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## January 26 & 27, 2026 Board Meeting Agenda

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A meeting of the CWCB will be held on Monday, January 26, 2026 commencing at 9:00 AM and continuing through Tuesday, January 27, 2026. The meeting will be held at the Hyatt Regency Aurora-Denver Conference Center 13200 East 14<sup>th</sup> Place Aurora 80011 and virtually on Zoom.

The CWCB posts notice 30 days in advance of each regularly scheduled meeting. Notices for special meetings are posted on the website typically within five business days and not less than 24 hours of such a meeting. Notices of regular and special meetings may also be received by email. To receive notices by email please visit: <https://dwr.state.co.us/Portal/Login/>.

Although dates and times are indicated in this notice and in the following agenda, the CWCB may address and take action on noticed items in any order. Any item scheduled for the regular agenda may be discussed in executive session if legal questions arise as authorized under § 24-6-402, C.R.S. Any known changes to the agenda will be announced at the beginning of the meeting. This notice, any late notice(s) of additional items, and briefing memos prepared for the CWCB will be on our website at <https://cwcb.colorado.gov/>.

The CWCB's meetings are made available through live audio streaming on YouTube, although Board workshops are not. To listen to the proceedings, click the "Listen to the meeting LIVE!" link on the CWCB website homepage and select the link for the proper day and time. The link will be posted just prior to the start of the meeting.

The CWCB encourages citizens to express their views and provide feedback to the Board on the agenda items. This can be done by sending an email to [viola.bralish@state.co.us](mailto:viola.bralish@state.co.us) by sending a letter to a Board member or to the Chair of the Board, or by attending the meeting. If you want to make a public comment during the meeting you must fill out a [comment sheet](#) prior to the meeting date and email it to the [Board Coordinator](#). The Board will appreciate hearing your views when it reaches that agenda item. If you have a public comment that does apply to one of the agenda items there is time on the agenda at the end of the second day of the meeting. If you have any questions, need special accommodations as a result of a disability, or require further information on any CWCB activity, please contact [Viola Bralish](#) at 303-866-3441, ext. 3206. All programs, services, and activities of the CWCB are operated in compliance with the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).



<b><u>Monday, January 26, 2026</u></b>	
9:00-9:02	<b>CWCB Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance</b>
9:02-9:05	<b>1. Review and Approve Agenda</b>
9:05-9:08	<b>2. Review and Approve November 2025 Board Meeting Minutes</b>
9:08-9:15	<b>3. Approve and/or Remove Consent Agenda Items</b>
	<p><b><u>2026 CWCB Board Meeting Dates &amp; Potential Locations</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. March 18 &amp; 19 - Virtual</li> <li>b. May 20 &amp; 21 - DTC</li> <li>c. July 15 &amp; 16 - Gunnison Basin</li> <li>d. September 16 &amp; 17 - Colorado Basin, Finance Committee September 15</li> <li>e. November 18 &amp; 19 - Denver Metro Area</li> </ul>
9:15-10:45	<p><b>4. Directors' Reports</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. DNR Executive Director</li> <li>b. CWCB Director</li> <li>c. IBCC Director</li> <li>d. Agriculture Commissioner</li> <li>e. State Engineer</li> <li>f. Division of Parks and Wildlife Director</li> <li>g. Water Resource and Power Development Authority</li> </ul>
10:45-11:00	<b>Morning Break</b>
11:00-11:10	<p><b>5. Financial Matters - Construction Fund and Severance Tax Perpetual Base Fund</b></p> <p><i>Finance Section</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Financial Projections and Cash Management Report</li> </ul>
11:10-11:20	<p><b>6. Water Project Loan</b></p> <p><i>Finance Section</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Silt Water Conservancy District - Harvey Gap Reservoir Spillway and Outlet Rehabilitation</li> </ul>

11:20-11:45	<b>7. CWCB Loan Program - Construction Projects Presentation</b> <i>Finance Section</i>
11:45-12:00	<b>8. 2026 Projects Bill</b> <i>Finance Section</i>
12:00-12:05	<b>9. Water Supply Reserve Fund Applications 2025</b> <b>Grants Section</b>  a. <b>Basin - Arkansas</b> <b>Applicant - City Of Victor</b> <b>Name of Water Activity - Replacement of Raw Water Transmission</b> Main from Bison Park (Reservoir #1) to County Road 81  b. <b>Basin - Arkansas</b> <b>Applicant - Huerfano County Water Conservancy District</b> <b>Name of Water Activity - SMAF Reservoir Ballast Repairs</b>
12:05-1:05	<b>LUNCH</b>
1:05-1:10	<b>10. Attorney General's Report, Legal Briefing, and Executive Session</b>
1:10-1:40	<b>11. Executive Session</b> a. Colorado River Post-2026 Negotiations
1:40-1:45	<b>12. Report from Executive Session</b>
1:45-2:15	<b>13. Colorado River Updates</b> <i>Interstate, Federal, and Water Information Section</i>
2:15-2:25	<b>14. Species Conservation Trust Fund</b> <i>Interstate, Federal, and Water Information Section</i>
2:25-3:05	<b>15. Bear Creek Reallocation Update</b> <i>Interstate, Federal, and Water Information Section</i>
3:05-3:20	<b>Afternoon Break</b>
3:20-4:05	<b>16. Informational Update - Agriculture Water Protection Water Right (AG PWR) Criteria &amp; Guidelines</b> <i>Water Supply Planning Section</i>
4:05-4:45	<b>17. Colorado Watershed Restoration Program Grant Guidelines</b> <i>Watershed and Flood Protection Section</i>
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## Tuesday, January 27, 2026

8:30 - 10:00	<b>18. Basin Directors' Reports</b>  a. City and County of Denver Director's Report b. Rio Grande River Basin Director's Report c. Yampa-White River Basin Director's Report d. Colorado River (Mainstem) Basin Director's Report e. San Juan/San Miguel-Dolores River Basin Director's Report f. Gunnison River Basin Director's Report g. North Platte River Basin Director's Report h. South Platte River Basin Director's Report i. Arkansas River Basin Director's Report
10:00- 10:15	<b>Morning Break</b>
10:15- 10:30	<b>19. Informational Update - Colorado Water Plan Progress</b> <i>Water Supply Planning Section</i>
10:30- 10:45	<b>20. Operational Planning Update</b> <i>Anna Mauss</i>
10:45- 11:35	<b>21. Instream Flow Appropriations</b> <i>Stream and Lake Protection Section</i>  a. Form Intent on 2026 New Appropriations, Water Divisions 1, 2, 6, and 7 b. Final Action on Uncontested New Appropriations: Vermillion Creek, Water Division 6 c. Final Action on Contested Appropriations: Milk Creek, Water Division 6
11:35- 11:45	<b>22. Instream Flow Acquisitions</b> <i>Stream and Lake Protection Section</i>  a. Poudre Flows Streamflow Augmentation Plan
11:45- 11:55	<b>Public Comment</b>
11:55	<b>ADJOURN</b>

## **CWCB Consent Agenda January 26 - 27, 2026**

Matters may be placed on the Consent Agenda when the recommended action follows established policy or precedent, there has been a negotiated settlement, or the matter is uncontested and non-controversial. Staff provides memos to CWCB members explaining the matters on the Consent Agenda. Matters on the Consent Agenda are noticed for hearing in the same manner as other agenda items. If a member of the CWCB requests further consideration of an item on the Consent Agenda, the item will be withdrawn from the Consent Agenda and discussed during the meeting or at the next meeting, with action taken after discussion of the item. If a member of the CWCB requests further consideration of an item on the Consent Agenda that pertains to a pending or imminent court action, the matter will be withdrawn from the Consent Agenda and may be discussed during executive session of the same meeting, and any action on that item will be taken in public session. The Consent Agenda may be voted on without reading or discussing individual items. Any CWCB member may request clarification about any matter on the Consent Agenda.

### **1. Statements of Opposition**

#### *Stream & Lake Protection Section*

*Staff recommends the Board ratify CWCB's filing of the following Statements of Opposition:*

- a. Case No. 25CW3161 (Water Division 5): Application of Town of Silverthorne
- b. Case No. 25CW3173 (Water Division 5): Application of Lichen Huts Colorado LLC

### **2. Flood Plain Designations**

#### *Watershed and Flood Protection Section*

- a. "Flood Insurance Study, Eagle County, Colorado, and Incorporated Areas", by FEMA, dated January 9, 2026