



FOUNTAIN CREEK WATERSHED

Flood Control And Greenway District

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Technical Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 2, 2022 – 1:00 PM

1. Call to Order, Introductions, and Establishment of a Quorum: The meeting was held via a Zoom video conference call. A quorum was established, and the meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. following the Annual Meeting.

Committee Members in Attendance

Andra Ahrens	City of Pueblo, Water Quality
Annie Berlemann	Colorado Springs Utilities, Watershed Planning
Dominga Jimenez-Garcia	Pueblo County, Public Works
Jason Meyer	El Paso County, Parks
Jonathan Griffen	Pueblo County
Kevin Binkley	Colorado Springs Utilities
Laura Hempel	USGS
Mark Shea	Colorado Springs Utilities, Watershed Planning
Terry Hart	District Citizen's Advisory Group

Others in Attendance:

Allison Schuch	Interim FCWFCGD Watershed Executive Director
Ian Patton	Wright Water Engineers
Gary Rapp	Citizen
Jeff Rice	El Paso County, Engineering
Melinda Norris	Fort Carson Stormwater
Steve Jacobsen	El Paso County, Public works

2. Approve Agenda: A motion was made by Andra Ahrens to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Terry Hart, and approved by unanimous vote.
3. Approve Minutes of the October 5, 2022, Meetings: A motion to approve the meeting minutes was made by Terry Hart, seconded by Jeff Rice, and approved by unanimous vote.
4. TAC Member Comments:
 - a. None.
5. Public Comments:
 - a. Ian Paton complemented the presentations from the October meeting. They were well done and very appropriate for the TAC.
6. Presentations:
 - a. TAC Member and Attendee Round Robin – members and attendees gave introductions, background, and current projects.

- b. TAC End of Year Review:
 - i. Jan
 - 1. Update on Eagleridge Project – Matrix
 - 2. Elections
 - ii. Feb
 - 1. Clear Springs Ranch Wetlands Project Land Use Application – Colorado Springs Utilities (Discussion on Land Use Authority, checklist, policies, procedures)
 - 2. Discussion on the history, role, and context of the TAC
 - iii. March
 - 1. USACE Update and Refresher (SQT)- Josh Carpenter, USACE
 - 2. Colorado Stream Quantification Tool: on-the-ground utility for restoration, water quality, and flood resiliency projects- Lucy Harrington, GEI Consultants
 - iv. April
 - 1. Presentation and Discussion on In Lieu Fee and Mitigation Banking Potential on Fountain Creek led by Lucy Harrington (GEI Consultants), Tom Smrdel (SWCA), and Josh Carpenter, USACE
 - v. May
 - 1. Review proposed TAC meeting topics
 - 2. Review TAC Fact Sheet
 - 3. Identify recommendations regarding the District Land Use Application
 - vi. June
 - 1. Review Scope of Work from the GEI Team on the feasibility of developing and implementing a successful In-Lieu Fee program (ILF) that would meet the goals of the Fountain Creek Watershed District – Lucy Harrington (GEI Consultants) and Tom Smrdel (SWCA)
 - vii. July
 - 1. Review the MMF’s processes for developing the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and deciding upon projects – Ian Paton (WWE)
 - viii. Aug
 - 1. Colorado's Fluvial Hazard Zone Mapping Program– Andrea Monahan (CWCB)
 - 2. Tools and applications for fluvial hazard zone mapping– Laura Hempel (USGS)
 - ix. Sept:

1. Studying a Volcanic Eruption using Drones and its Applications to Rivers. The U. S. Geological Survey's Emergency Response to the 2018 Volcanic Eruption of Kilauea– Brandon Forbes (USGS)
 2. Discussion on best ways to exchange information among the committees– Led by TAC and MMF members Mark Shea and Terry Hart
- x. Oct:
1. Historic river channel migration on Fountain Creek - Spencer Shaw (Colorado College)

7. Reports:

- a. District Board/Water Activity Enterprise Board/Project Updates: Alli Schuck reported that the District Board and Water Activity Enterprise Board met on October 28, 2022. Proposed budget to be approved at the December meeting. Asked for a 50% budget increase to go to staffing. Presentation on Colorado Springs Creek Planning group for vision and planning on sections of Monument and Creek from Fonteno down to Dorchester Park by Nevada St. Added and a new member to the CAG. Executive Director will be announced in December. Summary of District Tour. No board meeting in November, the next meeting is December 16, 2022, at 9:00 am on Zoom.
- b. Citizens Advisory Group: CAG met October 14, 2022, but no report out.
- c. Monetary Mitigation Fund Advisory Committee: Alli Schuck reported that the MMFAC met on November 19, 2022. Finalizing CIP with recommended projects: Eagleridge (\$4.3M) Southmoor Drive (\$2.2M) Frost Ranch and Wood Valley (alternatives analysis) for a total of \$6.7M for 2023 which leaves approximately \$12M remaining of the monetary mitigation funds. Final meeting of the year will be November 16th no meeting scheduled in December.
- d. AFCURE: Andra Ahrens reported that AFCURE met on November 1, 2022. Reviewed PPACG Watershed Planning with Ann Warner. Discussed the SOW for 2023 for nutrients and habitat assessments. Workgroup is examining Aluminum spatial trend. Issues formulation for Regulation 32 is on November 14th. The next meeting is December 6, 2022, at 10:00 am on Teams.

8. New Business:

- a. December meeting – will hold meeting and presentations TBD.
- b. Next year is the 10th anniversary of Creek Week.
- c. Liquid Lectures – call for speakers

9. Old Business:

- a. Resolution from Pueblo County on District representatives and alternates. Current representative is Dominga Jimenez-Garcia, with Tanis Manseau and Jonathan Griffen as alternates.

10. Future Business

- a. Officer elections – January
- b. Upcoming presentations
 - i. EPC Master Plan in December or January
 - ii. Colorado Springs Creek Plan to alternate with EPC Master Plan.

11. Set Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting: The next District TAC meeting will be held via Zoom video call on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at 1:00 pm.

12. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 2:33 pm with a motion by Mark Shea, seconded by Annie Berlemann, the motion passed unanimously.