

WTWG Meeting Minutes for March 24, 2008 at 1:00 PM

Bob Barwin, Dave Brown, Stuart Crane, Bill Ferry, Chuck Garner, Adam Gravley (Phone), Teresa Hauser, Carron Helberg, Stan Isley, Dave Kaumheimer, Paul LaRiviere, Larry Martin, Joe Mentor, Jim Milton, Ryland Moore (Phone), Darrell Monroe, Kelly McCaffrey, Greg McLaughlin, Tom Ring, Tom Tebb, Dawn Wiedmeier, Ron Van Gundy

Dawn Wiedmeier called the WTWG meeting to order. Dawn asked for any comments on the previous meeting minutes, with no comments received.

Dawn continued with the agenda with City of Roslyn 2008-03 proposal and Tom Tebb updated the group that Ecology has done some follow up and has appreciated all the comments. The group discussed setting a precedent, TWSA and storage releases, the fish issues, and that Reclamation needs to continue to review. No recommendation was made.

Dawn continued with a new proposal 2008-04 by Suncadia/Roan. Joe Mentor explained this proposal as the first part of the season Roan would use Suncadia's part and the second half of the season Suncadia would use Roan's part, with a net gain to Roan. The group discussed the number of acres irrigated, consumptive use (CU), annual usage, and fish concerns. Joe Mentor wants to schedule an on-site tour. No recommendation was made.

The group continued with the next new proposal 2008-05 for Crosetto. Kelly McCaffrey explained this proposal. The group discussed the CU calculation, acres farmed and fallowed, and the length of the season. Kelly M. will provide Ecology with consumptive use calculations. No recommendation was made.

Bill Ferry updated the group on the progress of the exchange contract as to the ESA restriction and protocol. The last piece is the finance provision to be added by Mike Cobell in Boise. Joe Mentor said congratulations.

Other items before the group included an update on the Swiftwater Ranch, which Ecology is still waiting for the water budget neutral analysis, and will talk to Traci and get a timetable if still going forward. In addition, an update on Ahtanum ID, from Scott Turner with Ecology, we are waiting until CFO is issued, then proceed.

Announcement: Darrell Monroe will be acting for Melissa Downes, as she is out on maternity leave.

Next meeting is set for April 28th at 1:00 PM.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:15 PM.