



Citizens Advisory Group Meeting

This meeting will be held online via Zoom. Meetings are open to the public.

April 10, 2026

9:30 AM – 11:30 AM

[Citizens Advisory Group Meeting Zoom Link](#)

Draft Minutes

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of a Quorum 9:30-9:45am
A quorum was established by CAG Chair David Woolley, and the CAG meeting started at 9:30 AM. Those in attendance:
 - a. David Woolley – CAG Chair
 - b. Mary Barber – CAG Vice Chair
 - c. Mary Wilson – CAG Secretary
 - d. Alli Schuch – FCWD Staff
 - e. Lucy Rogers – FCWD Staff
 - f. Susan Finzel – FCWD Staff
 - g. Terry Hart – CAG Representative to the Board and Pueblo County Citizen
 - h. Macie Wagner – River Corps Member, FCWD Staff
 - i. Abriana Cuvelier – El Paso County Parks Advisory Board
 - j. Kathy Harris – Citizen at Large
 - k. Allen Beauchamp – Trails and Open Space Coalition
 - l. Maddy Dewey – Colorado State University Graduate Student
 - m. Scott Abbott – City of Colorado Springs Parks Department
 - n. Mark Shea – Colorado Springs Utilities
 - o. Karen George – Citizen at Large
 - p. Will Vogl - El Paso County Conservation District, Landowner, and Monument Firefighter
 - q. Yvonne Wetzig – Colorado Springs Utilities

2. Approve April Meeting Agenda 9:35am
 - a. Chair Woolley made a motion to approve the April 10, 2026 Meeting Agenda with no edits or changes. The agenda was approved by consensus.



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3. Approve Prior Meeting Minutes – March 13, 2026 9:35am
 - a. Chair Woolley made a motion to approve the March 13, 2026, Meeting Minutes with no edits or changes. The Meeting Minutes were approved by consensus.

4. Watershed Moments 9:35-9:45am
 - a. Secretary Wilson shared that the Aiken Audubon monthly meeting is Wednesday, April 15th, at 7pm at the Colorado Parks and Wildlife office.
 - b. Secretary Wilson shared that there are two days left to buy a rain barrel.
 - c. Allen Beauchamp shared that Rise Southeast is taking youth on a fly-fishing trip on Saturday, April 25th.
 - d. ED Schuch shared that she, Mary Wilson, and Mary Barber recorded a podcast, listen to it here: <https://studio809podcasts.com/home-watershed-FTN-creek-update/>
 - e. Chair Woolley shared that the Pikes Peak Birding & Nature Festival is coming up on May 14th – 17th. Secretary Wilson will be leading two field trips during the festival.

5. Presentations 9:45-10:30am
 - a. Guest Speaker Scott Abbott: E-Bikes and E-Bike Legislation
 - i. A brief overview of the differences between Class 1, 2 and 3 e-bikes was provided. This was followed by an overview of e-bike laws in Colorado Springs.
 - b. Alli Schuch: An Introduction to the In Lieu Fee Program
 - i. ED Schuch gave an overview and an update on the In Lieu Fee Program. This program will allow the FCWD to provide a service to ensure projects are completed responsibly for the health of the watershed and will broaden the footprint of the FCWD's work.

6. Current Business/Discussion 10:30-11:05am
 - a. Governing Board, Projects, and MMF – Alli Schuch
 - i. The Board met on March 20th. The Board will be engaging in strategic planning.
 - ii. Grant Updates: A Colorado Water Conservation Board Grant was received, which will determine and support the next restoration project. A SIPA Grant was submitted to support an ILF dashboard. A CO Healthy Rivers Grant was submitted.
 - iii. The Frost Ranch project had a kickoff meeting on 3.26, and a contract was signed with Stantec. Landowner agreements for the Frost Ranch Project are in progress. Construction will likely begin in December. The current Frost Ranch Project budget is as follows: \$139,198 from CWCB Technical Assistance Grant for 60% design, \$137,013 from CWCB Water Plan Grant for 60-100% design, and \$1,000,000 from the MMF Budget.
 - iv. There was a compliance visit with the Army Corps of Engineers at Southmoor Drive on 3.25.



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- b. TAC/WAE/AFCURE– Yvonne
 - i. The TAC met on April 1st. A presentation on the CWCB Technical Assistance Grant was given. A discussion on the Land Use Authority Processes occurred. An In Lieu Fee Program update was provided.
 - ii. AFCURE met on April 7th. There was an update on the South Platte Coalition for Urban River Evaluation. An update on the Water Quality Road Map was shared and discussed.
- c. Website – Mary Barber
 - i. There are a lot of upcoming events, check out the Event Calendar!
- d. WOC – Susan Finzel/Mary Wilson
 - i. Susan Finzel presented on FCWD outreach efforts in Pueblo. She hosted an information booth and trivia night for the Sun Soil Water Summit; participated in the Western Landscape Symposium; and helped host a Riparian Workshop at Hanna Ranch. She is spreading the word about the Great American Cleanup and the Rain Barrel Sale through newspaper ads and getting flyers out. She is additionally working on determining the use of funds for the Pueblo Generation Wild Coalition and will be attending the Brew at the Zoo event in Pueblo on April 25th. The Ride the Watershed Bike tour is coming up on May 29th; all CAG members received an invitation.
 - ii. Secretary Wilson presented on FCWD outreach efforts. Great American Cleanup Crew Leader and Crew Member registration are open! In addition to advertising the Great American Cleanup, the outreach team is also advertising the Rain Barrel Sale. The FCWD attended Bug Day at the Garden of the Gods Visitor and Nature Center. Mary attended a Pikes Peak Generation Wild listening session in which valuable input from all members of the Southeast community was shared. The Collab Brew details are being determined; Hydration Celebrations for the Great American Cleanup are being organized; and details are in the works for attending beer festivals as a Brewshed® Alliance. Coming up, there is a noxious weeding event on April 12th, there will be a Liquid Lecture at Bristol Brewing on April 16th, the FCWD will be attending two conferences, teaching at the nature lab school in Manitou Springs, and the Great American Cleanup will be on May 2nd.

7. New Business 11:05-11:15am

- a. Volunteer Opportunities
 - i. April 24th and 25th updates
 - ii. May 2nd – Family Fun Day 9am-3pm
 - 1. Shifts 9am-11am; 11am-1pm; 1pm-3pm
- b. GAC and Rain Barrel Sale – promote
- c. Confirmed speaker next meeting



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- i. Ally Richardson presenting on Hügélkultur
- ii. Dillon O'Hare presenting on Water Law 101

8. 2026 Meeting Schedule 11:15-11:20am

- a. May 8 - Virtual
- b. June-July - no meetings. TAC/CAG Field Trip TBD
- c. Aug 14 - Virtual
- d. Sept 11 - Hybrid
- e. Oct 9 - Virtual
- f. Nov 13 - Hybrid
- g. Dec - no meeting

9. Public Comments 11:20-11:25am

- a. Will Vogl shared that he had a great time at the Landowner Workshop.
- b. Maddy Dewy asked about the mineral concerns within the sediment in Fountain Creek and if Colorado Springs is doing anything to ensure we are maintaining the healthy levels. ED Schuch provided a response discussing how the City of Colorado Springs is spending money to fix and maintain the stormwater infrastructure.
- c. Scott Abbott shared that the City of Colorado Springs Parks Department is looking for a natural resource specialist.

10. Adjourn 11:30am

- a. Chair Woolley made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was approved by consensus, and the meeting was adjourned.