

August 31, 2020

Colorado Water Conservation Board C/O Craig Godbout 1313 Sherman St. Suite 718 Denver, CO 80203

RE: POGG1 2019-2352

Dear Craig,

This letter serves as the final report for the CWCB Water Supply Reserve Fund grant that the Arkansas River Basin Water Forum (ARBWF) received on October 15, 2018. These numbers reflect the amendment confirmed on June 18, 2020. The ARBWF is the fiscal agent for the Arkansas Basin Roundtable (ABRT), Public Education, Participation and Outreach (PEPO) grant for \$10,252.50. A remaining balance of \$38.14 was not utilized by this grant in task two because Amber Weber anticipated a higher cost to host the story maps on the website than it turned out to be. The Arkansas River Watershed Collaborative provided cash match in the amount of \$2,006.25. Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District provided \$4,125.00 cash match and Amber Weber, provided \$500 in-kind time for grant and project management. The total amount of matching funds provided was \$6,631.25.

The grant scope addresses the Arkansas Basin Implementation Plan (ArkBIP) identified concerns, provides education, and promote action through multiple outreach mechanisms. The project included:

- 1. Webpage Data Collection and Development
 - PEPO
 - ARWC
 - Needs Assessment
 - Non-Consumptive Committee
 - Story Map
 - Basin Implementation Plan
 - Roundtable/Executive Committee
- 2. Website Transfer and Payments
- 3. Grant Administration

The ARBWF successfully utilized all grant funds and the PEPO Coordinator and project partners have provided \$40,000 in in-kind time and cash.

1. Webpage Data Collection and Development



In task 1, the largest part of the task was to get the Arkansas Basin Story Map onto the website as all other necessary pieces to the scope of work had been completed. This included porting over information from a variety of websites including ARWC, PEPO, and other general information that could be accessed in one site rather than several. The first report detailed the work done to import all other webpage data to one site and the stakeholder process for that. The story map was the most difficult part of this task due to unavoidable roadblocks. The story map was first conceptualized several years ago, and work was done on this through, an organization who partnered with the Arkansas River Watershed Collaborative. Years later, when the story map was being revisited to add to the website, the PEPO Coordinators realized that much of the data needed to be reviewed and verified and the aesthetics of the story map needed to be updated. In the process of beginning this, data was lost in a transfer of ownership, all pictures were lost, and all project data needed to be verified. This proved to be a challenge, but fortunately the Arkansas River Watershed Collaborative (ARWC) was committed to finishing this product. ARWC spent time and money getting the story map to a place where someone could assist in getting it published online.

In June 2020, a meeting between Rico Carale (contractor), Amber Weber (PEPO), Carrie Adair (ARWC), and Chelsey Nutter (ARWC) to discuss the project was held. The discussion points of this first meeting included the intention behind the story map, problems with the project database that needed to be fixed, and different ways the data could be presented, whether that be in a story map or some other format. An older shortlist containing 227 projects in the basin already existed, but none of the project pictures were appearing and the accuracy of the information present needed to be checked. The information from this older shortlist was converted into a Projects in the Basin Excel file, but sometime during the transfer, fragments of data were lost. It was determined that one of Rico's responsibilities was to clean up the transferred data and develop it into a cleaner database that could be used for a new shortlist or for future reference.

The raw Projects in the Basin Excel sheet consisted of 227 projects, covering each project's name, description, and links along with columns of irrelevant data. In the data transfer, half of each project's description was lost, and what was left included unnecessary coding language. Many of the links associated with the projects were suspected to not work, and odd text characters were scattered throughout the spreadsheet. To begin, Rico hand checked the spreadsheet row by row- deleting irrelevant data and odd text characters, updating the project names and descriptions to be accurate, and checking the project links to see if they worked or went to the correct place. Once he had checked all 227 projects, Rico then expanded the spreadsheet by including each project's partner(s) and by organizing the projects by completion status (complete, concept, planned, or ongoing).

Once the clean-up was complete, Rico received a list of 107 projects and an IPP list of roughly 500 projects to cross-check and potentially include in the database. Many of the projects in both lists were no longer being pursued or were already accounted for, so the main Projects in the Basin database was expanded to include 354 projects. After this, the database was further expanded to include each project's longitude, latitude, and project type (watershed health/fire, storage, agriculture, municipal, supply and demand, etc.



Deliverables for this task included:

- Conducting interviews with all necessary individuals/organizations/entities/chairs to ensure all information is transferred to new story map site, to get information to add, to receive input for aesthetic approach, etc.
- Coordinator to confirm with each entity the work has been successfully completed
- To transfer the story map to the existing roundtable website

All deliverables were completed and the website it not only a hub for all Arkansas Basin Roundtable information, but is a now a robust and efficient system to use for a variety of things such as Needs Assessment; BIP update and document upload; easily accessible information of members, meetings, etc.; and a source of information for existing and new members, stakeholders, and interested parties. The costs for task two were \$8,309.81.

2. Website Transfer and Payments

The website has been paid for, both in domain and website, until 2022 at which point payment will be due again, but until that time, the Arkansas Basin Roundtable can rest assured that their website is taken care of.

In addition to a working website that is paid for, the Roundtable has the ability to display their member seats on the POWR map, found here: <u>https://www.arkansasbasin.com/</u> that was purchased so that constituents can easily find who the local representative is so that (s)he may be contacted regarding roundtable matters. In addition, the roundtable is going through a BIP update and the Local Experts (LE) have requested a way to submit documents directly to them that is easy and accessible to the stakeholders who will be submitting that does not require someone to email to them. This has been done by the application created by Elfsight which can be found at, <u>https://www.arkansasbasin.com/basin-implementation-plan.html</u> and will allow for a document upload and to be sent to both LEs. These two applications make the website more accessible and useful by the membership. Two ESRI purchases were made, one by ARWC and one by LAVWCD, in order to make all of this happen and to integrate it into the website. This total is \$189.96. This task totaled to be \$1,404.55.

3. Grant Administration

The PEPO Coordinator has provided leadership in water education and has promoted and supported ArkBIP identified education to action projects/programs throughout the basin. The PEPO Coordinator has communicated and worked with all partners who are responsible for providing in-kind support and for implementation of ArkBIP identified programs.

The PEPO Coordinator performed the organization, coordination, task management, and reporting on all proposed educational ArkBIP projects. The PEPO Coordinator has also monitored and reported on all of PEPO activities to the ARBWF, PEPO workgroup, CWCB, and the Executive Committee of the ABRT. An amount of \$500 was paid to Amber Weber to



manage the grant and projects within. An additional in-kind match was provided by the coordinator in the amount of \$500 to complete the task.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know.

Thank you for your time, effort, and most of all for the support you have provided these important projects and programs.

Sincerely,

Sabert Hamel

Amber Weber

Amber Weber ABRT PEPO Coordinator

Robert Hamel ARBWF Board President



Attachment 1: Budgets

Attn:

Colorado Water Conservation Board Invoice to: 1313 Sherman St. Rm. 721 Denver, CO 80203 Craig Godbout

Project Name: Arkansas Basin Roundtable Website

Grantee: Arkansas River Basin Water Forum Address: PO Box 11295, Pueblo, CO 81001 Phone No.: 719-251-2845 **CWCB** Contract POGG1 PDAA 201900002352 or Purchase Order No.: Full Grant Amount: \$10,252.50 Date of Invoice: July 27, 2020

Task	Description	Total Budget/Grant Funds	Previously Invoiced	Current Invoice	Remaining Total	Percent Complete
1	Webpage Data Collection	\$ 8,309.81	\$0	\$ 8,309.81	\$0	100%
2	Website Transfer and Payments	\$1,442.69	\$0	\$1,404.55	\$38.14	97%
3	Grant Administration	\$500	\$0	\$500	\$0.00	100%
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Submitted by: Amber Weber

Title: PEPO Coordinator

Signature: Amber Weber

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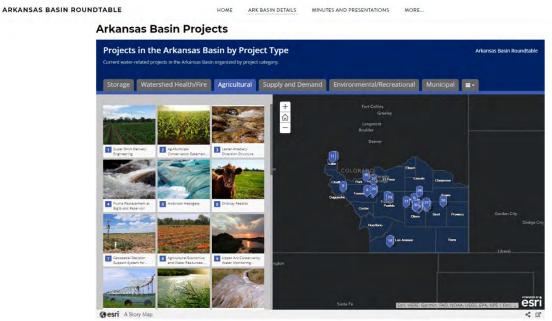


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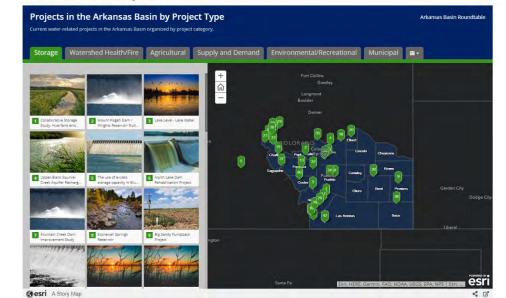




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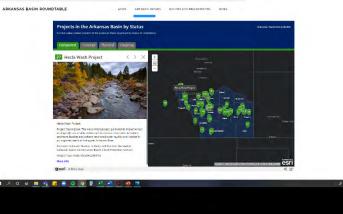
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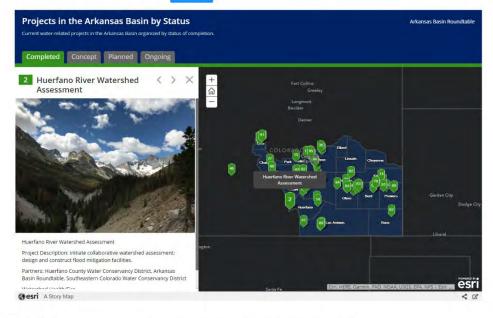
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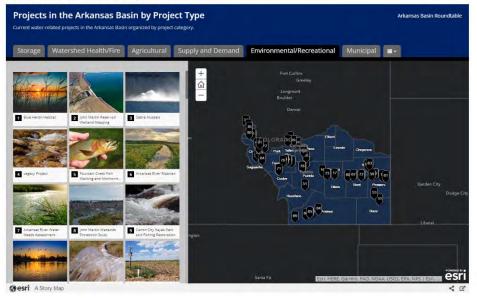
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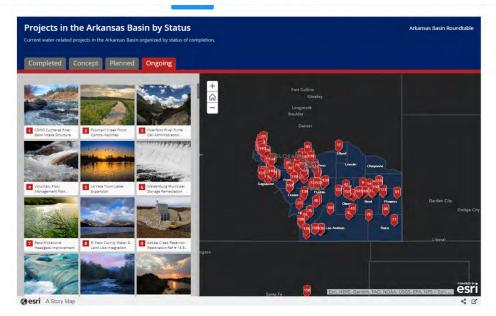
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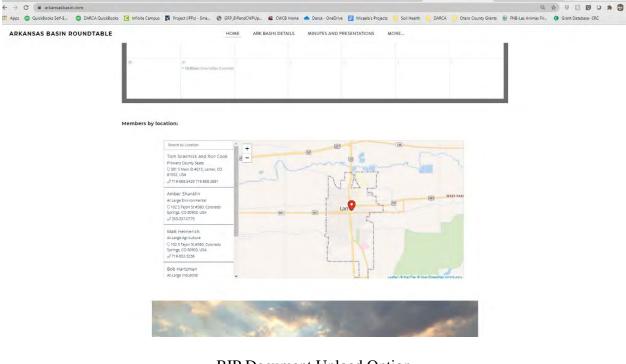
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Attachment 3: ABRT website improvements Members by Location





BIP Document Upload Option



To submit a document directly to the Local Experts and the Ark Basin Roundtable, please use the "Get in Touch" box below and include your attachment.

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2. December 1. 2019- for February . 2020 Colorado Water Plan grant submissions

Our Chair

If you have any questions or would like to submit an application, please contact the Needs Assessment chair or geographic-specific individuals by emailing arkneedsassessment@gmail.com.

> Abby Ortega Needs Assessment Chair

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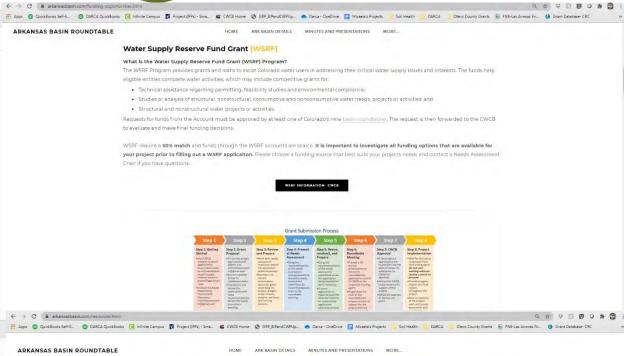
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The Education to Action program is designed to provide education and outreach for Arkansas Basin Implementation Plan identified projects. The purpose of the program is to provide a platform for project sponsors to engage stakeholders, possible partnerships, funding sources and the public on the needs







Basin Roundtables

To facilitate discussions on water management issues and encourage locally driven collaborative solutions, nice basin roundtables were established by the <u>Colorado Water for the 21st</u> <u>Century Act</u>. These roundtables represent each drite state's eight major river basins and the

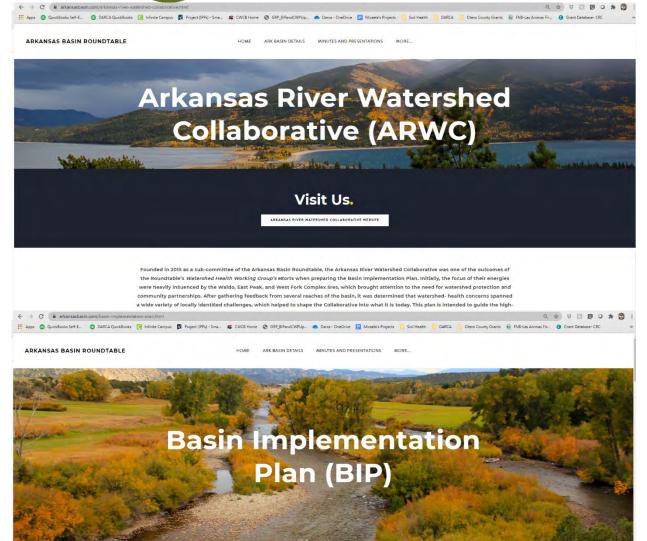
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CWCB (Colorado Water Conservation Board)

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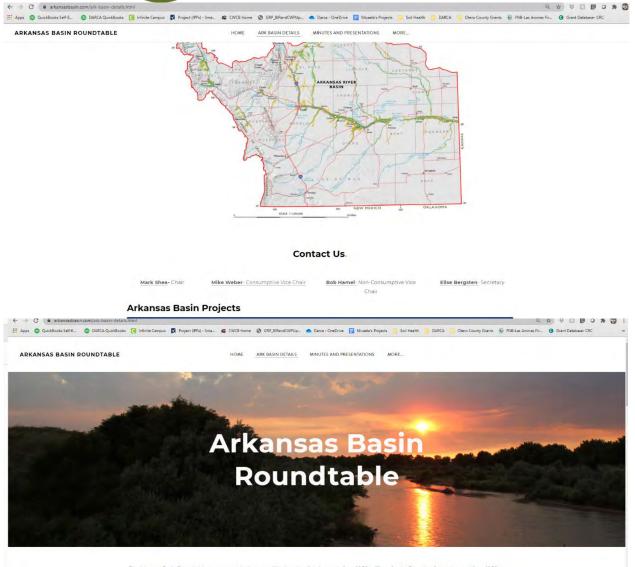




BIP and Projects Database Update:

Project information can be updated online via a form by sending an email to Brett Cracely at <u>brett.gracely@lrewater.com</u> or Will Koger at <u>wkoger@forsgren.com</u> or submitting a ticket in the "Cet in Touch" box below, identifying the Project or Projects you would like to update. You will receive a reply email with a direct link to a form where you can update project information. This form is also below and can be downloaded and submitted in the Cet in Touch box as an attachment. These links will remain active and the information for each project can be updated and revised as often as needed over the course of the BIP Update.



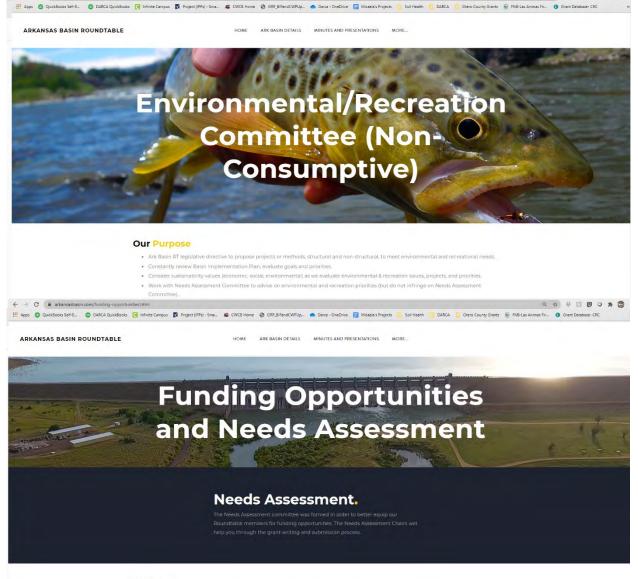


The Arkansas Basin Roundtable meets monthly, the second Wednesday of each month, from 10:30 to 12 pm for the Executive Committee and from 12:30 to 300 pm for the roundtable meeting. Unless advised otherwise, meetings are held at Pueblo Community College.

GLOSSARY OF WATER TERMS

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Notice:

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The Arkansas Basin Roundtable has modified our grant process due in part to the uncertainty around funds and the COVID-19 crisis.



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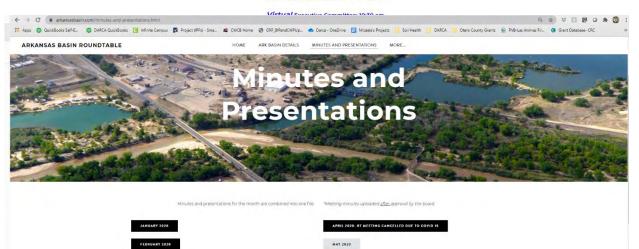
The Arkansas Basin Roundtable is currently accepting changes to projects and the database for the Basin Implementation Plan update. Please click on the link below for further information.



Welcome to the Arkansas Basin Roundtable.

Our Next Meeting:

Wednesday, September 9, 2020



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In addition to working on basin projects and outreach, the Arkansas Basin PEPO also supports the State Wide Education Action Plan (SWEAP). You can find more details



Our Goal

"Our Goal is to inform, involve and educate the citizens of the Arkansas River Basin about local water resources"

Our Purpose

Our purpose is to provide Arkansas River Basin specific education and outreach to our citizens. We hope to engage the public on water resource topics and issues and provide a platform for water related dialogue. We stri to provide education and outreach for all water partnership and provides a line of use components and meet the educational needs associated with municipal supply. irrigated agriculture, recreation, and the

Our Partners

There are nine roundtables in the state of

Contact Us.

Jean Van Pelt- PEPO Coordinator Amber Weber- PEPO Coordinator

Colorado and each roundtable has a PEPO workgroup. The PEPO Workgroup in the Arkansas Basin is unique in structure and vision. The PEPO Workgroup works in communication between the Intelbasin Compact Committee (IBCC), Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB). Arkansas Basin Roundtable (ABRT), Arkansas River Basin Wa



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Programs and Projects

The Arkansas Basin PEPO Workgroup have been awarded several grants from 2016 - 2018 from the Colorado Water Conservation Board to provide education and outreach to the citizens in the Arkansas River Basin. The PEPO Workgroup identified the following failes to provide this education.

- Arkansas River Basin Documentary and webisodes
- Implementation of a Community-Led or Children Water Festivals
 Education to Action Program to promote Arkansas Basin Implementation Plan
- identified water projects.

 Line of Communication Between Water Leaders and Public
- Water 101 Information
- Participation and Outreach through Ongoing Programs
- Arkansas River Basin Water Forum
- · Funding Series
- · Creek Week Cleanups
- + Fire and Flood Recovery

In order to provide the best possible outreach for the citizens of the Arkansas Basin, the DEPO Workgroup has partnered with the Arkansas River Basin Water Forum (ARBWF). The ARBWF has been serving the educational needs of the Arkansas Basin for 25 years through an annual water forum that is held in a different Arkansas Basin location each year. To learn more about the ARBWF piese use the link below.

To educate water users about the importance of water

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THE ARKANSAS RIVER: FROM LEADVILLE TO LAMAR FACEBOOK

CWCB's Podcast, 3 Birds and a Fish is here!

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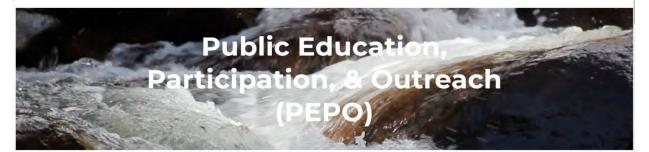
Webisodes

The webisodes below are supplemental videos that dive deeper into topics touched on in the documentary, The Arkansas River: From

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PEPO Workgroup.

Created through the Colorado Water for the 21st Century Act, the Public Education, Participation and Outreach (PEPO) workgroup is responsible for:

- · Creating a process to inform, involve and educate the public on water resources;
- Educating IBCC and Basin Roundtable members about water issues.
- The Arkansas Basin PEPO Workgroup is made up of volunteers representing

agriculture, municipalities, recreation, environment, and education. There are two

PEPO Coordinators one from the Upper Basin and one from the Lower Basin who provide leadership and task management for the PEPO Workgroup. We are led under the direction of the Arkanese Basin Doundtable.