UPPER ARKANSAS WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Water Activity Enterprise Committee

November 9, 2023 1:00 PM

The Upper Arkansas Water Conservancy District Water Activity Enterprise committee held its regular meeting Thursday, November 9, 2023, at the District offices, 339 East Hwy 50, Salida, Colorado, commencing at 1:00pm, notice having been given by posting of Notice and Agenda on November 8, 2023, 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

Gregory W. Felt

Brett McMurry

Ken Baker

Robert B. (Bill) Donley

Warren Diesslin

Tom French

Richard Hilderbrand

Albert Eggleston

Thomas Goodwin

Tony Telck

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT (BY REMOTE VIDEO AND AUDIO CONFERENCING)

Mannie Colon

Mike Shields

Tim Payne

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Tim C. Canterbury

DISTRICT OFFICIALS/STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT (IN PERSON)

Jord Gertson, Hydrologist

Jennifer A. Scanga, Administrative Assistant

Kendall Burgemeister, Attorney

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

Denise Sanchez, Office Manager

Richard Brown, Legislative Consultant

Gracy Goodwin, Project's Manager

Wendy Ryan, Engineer

DISTRICT OFFICIALS/STAFF MEMBERS ABSENT

Chris Manera, Engineer

STATE OFFICIALS PRESENT

Talon Canterbury, Deputy Water Commissioner, District 12 Jerry Livengood, Water Commissioner, District 13

STATE OFFICIALS PRESENT (BY REMOTE VIDEO AND AUDIO CONFERENCING)

Will Scott, Water Commissioner, District 11

Rachel Zancanella, Division Engineer

STATE OFFICIALS ABSENT

Brian Sutton, Augmentation Coordinator

Dan Henrichs, Water Commissioner, District 12

GUESTS PRESENT

None

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Emily Tracy, Canon City Council member

Joe Crabb, Division of Water Resources, Division 2

Bill Canda, Custer County Water Commissioner

Nick Miller, Project Manager GEI Consultants

RECORD OF PROCEEDING

CHAIRMAN'S INTRODUCTION

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

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF October 12, 2023

The minutes of the meeting of October 12, 2023, were approved upon motion by committee member Hilderbrand with second by committee member Telck.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Upon motion by committee member Goodwin with second by committee member Diesslin, the committee approved the financial reports dated October 31, 2023.

MANAGER'S REPORT - Terry Scanga

Augmentation Report

Manager Scanga displayed the augmentation report for October 2023. As of the end of October, total State approvals for augmentation were 749.75 acre-feet. Replacements were 49.02 feet including transit loss.

Manager Scanga clarified for committee member Felt that direct flow is utilized if available. Hydrologist Gertson gave a more specific explanation in his Water Drop presentation.

HYDROLOGIST REPORT

Reservoir Storage

Hydrologist Gertson reported that in our Twin Lakes account, we have 8.5 acre-feet of native water and 91.4 acre-feet of Twin Lakes, Transmountain water. Pueblo reservoir had 2148.2 acre-feet of project carryover and 2000.0 acre-feet of project water. Total storage was 6000.4 acre-feet.

Hydrologist Gertson gave a brief presentation on the North Fork Dam drain cleaning. He displayed a video of the method used to clear all the debris and dirt from the drains.

Hydrologist Gertson followed his storage report and North Fork Dam presentation with the second in a series from his Water Drop presentation. The second part focused on Augmentation Replacements. This included Water Requirements, Period of Replacement, Preferred Reservoir for Releases, Stream Call, and Water Supply.

Also included in Hydrologist Gertson's presentation was Augmentation Water Sources. He listed the sources from Fry-ARK project, Twin Lakes, Thompson Ditch, Cottonwood Irrigation Ditch, White Ditch, Friend Ranch, and A Katzenstein Ditch No. 1.

Mr. Gertson explained Augmentation Demand Accounting which included Blue Triton Ruby Mountain Spring, Rule 14 Plan for Augmentation, Active Scheduled leases, Active Call leases, and Pond fill or refill.

Hydrologist Gertson discussed stream reaches of the Arkansas River, Cottonwood Creek, South Arkansas, and Grape Creek.

Manager Scanga stated that in addition to monthly accounting reports, an Annual Augmentation Report is created each year and sent to the Division Engineer's office and posted online.

Committee member Felt asked for clarification regarding direct flow versus releases. Hydrologist Gertson stated that it's important to use the full capacity of a direct flow before using storage and a separate accounting system is used for direct flow rights.

ENGINEER'S REPORT - Chris Manera, Colorado River Engineering

Deferred to next meeting

LEGAL REPORT - Kendall Burgemeister, Law of the Rockies

Deferred to next meeting

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OTHER BUSINESS

None

ADJOURN

No further business to come before the committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:55pm.

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Respectfully submitted.	
Ralph L. Scanga, Jr., General Manager	
Ken Baker	Inte Or RRIVAL - approved: Thomas Goodwin, Treasurer no Sign.
Timothy C. Canterbury	Richard Hilderbrand
Mannie Colon	Albert Eggleston
absent no Synature Robert B. Donley	Warren Diesslin
Gregory W. Felt	approved remotely-no significance
Tom E. French	Tony Telch Tony Telch
Butt A. McMurry	Mike Shields