

The Committee is hoping to coordinate going into the BIP review with the Local Expert once a consultant is selected.

7. South Platte Regional Opportunities Water Group Study (Darling)

1. Presentation of Final Report (Matt Lindburg, Brown & Caldwell)

Future water supply development concept. Report was published on March 6th

and is on the SPB website. The focus is on using supplies within the basin. It is not a substitute for an IPP. Four alternatives are illustrated. The presentation is available by request and will be posted on the SPB website.

8. CWCB Update (Stein)

CWCB has given each RT a GoToMeeting account and they are available for RT support. The May Board meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held online. Training of Local Experts will be held April 29 – 30 and May 4-6. RT Chairs will be welcome to participate from 9:00 am – 10:00 am on May 4th, 5th and 6th.

9. IBCC Update (Darling/Bennett)

Would like to have a facilitated meeting with the RT, IBCC Reps, Local Expert, etc. in June or July to ensure all are moving forward in unison.

10. Local Expert Selection Process Update (Biggs)

The RT Executive Committee was drafted to be the Selection Committee due to time constraints. There were two proposals received, HDR and West Sage (WSW) Water. HDR's proposal was ranked slightly higher than WSW. Both proposals were excellent. The rankings were so close that interviews were held. There is separate funding for subject matter experts. MRT may tap into WSW for expertise. HDR was selected as the Local Expert.

May is the MRT Annual Meeting. We will go through membership attendance to highlight those who haven't been able to attend regularly. Four people are interested in positions on the RT.

11. Meeting Schedule

1. Metro Roundtable Meeting – Thursday, April 9th, 2020, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm, [GoToMeeting Online](#)
2. South Platte Basin Roundtable Meeting – Tuesday, April 14th, 2020, 4:00 pm, [GoToMeeting Online](#)
3. South Platte Basin Roundtable Meeting – Tuesday, May 12th, 2020, 4:00 pm, Southwest Weld County Bldg., 4209 Weld County Rd 24 ½, Longmont ([location tentatively scheduled](#))
4. Metro Roundtable Meeting – Thursday, May 14th, 2020, 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm, Denver Water, Between 12th and 13th on Shoshone*, Denver, CO 80204 ([location tentatively scheduled](#))