

**UPPER ARKANSAS WATER
CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**

Water Activity Enterprise Committee

**April 8, 2021
1:00 P.M.**

The Upper Arkansas Water Conservancy District Water Activity Enterprise committee held its regular meeting Thursday, April 8, 2021 at the District offices, 339 East Hwy 50, Salida, Colorado, commencing at 1:00 P.M., notice having been given by posting of Notice and Agenda on April 7, 2021, at the offices of the Upper Arkansas Water Conservancy District, 339 East Hwy 50, Salida, Colorado.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT (IN PERSON)

Ralph L. (Terry) Scanga	Timothy C. Canterbury	Rich Hilderbrand
Franklin J. (Jay) Moore	Tom E. French	Thomas Goodwin
Ken Baker		

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT (BY REMOTE VIDEO AND AUDIO
CONFERENCING)**

Gregory W. Felt (joined at 1:20 pm)	Tony Telck	Brett McMurry
Tim Payne	Mike Shields	Robert B. (Bill) Donley
Mannie Colon	Warren Diesslin	

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

None

DISTRICT OFFICIALS/STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT (IN PERSON)

Jord Gertson, Hydrologist	Gracy Goodwin, Projects Manager
Jennifer Scanga, Secretary	Kendall Burgemeister, Attorney

**DISTRICT OFFICIALS/STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT (BY REMOTE VIDEO AND AUDIO
CONFERENCING)**

Wendy Ryan, Engineer	Chris Manera, Engineer
Richard Brown, Legislative Consultant	

DISTRICT OFFICIALS/STAFF MEMBERS ABSENT

None

STATE OFFICIALS PRESENT (BY REMOTE VIDEO AND AUDIO CONFERENCING)

Will Scott, Water Commissioner, District 12
Bill Tyner, Division 2 Engineer

STATE OFFICIALS ABSENT

Brian Sutton, Augmentation Coordinator
Dan Henrichs, Water Commissioner, District 11

GUESTS PRESENT

None

GUESTS PRESENT (BY REMOTE VIDEO AND AUDIO CONFERENCING)

Joe Stone, Heart of the Rockies Radio
Tom Flower, Custer County Commissioner
Dwayne McFall, Fremont County Commissioner
Bob Hartzman, Canon City Water Superintendent

CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION

Introduction of guests will be held over to the Board meeting.

RECORD OF PROCEEDING

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF March 11, 2021

The minutes of the meeting of March 11, 2021, were approved upon motion by committee member French with second by committee member Hilderbrand.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon motion by committee member Goodwin with second by committee member Telck, the committee approved the financial reports dated March 31, 2021. Manager Scanga reviewed the quarterly balance sheet for April.

MANAGER'S REPORT – Terry Scanga

Manager Scanga discussed the new Annual New Ponds Curtailable Augmentation Plan. He displayed a chart showing the augmentation plans already in place and their respective attributes such as types of structures, source of water, plan term, applicable uses, and costs.

The Standard Augmentation Plan is a perpetual plan that covers new or existing structures such as, wells, on-stream or off-stream ponds, and decreed surface diversion points with the source of water being ground and surface water. The Annual plan covers new or existing structures as with the Standard Plan except it is a renewable plan that is subject to annually available water supply. It is a short-term use plan primarily for evaporation replacement. The Annual Landscape Plan covers UA augmented wells impacting only the Arkansas Main Stem for landscape irrigation with assumed 100% depletion. It is also a renewable plan subject to annually available water supply. The Curtailable Augmentation Plan covers new or existing wells, On and off stream ponds, and decreed surface diversion points. It is a perpetual but curtailable, based on tributary calls in the 03CW104 decree area. Its use covers evaporation, irrigation, and livestock watering but not domestic uses. After Mr. Scanga briefly summarized the Augmentation Plans already in place, he discussed the new proposed plan, Annually Curtailable Augmentation of New Ponds. He explained that this new plan covers new wells, on and off stream ponds, and decreed surface diversion points. It is renewable and subject to annually available water supply on specific tributaries and the diversion and use is curtailable. Manager Scanga said that the plan specifically states, "Applicant understands that augmentation under this plan may not be available each year nor for a full calendar year. Curtailment is subject to stream conditions on the impacted tributary that may reduce water availability due to a tributary call. When augmentation is curtailed as determined by UAWAE, Applicant will be notified to cease diversion and use of water and the associated evaporation for on-stream ponds by reducing the increased surface area, caused by the impoundment, to the natural stream level."

Chairman Canterbury asked about availability due to a tributary call stipulated on the augmentation application. He said there are typically continual calls on certain tributaries. Manager Scanga answered that those specific streams are not in the District's decreed areas unless clearly specified as in the case of the Annual Curtailable Plan (Case # 03CW104). He said in places where there is a tributary call, the District has resources above those tributary call points where a replacement can be made. He added that replacements may be limited in those specific areas and if there is a proliferation of big ponds in such areas, the available supply could not be made available for domestic use. Manager Scanga said it will be a call made by the District to decide which ones we want it to be applicable to. He said it gives the District necessary flexibility.

Upon motion by Committee Member Payne and seconded by Committee Member Hilderbrand, the Board unanimously approved the new Annually Curtailable Augmentation of New Ponds Plan with a vote of "Aye".

Augmentation Report

Manager Scanga displayed the augmentation report for March 31, 2021. As of the end of March, total State approvals for augmentation were 695.29 acre-feet. Replacements were 33.75 acre-feet including transit loss.

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HYDROLOGIST REPORT

Reservoir Storage

Hydrologist Gertson reported that in our Twin Lakes account, we have 8.1 acre-feet of native water and 46.6 acre-feet of Twin Lakes, Transmountain water. Pueblo reservoir had 1796.3 acre-feet of project carryover and 1,500 acre-feet of project water. Total storage was at 5042.7 acre-feet.

ENGINEER'S REPORT – Chris Manera, Colorado River Engineering

Deferred to next meeting

LEGAL REPORT - Kendall Burgemeister, Law of the Rockies

Deferred to next meeting

OTHER BUSINESS


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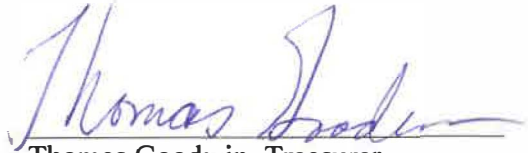
No further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:39 pm

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Respectfully submitted,


Ralph L. Scanga, Jr., General Manager


Thomas Goodwin, Treasurer


Timothy C. Canterbury


Richard Hilderbrand

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Mannie Colon

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Franklin J. Moore

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