

# 6Metro Roundtable Meeting Summary

Thursday, August 11, 2022

**New Start Time**  
**2:00 pm – 4:00 pm**

## Members in Attendance:

Alex Davis, Andy Nye, Anne Beierle, Barbara Biggs, Blair Corning, Bob Peters, Casey Davenport, Cortney Brand, Chris Douglass, Cynthia Lane, David Rausch, David Nickum, Dawn Jewell, Devon Buckels, David Kamin, Emily Hunt, Jessica Brody, Jim Hall, Julie Tinetti, Kim Gortz, Lesley Sebol, Lisa Darling, Morgan Lynch, Rick McCloud, Sarah Borgers, Sarah Klahn, Shaden Musleh, Susan Nedell, Tom Arnold

## Guests:

Jerod Henrickson, Rebeun Tejada, Caroline Koch, Dave Jula, Natalie Collar, Walter Sharp, Lily Vagelatos, Brent Soderlin, David Riordon, Will Koger, Victoria Arling, Brennan Sullivan, Jesse Birsinger, Lauren Burgess, Tyler Benton, Robert Sakada

## CWCB:

Russ Sand, Jeff Rodriguez, Kat Weismiller, Diane Kieilty

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## **Metro Roundtable Business Meeting**

### **1. Welcome/Introductions (1 min.)**

### **2. Approval of July 14, 2022 Meeting Summary (1 min.)**

It was moved to approve the July 14, 2022 MRT Meeting Summary with the addition of a description of HB-1051; approved by acclamation.

### **3. Agenda: additions or changes (1 min.) None**

### **4. Public Comment (5 min.)**

Robert Sakada recently attended the Rio Grande Basin RT meeting. They have concerns with a H.B. 5118 Wildfire Response and Drought Resiliency Act title VIII. Section 800 that has to do with the Rio Grande River and could have detrimental effects. Please look at this section.

<https://www.congress.gov/bill/117th-congress/house-bill/5118/text>

David Riordon with Colorado River Surfing Association attended a discussion on the Water Plan. His organization is considering working with the Greenway Foundation to pursue a grant to create a task force to address river flow and use matters. Asked for RT feedback on this idea. MRT would need to check the BIP. Riordon expressed concern with the Army Corp. information on gate changes in the water that is sent through their Listserv. CO River Surfing Association asked Army Corp. if the information could be made public. The response was that the information is “need to know only.” There is not an Army Corp. representative on the MRT.

Jarod Henrickson was in attendance. He is a third-generation farmer with 1300 acres in Weld County. He came recommended to serve as the new MRT Ag Representative. This is a Statutory seat. Only statutory members can vote on this position.

A motion was made to approve Jarod Henrickson to fill the open Ag Representative seat by Lisa Darling and second by Emily Hunt; motion approved unanimously.

### **5. WSRF Committee (B. Peters) (5 min.) (*Attachment 2*) No report.**

### **6. Platte Valley Water Partnership (Rebecca Tejada & Jim Yahn) (40 min.)**

Presented on Phase 1 and the full schedule of the Parker Water Long Term Water Supply Plan. Presentation available by request.

### **7. HB22-1151: Financing Alternatives for Removal of Non-Essential Turf (Caroline Koch & Victoria Arling, WaterNow Alliance) (30 Min.)**

Provided an overview with key takeaways on Turf Program implementation and financing mechanisms for large-scale turf replacements. Presentation available by request.

WRA <https://westernresourceadvocates.org/publications/financing-the-future-how-to-pay-for-turf-replacement-in-colorado/>

WNA <https://tapin.waternow.org/resources/financing-the-future-how-to-pay-for-turf-replacement/>

**8. Colorado Water Plan Update (Russ Sand & Matt Lindberg) (30 min.)**

Comment period ends on September 30<sup>th</sup>. Final target is January 2023. There are two more listening sessions on September 1<sup>st</sup> and September 28<sup>th</sup>. Presentation available by request. For more information on the Draft Colorado Water Plan and to submit a comment or share your water story visit: <https://engagecwcb.org/colorado-water-plan>

**9. CWCB Update (Jeff Rodriguez) (5 min.)**

- Four new CWCB Regional Coordinators will be hired to begin in the fall.
- HB05-1051 Municipal Water Use & Conservation Reporting Data Base and grants and loans portal training is live.
- There is a new CWCB contact for event space and food requests, Vivian Pannelli.
- CWCB is prepared to provide some AV support to the BRTs.

**10. IBCC Update (L. Darling) (5 min.)** No report

**11. Committee Updates (0 min.)** (Due to the length of today's meeting, please contact the committee lead should you have questions.)

1. PEPO Committee (C. Davenhill) (0 min.) ([PEPO Edu Comm 7.28.22 Summary](#)) Casey Davenhill will send Grass Tour information to the Recorder to be distributed.
2. Environmental/Recreation Committee (D. Nickum) (0 min.) ([7.27.2022 Meeting Summary](#)) There is an offer from the CO Forest Health Council to have a RT liaison. David Nickum will follow up with an invitation.
3. M&I Committee (B. Peters) (0 min.) ([No Link](#))
4. Link to SPB/Metro Meeting Records - [Roundtable Meeting Records — The South Platte Basin](#)

**12. Round Table Member Comments (5 min.)**

A Mini-tour tour is still available for MRT from the WEco Water 2022 budget. WEco was given suggestions and will come back to MRT with a plan.

**13. Meeting Schedule**

1. [South Platte Basin Roundtable Meeting](#) – Tuesday, August 9th, 2022, 4:00 pm, **Virtual (Hybrid?)**
2. [Metro Roundtable Meeting](#) – Thursday, August 11th, 2022, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm, **Hybrid – Zoom Virtual & Denver Water, [Directions to Administration Building | Denver Water](#)**
1. [Metro Roundtable Meeting](#) – Thursday, September 8th, 2022, 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm, **Hybrid – Zoom Virtual & Denver Water, [Directions to Administration Building | Denver Water](#)**
2. [South Platte Basin Roundtable Meeting](#) – Tuesday, September 13th, 2022, 4:00 pm, **Virtual (Hybrid?)**