

South Platte Water Related Activities Program, Inc.

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Meeting Minutes of the Interim Board of Directors

January 18, 2007

1. Call to Order

The Interim Board of Directors meeting was called to order by President David Little.

2. Minutes from the November 16, 2006 and December 21, 2006 Board meetings were approved.

3. Discussed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Division of Wildlife (DOW).

Ted Kowalski stated that the Species Conservation Trust Fund (SCTF) can be used to fund a full time employee (FTE) for DOW. However, it is an open issue of how much the SCTF would fund of the FTE. Jon Altenhofen and the Technical Water Group Subcommittee are working out the water component obligations and water accounting. Jon stated that it will take 60 days to get the water accounting done. Jon provided a draft reporting form for review that cities/municipalities will need to fill out.

4. Deb Freeman provided an update on interim measures. The USFWS plans to send a letter to permitting agencies administering interim Biological Opinions (BO). The letter will state that entities with interim BOs need to go under the Program or need to re-initiate the permitting process. In order to come under the Program, entities must become a member of SPWRAP and sign the recovery agreement. The USFWS will then provide an amendment/addendum to the BO stating that the entity is covered under the Program.

5. Discussed the Reporting Form and Assessment Invoice and Instructions. Kevin Urie is coordinating the review and any revisions of these forms. Additional tweaking of the Agricultural (Class A) Membership forms will also occur.

6. Ted Kowalski provided a list of tasks required to be accomplished by the State and SPWRAP for the Platte River Recovery Implementation Program.

Ted is working with the State Demographer to determine future population estimates. Jon Altenhofen is working on calculations for the "Initial Reporting Period."

Representatives and alternates were designated to Program subcommittees:

Operating Committee (Pursuant to MOA between SPWRAP and State)

Kevin Urie will be the SPWRAP representative and Alan Berryman will be the alternate to the Operating Committee (pursuant to the MOA between the State SPWRAP). Grady McNeill will be the DOW representative and Mary Halstead will be the alternate, but they will confirm that at the next SPWRAP meeting. Ted Kowalski will be the representative and Rick Brown will be the alternate for CWCB.

Finance Committee

Ted Kowalski will be the representative and Rick Brown will be the alternate for Colorado.

Dennis Harmon will be the water users' representative.
(WY can have the alternate).

Land Advisory Committee

Joe Frank will be the representative and Ted Kowalski will be the alternate for Colorado.

Technical Advisory Committee

Kevin Urie will be the water users' representative and Greg Dewey will be the alternate.

Ted Kowalski will be the representative and Grady McNeill will be the alternate for Colorado.

Water Advisory Committee

John Altenhofen will be the water users' representative and Joe Frank will be the alternate.

Jim Hall will be the representative and Ted Kowalski will be the alternate for Colorado.

Alan Berryman, Steve Sims, and Deb Freeman are working on a Draft Preliminary Cost Estimate for meeting all Platte River Recovery Implementation Program (PRRIP) obligations.

Payments to SPWRAP are due by April 15, 2007. Deb Freeman is working on certification language.

Denver Water is working on the SPWRAP website.

7. Discussed the resolution to remove one-time member initiation fees and will pursue a mechanism to develop a "small depletions" category of membership.
8. Next Meeting:
February 15, 2007
Denver Water at 10:00 am