

FINAL Minutes
Water Advisory Conference Call
June 7, 2007

Attendance:

Dale Strickland, ED
Jerry Kenny
Frank Kwapnioski, NPPD
Jeff Shafer, NPPD
John Altenhofen, Colorado Water Users
Jennifer Schellpeper, NE
Jim Schneider, NE
Jesse Bradley, NE
Duane Woodward, Central Platte NRD
Don Anderson, FWS
Jim Hall, CO
Dennis Strauch, Upper Platte River Water Users
Cory Steinke, CNPPID
Mahonri Williams, BOR
Brian Anderson, BOR
Phil Stump, WY
Kent O. Miller, Twin Platte NRD

The main topics for discussion during the conference call were the election of the Water Advisory Committee (WAC) Chair and discussion of WAC purpose/procedures.

Election of Chair

Dale Strickland conducted an election for Chair of the WAC. Frank Kwapnioski was elected unanimously. Dale immediately turned the meeting over to Frank.

Purpose/Procedures

Dale briefly reviewed the purpose of the WAC. Dale explained that all the advisory committees, including the WAC were to react to requests for review by the Governance Committee through the Executive Director. However, he indicated that the committee could identify other materials/issues they would like to review, either to the ED or their GC representative. Frank requested a list of the material that the WAC was to review. Jennifer reminded the group that the GC indicated at their April meeting that the WAC should review the first annual reports on depletions submitted by Nebraska and Colorado, as specified in their respective Depletions Plans. The WAC is to make a report and recommendations after their review. The ED will provide these reports to the WAC with a request for their review.

Frank asked if the Chair was expected at the GC meetings. Dale indicated that the GC had not determined if a formal committee report was required at their meetings. If a report is requested from the Committee then he should plan to attend. Otherwise the WAC chair can provide information to the GC through the ED.

The group requested that a list of WAC members, Alternates, and contacted information be made a part of these minutes (see blow).

Future Meetings

A call and/or face to face meeting will be selected before the GC's August meeting. Frank will contact the committee and request dates of availability. Frank will decide if the meeting will be a call or face to face after comments are received on the NE and CO reports. The committee agreed to meet in North Platte, NE, if a face to face meeting is required.

Attachment:

Water Advisory Committee

Downstream Water Users: Duane Woodward, Kent Miller, Frank Kwapnioski/Jeff Shafer; Cory Steinke/Mike Drain * Alternates are identified behind the / if there are any.

Upper Platte River Water Users: Dennis Strauch

CO Water Users: John Altenhofen/Alt Joe Frank

State of Colorado: Jim Hall/Alt Ted Kowalski

USFWS: Don Anderson/Alt Mark Butler

State of Wyoming: Phil Stump/Alt. Mike Besson; Mike Purcell

State of Nebraska: J Schellpeper, Jim Schneider, Jesse Bradley, Frank Albrecht

BOR: Mahonri Williams/ Alt. Brian Anderson

Environmental Group: Chad Smith/ Duane Hovorka, Bill Taddicken

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