

Interbasin Compact Committee Meeting Summary Minutes

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 25, 2022

1	Welcome and Meeting Logistics
	Dan Gibbs, IBCC Chair called the meeting to order. Kat Weismiller, CWCB Water Supply Planning Deputy Section Chief, noted that a quorum was established, requested and received permission to record the meeting, and requested and received approval for the meeting agenda and previous meeting minutes.
2	Director's Welcome
	IBCC Chair Gibbs welcomed members of the IBCC to the Headwaters Center in Winter Park, CO. Dan introduced Headwaters center Executive Director, Holli Riebel, to give an overview of the space and the work being done at the center. Dan also introduced the newest member of IBCC, Ernest House Jr. a Governor Appointee to the committee. Dan also provided some highlights from the last IBCC meeting, and some local project examples that illustrate the collaborative nature of IBCC.
3	Colorado River Update
	CWCB Interstate and Federal Information Section Chief Amy Ostdiek provided updates on Colorado River Issues. The update focused on the Upper Basin's Five Point Plan which was issued in July of 2022, and a review of consumptive use metrics in both the upper and lower basins.
4	Basin Updates
	Basin roundtable representatives provided updates about ongoing work in their basin. This was followed by updates from gubernatorial appointees to the IBCC.
5	Topical Updates
	<p>Federal and State Funding - Nate Pearson, Department of Natural Resources Staff, discussed HB22-1379 the Wildfire Prevention Watershed Restoration Funding and the \$5 million allocated to CWCB to assist entities in applying for Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) funds.</p> <p>Lauren Ris, CWCB Deputy Director, discussed the 4 regional coordinators that CWCB is hiring to assist with Water Plan Grant opportunities. Lauren also provided information on CWCB's search for a contractor tied to HB22-1379 funding for capacity building.</p>

6	Panel Discussion on Capacity Building Solutions
	Greg Peterson (CAWA), Carol Ekarius (ARWC), and Heather Dutton (SLVWCD) presented some of the work being done in their basins or across the state that help build capacity for organizations. The panel spoke about challenges faced by small organizations and how they overcome those barriers through collaboration.
7	Work Plan Subcommittee and PEPO Report
	Lisa Darling (Metro BRT) and Aaron Citron updated IBCC on the Work Plan subcommittee and PEPO subcommittee. Lisa asked IBCC members to reflect on the IBCC workplan and the IBCC charter. She asked IBCC members what the conversation IBCC should be having about the committee's work plan. IBCC members talked about IBCC providing a space to work across basins and understand what is happening in each basin beyond the updates provided at IBCC meetings. They described wanting to allow basins to talk about what is working and what is not in their basin. IBCC was framed as a place to compare notes and best practices across the basins, and provide a more unified view of issues important to IBCC.
8	Discussion Review and Next Steps
	IBCC Chair Gibbs offered closing thoughts, provided an overview of upcoming events, and reviewed the IBCC meeting schedule for 2023. Meetings will be scheduled for February 15, June 8, and October 17, 2023. Dan also reminded IBCC members of the challenge he issued at the June IBCC meeting, to try and advance one project in their basin. He also thanked the Headwaters Center for hosting the day's meeting.
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