

WINTER WATER STORAGE PROGRAM
Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees
March 11, 2025

Acting Chair Leann Noga began the Winter Water Trustees virtual meeting at 1:03 p.m. with a roll call for each canal company.

Representatives for the Board of Trustees

Brett Sabbath, Bessemer Ditch; Greg Williams, Catlin Canal; Stacey Sober, Colorado Canal; Curtis Sniff, Fort Lyon Canal; Darren Grap, High Line Canal; Donny Hansen, Holbrook Mutual Irrigation Ditch; Jeff Baylor, Las Animas Canal; Curtis Sniff, Fort Lyon Canal; Josh Reinert, Amity Canal; and Alan Ward, West Pueblo Ditch.

Oxford Ditch and Riverside Dairy Ditch have no representatives present.

Others present: Neil Thompson, Amity Mutal; Jeremy Dutton, Holbrook; Rick Young, High Line Canal; Rex Davis, Fort Lyon Canal Company; Isreal Ortega, City of Aurora; Mike Holmberg, Terry Dawson, Traci Robb and Joe Gomori, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation; Jon Erickson and Rena Griggs, Parks & Wildlife; Kevin Salter, Kansas Department of Ag; Rachell Zancanella, Brady Cole, Jessie Harris, Brian Lenherr, Bethany Arnold, Lonnie Spady, – Division of Water Resources; Dan Burke, Catlin Canal; and David Reay. Leann Noga, Chris Woodka, Michelle Tocyldowski, Gordon Dillon, Peter Levish, Lee Miller, and Margie Medina SECWCD staff.

2025 Winter Water Balance

Leann Noga turned the meeting over to Rachell Zancanella, Division of Water Resources Engineer and Lonnie Spady, River Operations Coordinator. Mrs. Zancanella reported that the Division of Water Resources (DWR) is seeking information related to reporting the final balance and heard requests from the ditch and canal companies about where the water should be stored and how water could be moved to avoid losses by any of the participants.

Mr. Spady tracked the requests on a spreadsheet, and several follow-up conversations will be needed to develop the final balance. Another meeting will be scheduled following the end of Winter Water storage to determine the final balance.

The Winter Water Program ends on March 15, and evacuation of water from the Joint Use Pool in Pueblo Reservoir to reach flood control elevation will begin on March 31.

Meeting adjourned at 1:29 p.m.

Margie Medina, Administrative Support Specialist
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