# **Metro Roundtable Meeting Summary**

Thursday, October 13, 2022

# New Start Time 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

## Members in Attendance:

Alex Davis, Andy Nye, Anne Beierle, Barbara Biggs, Bob Peters, Cortney Brand, Cynthia Lane, David Kamin, Dave Nickum, Dawn Jewell, Devon Buckels, Emily Hunt, Jerod Henrickson, Jessica Brody, Jim Hall, Juliana Archuleta, Julie Tinetti, Lauren Pulver, Lisa Darling, Loretta Daniel, Morgan Lynch, Randall Navarro, Rick Marsicek, Rick McLoud, Sarah Klahn, Shaden Musleh, Tom Arnold

#### **Guests:**

Anthony Cline, Angie Grunder, Lucy Harrington, Lauren Berent Burgess Taylor Winchell, Renee Lewis, Jeff Wong, Jamie Krezelok, James Welch, Brad Paterson, Alan Pfister

# **CWCB:**

Jeff Rodriguez, Diane Kielty

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# **Metro Roundtable Business Meeting**

- 1. Welcome/Introductions (1 min.)
- 2. Approval of September 8, 2022, Meeting Summary (1 min.) (*Link to Summary*)

  It was moved to approve the September 8, 2022, MRT Meeting Summary. Approved by acclamation.
- Agenda: additions or changes (1 min.) None.
- 4. Public Comment (5 min.)

None.

- 5. WSRF Committee (B. Peters) (35 min.)
  - 1. 2022 Cycle 2 Six Proposals
    - i. Agditch Loch Lomand and Fall River Reservoir, Anthony Cline
    - ii. <u>Denver Water Inaugural Airborne Snow Observatories Surveys</u>, Taylor Winchell
    - iii. Ken Caryl West Ranch Water District Engineering and Design, Renee Lewis
    - iv. Lakewood Residential Outdoor Water Conservation, Jeff Wong
    - v. South Metro Regional Aquifer Storage Recovery, Erik Jorgensen
    - vi. South Metro Water Ambassador Program, Angie Grunder

The WSRF committee reviewed all proposals and recommended they all advance to submit a full application. The MRT application process was explained. Each proponent made a five-minute presentation and fielded questions from the membership. The MRT membership showed support for all six proposals. Applicants are asked to have full applications submitted by October 28<sup>th</sup>. Final approval by MRT will be at the November MRT meeting.

- 6. Colorado Water Plan (B. Biggs) (15 min.)
  - Big Dry Creek Drainage Project Request Letter of Support (Andrew Hawthorn, City of Westminster) (5 min.)
  - 2. <u>CUSP Lake George Diversion Structure Removal</u> Request Letter of Support (John Geerdes, Coalition for the Upper South Platte)

Delay action to November MRT meeting.

# 7. Basin Implementation Plan Discussion (B. Peters) (40 min.)

Presented on the process for roundtable selected projects to address specific BIP identified needs. Discussed three recommended projects proposed by the M&I committee. A draft schedule and tasks were provided. A request was made for interested parties to volunteer to participate in project scoping committees as Quarter Back or as committee members. Participants do not need to be RT members. Committees, initially, will likely meet a couple of times a month to develop scopes. The importance of having representation from underserved communities was discussed. The PowerPoint presentation will be made available online on the South Platte Basin website.

# 8. CWCB Update (J. Rodriguez) (5 min.)

CWCB is performing final interviews for regional water plan grant staff this week. PEPO has been increased to \$1M. Approximately \$11M in Statewide grant funds are now available. The first Statewide grant deadline is December 1st. Colorado Ag Water Alliance (CAWA) offers capacity grants for ag producers for drought and water conservation. Contact Greg Peterson at coagwater@gmail.com. CAWA will help support the writing of the grant applications. There will be a CWP celebration event on January 24, 2023. The RSVP will be coming. Please save the date. CWCB will be giving out Basin Hero Awards at this event. On Nov. 9th the Colorado Landscape Summit will take place at Metropolitan State University of Denver from 9:00 am – 4:30 pm.

Denver Water will be hosting the CWCB Board Meeting and reception on November 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in being a co-host for this session, please contact Jessica Brody.

#### CAWA Grant Information:

https://www.coagwater.org/drought-resiliency-projects https://engagecwcb.org/agricultural-drought-resiliency

WSRF webpage: https://cwcb.colorado.gov/funding/water-supply-reserve-fund-grants

The Statewide grant requires a match and the new focus for these funds are drought and aging infrastructure. For Statewide eligibility applicants must have 25% match and 10% of the match must come from a RT account.

# 9. IBCC Update (L. Darling) (5 min.)

The next meeting is October 25th at the Headwater Center in Winter Park from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. The agenda is TBD. The next PEPO meeting will be November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

# 10. Committee Updates (15 min.) (Due to the length of today's meeting, please contact the committee lead should you have questions.) Roundtable Meeting Records — The South Platte Basin

- 1. PEPO Committee (C. *Davenhill*) (5 min.) No meeting since the last MRT meeting and no report.
- 2. Environmental/Recreation Committee (*D. Nickum*) (5 min.) No meeting since the last MRT meeting and no report.
- 3. M&I Committee (B. Peters) (5 min.) See above BIP discussion.

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

No comments.

#### 13. Meeting Schedule

- South Platte Basin Roundtable Meeting Tuesday, October 11th, 2022, 4:00 pm, Hybrid – Zoom & Southwest Weld County Building, 4209 Weld County Road 24 1/2, Longmont, CO 80504
- Metro Roundtable Meeting Thursday, October 13th, 2022, 2:00 pm 4:00 pm, Hybrid Zoom Virtual & Denver Water, <u>Directions to Administration Building | Denver Water</u>
- South Platte Basin Roundtable Meeting Tuesday, November 8th, 2022, 4:00 pm, Hybrid – Zoom & Southwest Weld County Building, 4209 Weld County Road 24 1/2, Longmont, CO 80504
- Metro Roundtable Meeting Thursday, November 10th, 2022, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm, Hybrid – Zoom Virtual & Denver Water, <u>Directions to Administration Building | Denver Water</u>

## **MRT 2022 Presentation Topics**

- Front Range Roundtable and Forest Health
- Salinity Study Update (Darling)
- Wildfire Ready Watersheds Chris Sturm, CWCB