

ALLOCATION & STORAGE COMMITTEE

MINUTES

May 8, 2025

A meeting of the Allocation & Storage Committee held on Thursday, May 8, 2025 at 12:12 p.m. at the District Office 31717 United Avenue, Pueblo, Colorado 81001 and via Zoom virtual conference.

Chairman Andy Colosimo announced a quorum was present.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Andy Colosimo - Chairman, Tom Goodwin, Justin DiSanti, Alan Hamel, Matt Heimerich, Curtis Mitchell (online), Bill Long and Leann Noga

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED:

OTHERS PRESENT:

Greg Felt (via Zoom), Seth Clayton, Mike Bartolo, Pat Edelmann, Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District (District) Board; Mitch Frischmeyer, Lisa Brown, Wilson Water Group; Mike Holmberg, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation; Chris Woodka, Gordon Dillon, Patty Rivas , Margie Medina, Lee Miller, Peter Levish District staff; Bill Tyner (online)Tyner Engineering; Tammi Renninger (online) ElephantFish, Roy Vaughan,H2O Consultants; Alan Ward, Board of Water Works Pueblo; and Noah Friesen (online) Division of Water Resources.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Colosimo confirmed that members of the Committee received their copy of the April 3, 2025 Allocation & Storage Committee minutes and asked if there were any corrections or discussions. Tom Goodwin moved, Alan Hamel seconded to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS:

Fryingpan-Arkansas Project Allocation History

Chris Woodka presented a history of how the current procedures for the allocation process and procedures were developed over time. Roy Vaughan added to the presentation with additional material on the history of the Fryingpan-Arkansas project. Mr. Vaughan reported that a new sedimentation study conducted on the Pueblo Reservoir would be published soon.

ACTION ITEMS

2025 Fryingpan-Arkansas Project Water Return Flow Allocation

Mitch Frischmeyer from Wilson Water Group (WWG) presented information for the allocation of the May 1 forecast of 42,300 acre-feet that was provided by the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation). After all the water accounting is done, WWG is recommending that 70% (26,783 acre-feet) of the net forecast be used for the initial allocation. Mr. Frischmeyer went on to give

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an accounting of each entity, both municipal and agricultural, that has applied to receive Project Water and what their initial allocation would be. After the presentation, Chris Woodka presented the staff recommendation for the 2025 Fryingpan-Arkansas Project Water Return Flow Allocation action item. With that he had the suggested motion of, "I move that the Allocation and Storage Committee recommend to the Enterprise Board of Directors to approve the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project Water and Project Water Return Flow allocation for 2025 as presented or as amended." Alan Hamel moved and Tom Goodwin seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Project Water Applications Deadline

Leann Noga presented information to approve the acceptance of Project Water Applications that were submitted after the March 31, 2025 deadline. Municipal water users that submitted late applications were Town of Boone, Town of Eads, City of Florence, Town of Sugar City and West Grand Valley Water, Inc. Return Flow late applicants included AGRA and LAVWCD. Mrs. Noga made the suggested motion of, "I move the Allocation Committee recommend the Board of Directors to accept the Project Water applications received after the March 31, 2025 deadline." Justin DiSanti moved and Alan Hamel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

None

OTHER BUSINESS

None

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, June 5, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURN

Mr. Long adjourned the meeting at 2:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gordon Dillon,
Engineering Manager