

RESOURCE AND ENGINEERING PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES

November 10, 2022

A meeting of the Resource and Engineering Planning Committee was held on Thursday, November 10, 2022, at 10:02 a.m. at the District Office, 31717 United Avenue, Pueblo, Colorado and via Zoom virtual meeting.

Chairman Mitchell announced a quorum was present.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Curtis Mitchell – Chairman, Andy Colosimo, Pat Edelmann, Tom Goodwin (remote), Bill Long, and Jim Broderick

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT AND EXCUSED:

Seth Clayton– Vice Chairman

OTHERS PRESENT:

Alan Hamel, and Bub Miller, Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District (District) Director; Chris Woodka, Mark Scott, Kevin Meador, Peter Levish, Garrett Markus, Margie Medina, Lee Miller, and Leann Noga, District staff.

Zoom Participants: Patty Rivas, District staff.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Chairman Mitchell asked for approval of the September 1, 2022, Resource and Engineering Planning Committee minutes and if there were any corrections or additions. Alan Hamel asked to have his name corrected on the minutes as he attended the last minutes. With the addition to the minutes adding Alan Hamel in attendance, Pat Edelmann moved, seconded by Andy Colosimo, to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS:

JAMES W. BRODERICK HYDROPOWER PLANT UPDATE (JWBHP)

Kevin Meador updated the Committee on the James W. Broderick Hydropower Plant (JWBHP) starting with the current operations for the month of October 2022. Flow range was between 50-220 cfs, energy deliveries at 372 MWHRS with 25 percent of average of scheduled deliveries. The actual generation was 952 MWHRS.

2023 PROPOSED BUDGET

Garrett Markus provided a PowerPoint to review the budget on the following:

1. James W. Broderick Hydropower Plant
2. 10,825 Project: Ruedi Insurance O.M. & R. Cost
3. Regional Resource Planning Group (RRPG) Joint Funding Agreement with USGS
4. Ensure Fry-Ark Project Water Rights can be reasonably developed and protected.
5. Recovery of Storage

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6. Asset Management Program
7. Stream Forecasting
8. Research Project Support with Upper Arkansas Water Conservancy District with COAgMet monitoring
9. Restoration of Yield (ROY)
10. Reliable Future Water Supply – USGS Joint Funding Agreements for the Enterprise and Special Projects that monitor water quality
11. Fountain Creek Transit Loss Program

ACTION ITEMS:

Jim Broderick informed the Committee that there were three tax incremental financing items submitted for Colorado Springs Urban Renewal Authority and two for Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority. All agreements submitted are for 25 years to waive the right to receive incremental increased property tax payments on the properties submitted in each Impact Report. The reports are similar as are the agreements.

The Resource and Engineering Planning Committee recommended that the Board authorize the Executive Director to execute an agreement with the Pueblo Urban Renewal Authority (for West Pueblo and the Colorado Smelter Revitalization Project’s Tax Incremental Financing) for Pueblo and the Colorado Springs Tax Incremental Financing plans. Motion made by Tom Goodwin, seconded by Pat Edlmann. Motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

None

OTHER BUSINESS

None

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be set for Thursday, February 2, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURN

Chairman Mitchell adjourned the meeting at 11:06 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Garrett J. Markus, P.E.
Water Resources Engineer