

Metro Roundtable Meeting Summary

Thursday, April 14, 2022

Time: 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Hybrid – Live & Virtual

Members in Attendance:

Alex Davis, Andy Nye, Anne Beierle, Barbara Biggs, Bob Peters, Casey Davenport, Dave Nickum, David Rausch, Dawn Jewell, Devon Buckels, Emily Hunt, Jim Hall, Jessica Brody, Ken Lykens, Kim Gortz, Lauren Pulver, Lesley Sebol, Lisa Darling, Loretta Daniel, Morgan Lynch, Rick Marsicek, Rick McCloud, Shaden Musleh, Susan Nedell, Tom Arnold

Guests:

Greg Johnson, Cynthia Lane, Joe Prinster, Rachel Pence, Croan, Lauren Berent-Burgess, Cynthia Lane, Joe Prinster, Roy Heald, Juan Roberto, Andy Schultheiss, Brad Paterson, Eric Jorgensen, Mallory Hiss

CWCB:

Russ Sands, Sam Stein, Kat Weismiller, Diane Kielty

Metro Roundtable Business Meeting

1. Welcome/Introductions (1 min.)

2. Approval of March 10, 2022 Meeting Summary (1 min.) (*Attachment 1*)

It was moved by Bob Peters to approve the March 10, 2022, MRT Meeting Summary as presented and seconded by Emily Hunt; motion carried unanimously.

3. Agenda: additions or changes (1 min.)

4. Public Comment (5 min.)

5. South Platte River Video: A River Built by Use (C. Davenport) (15 min.)

1. <https://vimeo.com/654954080/1691291801>

The video was well-received.

6. WSRF Committee (S. Borgers) (5 min.) (*Attachment 2*)

1. WSRF initial proposals status. Two applications were received, but both were withdrawn.

7. BIP Implementation: WSRF Strategic Planning (S. Borgers & B. Peters) (30 min.)

1. M&I Committee WSRF process review and discussion. The presentation provided a project development and funding process map. Information is in the technical update and 1051 reports that can be mined to develop scopes and reveal efficiency targets for different locations within the basin. There may be opportunities to target plans for future landscapes based on anticipated climate scenarios. The review process concept was introduced to the SPBRT, and the members were supportive of this approach.

8. CWCB Update (Sam Stein) (5 min.)

The Water Plan is being drafted for a 90-day public comment period starting June 30th. The 1051 Data Base is undergoing maintenance and moving to a new platform. September 1st is the target date for the transition to be complete. The next PEPO and WSRF submission date is June 1st. The next IBCC meeting is on June 30th in Frisco. They will be presenting a work plan. The CWCB board meeting was on March 14th – 15th. One idea generated is a drought/water resiliency toolkit. There will be a workshop about the toolkit idea at the next CWCB meeting on May 17th – 18th in Breckenridge. There will be a July board meeting on the 20th – 21st. The July location is TBD.

9. IBCC Update (Lisa Darling/Rick Marsicek) (5 min.)

The subcommittee discussed with Director Gibbs developing a work plan for the group. A broad outline was generated with ideas including IBCC as a conduit for financial opportunities, providing drought information, and supporting drought and forest health planning. What does the RT want to see as an outcome of this process? The outline introduced was drafted based on feedback from the RT survey conducted a few months ago. The next step will be a high-level scenario on what IBCC identifies activities that will support advancing projects.

10. Committee Updates (15 min.) (Due to the length of today's meeting, please contact the committee lead should you have questions.)

The form to complete to announce subcommittee meetings publicly is at this link, <https://coloradowatershedassembly.wufoo.com/forms/z3dyn480tvpxro/>

1. PEPO Committee (C. Davenport) (5 min.) **Casey will submit a written report.** A full-day Chatfield tour will take place on August 3rd. The Colorado Watershed Assembly would like to ask for approval to continue to serve as the PEPO liaison. CWA will come to the May meeting with an Education Action Plan.
2. Environmental/Recreation Committee (D. Nickum) (5 min.) The E&R Committee is developing a matrix to generate ideas to feed into the process under development by the M&I Committee. The committee will be hearing about the Stream Management Planning and Integrated Watershed management Planning across the State on the 4th Wednesday of the month from 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm. They are currently meeting virtually.
3. M&I Committee (B. Peters) (5 min.) A large portion of the BIP is on Forest Health which falls under the E&R category. It could overwhelm E&R. Would it be helpful to create a separate Forest Health Committee? E&R may help with facilitation or make the Forest Health groups aware that there is money under E&R for Forest Health type projects.

11. Round Table Member Comments (5 min.)

- MRT has three voting member open positions, Recreation representative and two At-large, to be filled at the May MRT Annual Meeting. The announcement is on the [South Platte Basin Website](#).

13. Meeting Schedule

1. [South Platte Basin Roundtable Meeting](#) – Tuesday, April 12th, 2022, 4:00 pm, **Virtual**
2. [Metro Roundtable Meeting](#) – Thursday, April 14th, 2022, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm, **Hybrid – Zoom Virtual & Denver Water, Between 12th and 13th on Shoshone, Denver, CO 80204. Directions will be provided before the meeting.**
3. [South Platte Basin Roundtable Meeting](#) – Tuesday, May 10th, 2022, 4:00 pm, **Virtual**
4. [Metro Roundtable Meeting](#) – Thursday, May 12th, 2022, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm, **TBD.**

MRT 2022 Presentation Topics

- **May** - Front Range Stream Management Plan/Integrated Watershed Management Plan Presentation
- Front Range Roundtable and Forest Health
- Salinity Study Update (Darling)
- Water Reuse Colorado Towns of Bennet and Fountain Presentation
- Wildfire Ready Watersheds - Chris Sturm, CWCB
- Douglas County and Douglas County Wildfire Mitigation Program's
- Aurora Speaker to discuss Turf Ordinance