



SPBRT Roundtable Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, July 9, 2024

Time: 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Roundtable Voting Members in Attendance: Adams Gates, Brent Schantz, Cory Deangelis, Dan Gallen, Darren Beck, Daylen Figgs, Deb Daniel, Garrett Varra, Gene Manuello, Greg Larson, Jim Hall, Jim Yahn, John Kolanz, Joe Frank, Julia Gallucci, Kirk Vincent, Leland Gerk, Lisa Leben, Lynda James, Randy Ray, Scott Griebing, Sean Chambers, Stephen Larson

Roundtable Non-voting Members in Attendance: Casey Davenhill, Sean Cronin, Pat Wells, Don Baggus

Guests: Kevin Ross, Dawn Jewell, Lauren Hix, Mark Chilson, Miles Daly, Sarah Paschal, Nathan Boyer-Rechlin, Sean Flanagan, Gary Barber, Toni Ceil, Mike Welsh

CWCB: Russ Sands, Brad Wind, Emily Zmak, Jeff Rodriguez, Jackie Daoust, Diane Kielty

1. Welcome/Introductions (Sean Chambers - 5 min.)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sean Chambers at 4:17 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda: (Sean Chambers - 5 min.)

It was moved by Scott Griebing to approve the agenda with a correction to the location of the August Open House. It was seconded by Jim Yahn. Approved by acclamation.

3. Approval of [SPBRT Meeting Summary June 11, 2024](#) (Sean Chambers - 2 min.)

It was moved by Kirk Vincent to approve the June 11, 2024, SPBRT Meeting Summary as presented. It was seconded by Scott Griebing. The motion carried.

4. Public Comment (3 min.) – Gary Barber is stepping up to serve as the El Paso County Representative and will initiate the process for selection.

5. WSRF (Garrett Varra - 25 min.)

1. WSRF Update and SPBRT Funds Status CWCB Basin Account Funds

Garrett Varra suggested waiting on the below two discussions until the committee meets to develop recommendations to bring to the membership. The members agreed with this course.

1. Deferred maintenance – aging infrastructure
2. Colorado Water Plan Letter of Support process

6. SPBRT Recorder Position Opening (Sean Chambers) (10 min.) – The SPBRT is in need of a Recorder. It was recommended the members reach out to their networks. The job description will be posted on the SPB website and distributed to the members to share. This is a paid position.

7. SPBRT Membership Solicitation for Vacant and Inactive Seats and Meeting Locations (Sean Chambers) (10 min.)

There are a number of vacant or inactive seats. There is a policy to remove and replace inactive seats.

1. August 13th South Platte Basin Roundtable Open House Meeting
 - i. Platte River Fort outside of Greeley - [Platte River Fort – Where Everything Happens](#). There will be food and beverages. An agenda is under development. It will be an informative agenda built on the Water for the 21st Century Act. Insights on Interstate Compacts will be included on the agenda. There will be a sign-up form for those planning to attend.

- ii. RT members are encouraged to bring a plus one who may have an interest in participating on the RT.
- 2. Greg Larsen is the new Logan County representative.
- 3. Dawn Jewell plans to submit an application for the open Arapahoe County municipal seat. She is working on outreach to the multiple organizations needed for representation approval.

Action: Upload current SPBRT roster onto the SPB website and send copy to Jeff Rodriguez.

8. Committee Updates (15 min.) [Roundtable Meeting Records — The South Platte Basin](#)

Link to Announce a Meeting Form - [Add a meeting — The South Platte Basin](#)

1. PEPO Committee (Casey Davenport - 5 min.) (No Summary) There was a meeting with PEPO liaisons from around the state to engage the CWCB. Strategic by Nature has been hired to conduct interviews with the PEPO liaisons and CWCB representatives. This is an effort by the State to provide a network and materials to distribute. The survey tended toward water education. SPBRT and MRT has been comfortable focusing on the South Platte Basin Implementation Plan and alternative use information. PEPO continues to distribute materials coming from CWCB and water education outlets using the network of many partnerships. It has been a priority of SPBRT/MRT PEPO to encourage people to come forward with proposals for the WSRF grants.
2. Environmental/Recreation Committee (Larry Rogstad – 5 min.) (No Summary) The E&R Committee is poised and ready to begin holding meetings again.
3. M&I Committee (Jim Hall – 5 min.) (No Summary) The Committee met and is continuing to select projects associated with the BIP. A survey is going to be distributed to the Committee for prioritizing a project selection list. Once a list has been compiled they will bring it to the larger membership. The next meeting will be in August. More information on the upcoming meeting is at the below link.
 1. [M&I Committee Meeting August 23rd](#)

9. IBCC Update (Jim Yahn & Sean Cronin - 30 Min.) ([Link to IBCC Webpage](#))

At the IBCC there was a Shoshone Water Rights presentation discussing the benefits to all communities. There was a request to have the Shoshone presentation at the SPBRT. A legislative update was provided and followed by presentations from the tribes in the area. There is an opportunity for the SPBRT to bring ideas to help jump start the IBCC conversation and have a broader basin to basin conversation for general consensus.

The Drought Resilience Action Plan was discussed. IBCC is modernizing its 2013 No & Low Regrets action plan. The SPBRT members were sent a request to provide input on action area goals and potential actions regarding No/Low Regrets around the areas of Resilient Planning, Vibrant Communities, Robust Agriculture, and Thriving Watersheds. Some of the things in the first Water Plan CWCB did not have the authority to address. When the RTs were put together, it put agriculture, municipal, industrial, education interests all in the same room talking with each other. Concern was expressed that the role of the RTs will be diminished through fragmentation. The presentation is available by request.

Notes on the No/Low Regrets Action Plan discussion were taken by Scott Griebing. A subcommittee will form, with IBCC member representative participation, to refine the concepts that were developed during this meeting. The subcommittee will present the refined concepts at the September SPBRT meeting. Two informal meeting meetings are scheduled. One at 10:00 am on August 2nd and the second on August 23rd at 10:30 am. Information about these meetings will be made available on the SPB website events/meeting space on the home landing page.

10. CWCB Update (25 min.)

CWCB Staff Report (Jeff Rodriguez – 10 min.) – Register early for the C9 Summit. CWCB has a reimbursement option for ten RT members from each RT for lodging and milage. Contact Jeff Rodriguez for more information. Register for the C9 Summit Today: <https://engagecwcb.org/c9-summit>. There will be tours to sign up for during the Summit.

Thursday's 7/11 CO River Webinar Canceled. Next webinar is tentatively scheduled for 8/8. Visit the CWCB Calendar for more info and webinar link.

Water Plan Grant Cycle 1: 41 applications for \$11.6M. <https://cwcb.colorado.gov/funding/colorado-water-plan-grants>

Read and comment on the CWCB Guide on EngageCWCB.org. <https://engagecwcb.org/cwcb-guide>

Still accepting applications for the Wildfire Ready Watersheds and Technical Assistance programs.
Wildfire Ready Watersheds: <https://www.wildfirereadywatersheds.com/>. Questions/interest contact Steve Reeves (steven.reeves@state.co.us)

Federal Technical Assistance and Local Capacity Grants:

Questions/interest contact Michael Regan (michael.regan@state.co.us)

1. Director Wind Update (15 min.) – Director Wind attended a meeting in Walden that included a tour of a Northern Water project. He continues to get up to speed on CWCB briefs. He is hearing more about One Water. It appears myopic and may be shortsighted and worth further consideration.

11. Member Updates (10 min.) None

12. Upcoming Public Meetings Schedule – See CWCB's [Online Calendar](#) and [EngageCWCB.org](https://engagecwcb.org)