IBCC MEETING February 15, 2023

Denver



COLORADO

Colorado Water Conservation Board

Department of Natural Resources

MEETING

CONFIRM RECORDING

CONFIRM QUORUM APPROVAL OF MINUTES

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

AGENDA

10:00 Welcome and Meeting Logistics (Russ Sands; Jeff Rodriguez) 10:05 Director's Welcome (Dan Gibbs) 10:15 Colorado River Update (Amy Ostdiek) 10:45 Basin Updates (IBCC Member Reports) Panel Discussion on Advancements in Funding & Capacity (Mauss, Pearson, Romero-Heaney) 11:40 12:00 Lunch 12:45 Outdoor Water Conservation Efforts (Russ Sands) IBCC Planning, PEPO & Statewide Discussion (Russ Sands, Lisa Darling and Open Conversation) 12:50 1:55 Final Thoughts (Dan Gibbs) Adjourn 2:00

DIRECTOR'S

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COLORADO RIVER UPDATES



February 15, 2023



Colorado River Updates

Amy Ostdiek

Section Chief Interstate, Federal, and Water Information Section



Upper Basin 5-Point plan

System Conservation Pilot Program

- Temporary, voluntary, compensated reductions in consumptive use across the Upper Basin
- Application period currently open through March 1 at www.ucrcommission.com

2023 Drought Response Operations Plan

- Potential reservoir releases from Flaming Gorge, Navajo, and Blue Mesa reservoirs
- Ongoing discussions about accounting and effectiveness analysis

Demand Management Feasibility Investigation

- Temporary, voluntary, compensated reductions in consumptive use, shepherding to Powell
- Investigation ongoing with UCRC reports recently released

Bipartisan Infrastructure Funding

- Use of bipartisan infrastructure law funds
- Enhanced measurement, monitoring, reporting

Strict Water Rights Administration

- Administer water rights pursuant to legal and physical availability
- Intrastate conservation efforts



6-State Consensus-Based Modeling Approach

Upper Basin Components

- Recognition of hydrologic shortages
- Additional voluntary conservation measures through System Conservation Pilot Program, other efforts approved by Upper Division States
- Consideration of additional releases from Upper Basin reservoirs, pursuant to all provisions of the Drought Response Operations Agreement
- Constrained release tiers (i.e. no balancing)
- Reduced releases as necessary to protect

Lower Basin Components

- Reductions in Lower Basin deliveries of
 1.54 MAF/year to address evaporation and losses
- Additional Lower Basin reductions at Mead <1050' and <1030'
- Additional reductions as necessary to protect Mead elevation 1000'



Next Steps

- Ongoing implementation of Five-Point Plan, including System Conservation Pilot Program
- Continued discussions with Basin States, Tribal Nations, water users, and others
- Reclamation to analyze options in a Draft Environmental Impact
 Statement to be released in the coming months



Thank You

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BASIN UPDATES

IBCC Member Reports





Y/W/G IBCC Update - 2/15/23

PEPO Committee

- YWG Youth Outreach Yampatika; Other Canopies
- Statewide Concepts of Interest
 - 1) capacity building educational hub
 - 2) universal round table handbook
 - 3) Cross basin videos/story maps
 - 4) translation of most used PEPO resources
 - 5) PEPO education/outreach materials
 - 6) state, water, plan messaging campaign



Y/W/G IBCC Update - 2/15/23

Grants Committee

- Exploring a more robust process
 - More grant writing/technical support
 - More follow up, accountability
 - Showcase completed project successes

Big River Committee

- Published Draft Position Paper
 - Reviewed with Metro RT
 - Scheduled Discussion with Gunnison RT

FUNDING

Panel Discussion on Advancements in Funding & Capacity

Anna Mauss Nate Pearson Kelly Romero-Heaney

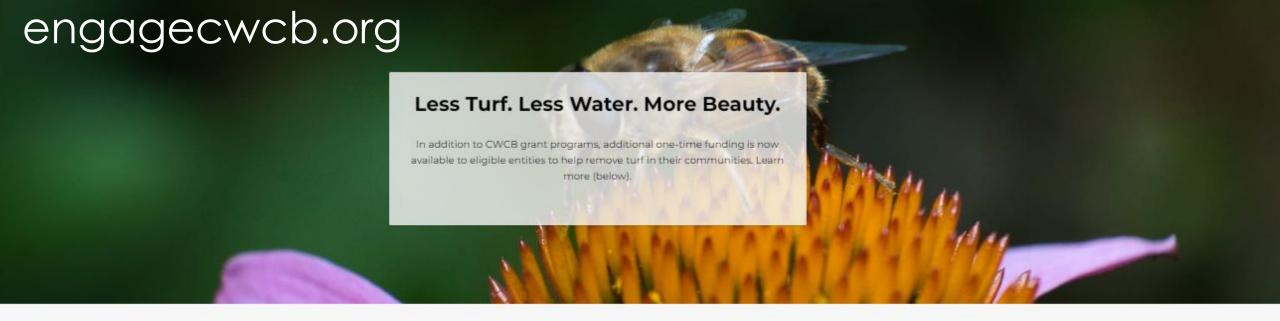


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OUTDOOR WATER

Conservation Efforts





Featured Projects

January 25, 2023

Turf Basics

Learn more about how to remove turf, what to replace it with and find resources to help.

Learn More



January 25, 2023

Replacement Program

CWCB is rolling out the 1st round of Turf Replacement Program funds, Apply by March 31, 2023.

Learn More



January 25, 2023

TLC Challenge

Give some TLC to a shared space in your community! Challenge runs through March 1, 2023.

Learn More



October 13, 2022

Landscape Summit

CWCB's summit and exploratory analysis discusses water savings from Colorado turf removal.

Learn More



IBCC PLANNING

PEPO & STATEWIDE DISCUSSION

Lisa Darling Russ Sands





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