



PLATTE RIVER RECOVERY IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM (PRRIP -or- Program)

Governance Committee (GC) Quarterly Meeting – Kearney, NE

Monday, September 18 to Tuesday, September 19, 2023

Kearney Public Library – 2020 1st Avenue, Kearney, NE 68847

Tom Riley, State of Nebraska – 2023 GC Chair

Jason Farnsworth, PRRIP Executive Director (ED) – Moderator

Attendees – Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, Colorado Water Users, Upper Platte Water Users, Downstream Water Users, Environmental Entities, Executive Director’s Office (EDO)

Day #1 – September 18, 2023 (3 hr, 15 min)		CENTRAL TIME START (DURATION)	ITEM LEAD	MEETING DOCUMENTS
LOCAL MEETING TIMES Nebraska: 2:00 PM-5:15 PM Central Time Wyoming: 1:00 PM-4:15 PM Mountain Time Colorado: 1:00 PM-4:15 PM Mountain Time				
#1	WELCOME & ADMINISTRATIVE	Agenda Item Objective: Greetings, roll call, review agenda.		
	Introductions – in-person & virtual attendees	2:00 PM (:05)	Tom Riley	n/a
	Agenda - modifications	2:05 PM (:05)	Tom Riley	00 - GC Agenda
	Minutes – GC MOTION: • Approve June 2023 GC Quarterly Meeting minutes	2:10 PM (:05)	Tom Riley	01 – June 2023 GC Quarterly Meeting Minutes
#2	COMMITTEE UPDATES	Agenda Item Objective: General update on recent work of PRRIP Advisory Committees.		
	Land Advisory Committee (LAC)	2:15 PM (:10)	Cody Wagner	02 – LAC Minutes
	Water Advisory Committee (WAC)		Cory Steinke	03 – WAC Minutes
	Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)		Kara Scheel	04 – TAC Minutes
	Finance Committee (FC)		Brock Merrill	05 – FC Minutes
#3	PRRIP BUDGET	Agenda Item Objective: General update on current status of PRRIP budget & procurement.		
	FY23 Financial Status Report (as of 08/31/2023)	2:25 PM (:05)	Jason Farnsworth	06 – 2023 Financial Status Summary
	FY23 PRRIP Procurement Update	2:30 PM (:05)	Chad Smith	07 – FY23 PRRIP Procurement Table
	GC MOTION: Add Funds to PRRIP Budget Line Item PD-8 and Approve Purchase of Server Upgrade Equipment	2:35 PM (:10)	Jason Farnsworth Justin Brei	08 – Server Upgrade Memo
#4	PRRIP SCIENCE PLAN	Agenda Item Objective: Discuss recent Science Plan implementation activities.		
	Whooping Crane (WC): • GC MOTION: Approve Spring 2023 Monitoring Report (10 min)	2:45 PM (:10)	Jason Bruggeman	09 – Spring 2023 PRRIP WC Monitoring Report



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Piping Plover (PP):			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Summer 2023 plover/tern monitoring update • Eagle mortality and USFWS suggested mitigation options/associated costs 	2:55 PM (:15)	Kaley Keldsen Malinda Henry	n/a
Pallid Sturgeon (PS):			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research projects update (genetics and habitat) • Lower Platte River Modeling project update 	3:10 PM (:15)	Malinda Henry Libby Casavant	n/a
#5	SCIENCE ONBOARDING	Agenda Item Objective: Discuss issues related to the onboarding of science generated outside the Program.	
Summary of TAC discussion and recommendations regarding the Ecotope article		3:25 PM (:30)	Kara Scheel
3:55 PM – Meeting Break (:15)			
#6	PRRIP INDEPENDENT SCIENCE	Agenda Item Objective: Discuss issues related to the Independent Scientific Advisory Committee (ISAC) and Peer Review.	
New ISAC Member appointment – update		4:10 PM (:05)	Chad Smith
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GC MOTION: Approve Peer Review of Wet Meadow Hydrology Report • Update on Wet Meadow Hydrology Report Peer Review Panel 		4:15 PM (:15)	Chad Smith
			11 – PRRIP Wet Meadow Hydrology Report 12 – PRRIP Wet Meadow Hydrology Report Peer Review Scope of Work
#7	PRRIP OUTREACH	Agenda Item Objective: General update on PRRIP outreach activities.	
General PRRIP outreach report		4:30 PM (:05)	Alicia Uribe
2021-2022 PRRIP Biennial Report		4:35 PM (:15)	Alicia Uribe
PRRIP Information & Education Refresh – subcommittee report		4:50 PM (:25)	Alicia Uribe
			n/a
GC MEETING DAY #1 END		5:15 PM	
GC Group Dinner Nebraska Ale Works 115 2nd Ave E Kearney, NE 68847		6:30 PM	



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Introductions – in-person & virtual attendees		9:30 AM (:05)	Tom Riley	n/a
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#9	PRRIP WATER PLAN	Agenda Item Objective: Update on recent Water Plan implementation activities.		
North Platte Chokepoint project update		9:40 AM (:15)	Michelle Martin	13 – Chokepoint Alternatives Memo
Water Milestone Summary		9:55 AM (:10)	Seth Turner	14 – PRRIP Water Milestone Summary
Discussion of long-term water leasing		10:05 AM (:20)	Jason Farnsworth Seth Turner	n/a
GC MOTION: Approve CNPPID Irrigator Lease Agreement Amendment		10:25 AM (:15)	Seth Turner	15 – CNPPID Irrigator Lease Agreement Amendment
#10	PRRIP LAND PLAN	Agenda Item Objective: Update on recent Land Plan implementation activities.		
Land Plan Updates: • Land Milestone Summary • Land Management update		10:40 AM (:20)	Tim Tunnell	16 – PRRIP Land Milestone Summary
#11	PUBLIC COMMENT	Agenda Item Objective: Public comment period on PRRIP activities.		
Opportunity for members of the public to comment on PRRIP activities		11:00 AM (:05)	Tom Riley	n/a
#12	EXECUTIVE SESSION	Agenda Item Objective: GC member discussion of sensitive land, water, and policy items.		
Land issues TBD		11:05 AM (:25)	Tim Tunnell Jason Farnsworth	n/a



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#13	EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTIONS	Agenda Item Objective: GC consideration of motions discussed during Executive Session.		
GC MOTIONS TBD		11:30 AM (:05)	Tom Riley	n/a
#14	GC MEETING REVIEW & WRAP-UP	Agenda Item Objective: Discuss action items, meeting feedback, and upcoming meeting schedule.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action items & meeting feedback <p>Upcoming GC meetings (in-person meetings depend on local and national public health conditions and travel restrictions):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2023 Fall ISAC Meeting: October 10-12, 2023 @ Kearney, NE GC Virtual Special Session on FY2024 Budget & Work Plan: November 8, 2023 10:00 AM-12:00 PM Central Time via Teams December 2023 GC Quarterly Meeting: December 5-6, 2023 @ Loveland, CO 2024 PRRIP Science Plan Reporting Session: February 20-22, 2024 @ Omaha, NE 		11:35 AM (:10)	Tom Riley	n/a
GC MEETING END		11:45 AM		