

ALLOCATION COMMITTEE
and
RESOURCE AND ENGINEERING PLANNING COMMITTEE
JOINT MEETING
MINUTES
April 7, 2022

A joint meeting of the Allocation and Resource and Engineering Planning Committees was held on Thursday, April 07, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. at the District Office, 31717 United Avenue, Pueblo, Colorado and via Zoom virtual meeting.

Co-Chairman Mitchell announced a quorum of the joint Committee was present.

ALLOCATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bub Miller–Vice-Chairman (remote)

Tom Goodwin; Alan Hamel, Curtis Mitchell, Bill Long, and James Broderick.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED:

Carl McClure; Andy Colosimo

Chairman Mitchell announced a quorum of the Resource and Engineering Planning Committee was present.

RESOURCE AND ENGINEERING PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Curtis Mitchell – Chairman; Seth Clayton-Vice-Chair (connected remotely at 1:47p.m.) Pat Edelman (remote) Tom Goodwin, Bill Long, and James Broderick.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED:

Andy Colosimo

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jack Goble, Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District; Scott Lorenz, Colorado Springs Utilities; Garrett Markus, Kevin Meador (remote), Margie Medina, Lee Miller, Patty Rivas, Leann Noga, Mark Scott and Chris Woodka, Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District staff.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

ALLOCATION COMMITTEE

Chairman Mitchell asked for approval of the Allocation Committee meeting for February 3, 2022, and asked if there were any corrections or additions. Hearing none, Bub Miller moved, seconded by Allan Hamel, to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

RESOURCE AND ENGINEERING PLANNING COMMITTEE

Chairman Mitchell asked for approval of the Resource and Engineering Planning Committee meeting for February 3, 2022, and asked if there were any corrections or additions. Hearing none, Tom Goodwin moved, seconded by Jim Broderick, to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

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PRESENTATIONS:

JAMES W. BRODERICK HYDROPOWER PLANT UPDATE

Below table summarizes the operations information for the James W. Broderick Hydropower Plant (JWBHP) for the month of March 2022. Generation is expected to run below average in April.

	THIS	LAST	YEAR TO
	MONTH	MONTH	DATE
Power Generation (MWhrs)	792	366	1501
Scheduled Power (MWhrs)	990	336	1574
Revenue	\$51,015	\$17,314	\$81,108
% of Average Generation	47%	41%	46%

Kevin Meador discussed reconciling scheduled power and produced power from past two years per the agreement with Black Hills Energy. Over the past two years, there was more power scheduled than generated which have revenues already received by the District.

FRYINGPAN-ARKANSAS PROJECT WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

Garrett Markus provided a PowerPoint presentation reviewing the Upper Colorado River Basin precipitation, snowpack conditions, and streamflow forecast. The Committee was provided updated graphs of the Fry-Ark collection basin snowpack vs annual basin average with associated Fry-Ark imports along with the four-collection site average. The Fry-Ark Bureau of Reclamation forecast for April 1, was 42,300 AF but reiterated that the May 1 is the official forecast considerations are based on SNOTEL sites alone; 70 percent of actual imports come from snowpack presented by SNOTEL sites and 30 percent of actual imports come from precipitation from May 1 to September 30. 2021-2022 Winter Water season ends with a total of 34,461.35 AF in Pueblo Reservoir, which is below the average of 42,000 AF.

ACTION ITEMS:

INCLUSION OF LAND ANNEXED BY COLORADO SPRINGS

Garrett Markus in a PowerPoint identified five annexations for the City of Colorado Springs. The Resolution for Inclusion is:

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RESOLUTION NO.	More Commonly Known As	Legal	Acres	County
2022-04D INCL-AX	Woodman East Commercial Center Filing No. 1 Annexation	NW4NW4 S10T13SR65	30.738	El Paso
2022-05D INCL-AX	Hope Chapel Annexation No. 1	NW4 Sec28T12SR66	4.61	El Paso
2022-06D INCL-AX	Hope Chapel Annexation No. 2	NW4 Sec28T12SR66	8.12	El Paso
2022-07D INCL-AX	Pikes Vista	SE4NW4 Sec7T13SR65	5.9	El Paso
2022-08D INCL-AX	The Park Vista Addition No. 9 (previously Lighthouse Baptist Church)	NW4 Sec26T13SR66	1.29	El Paso

Bill Long moved, seconded by Jim Broderick that the Committee recommend the Board approve, by Resolution, the inclusion of the Woodman East Commercial Center Filing No. 1 Annexation, Hope Chapel Annexation No. 1 & 2; Pikes Vista and The Park Vista Addition No. 9 into the City of Colorado Springs subject to the following terms and conditions:

1. Approval of these inclusions into the Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District will not increase the amount of Fryingpan-Arkansas Project water available to the city. Any Fryingpan-Arkansas Project water used on these included lands will need to come from the water allocated to the city through Fryingpan-Arkansas Project water allocations made pursuant to the District’s Allocation Principles and Policies; and
2. Any use of Fryingpan-Arkansas Project water on the included lands is subject to the decrees for the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project, and to all lawful rules, regulations, principles, policies, and contractual obligations of the District; and
3. The annexed lands will be subject to ad valorem taxes levied by the District as any other similarly situated lands in the District at the time of this inclusion; and
4. Prior to the District filing a petition for District Court approval of this inclusion, the Municipality, and/or owner(s) of the annexed lands shall have paid all the costs charged by the United States in connection with the contracting officer’s assent to this inclusion.

Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF TRANSFER OF PROJECT WATER FROM THE TOWN OF PONCHA SPRINGS TO UPPER ARKANSAS WATER ACTIVITY ENTERPRISE FOR AUGMENTATION PURPOSES

Garrett Markus informed the Committee Town of Poncha Springs has applied to have the Upper Arkansas Water Activity Enterprise augment a well. The Town of Poncha Springs proposes to provide the Upper Arkansas Water Activity Enterprise with Project water for this purpose, as opposed to purchasing water from the Upper Arkansas Water Activity Enterprise.

Bill Long moved, seconded by Jim Broderick that the Committee recommend that the Enterprise Board approve the transfer of Project Water from Town of Poncha Springs to Upper Arkansas Water Activity Enterprise for augmentation purposes. Motion passed unanimously.

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INFORMATION ITEMS:

None

OTHER BUSINESS:

None

NEXT MEETING

May 5, 2022

ADJOURN

Chairman Mitchell adjourned the joint meeting at 2:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Garrett J. Markus, P.E.

Water Resource Engineer