



FOUNTAIN CREEK WATERSHED

Flood Control And Greenway District

Fountain Creek Watershed, Flood Control and Greenway District
Technical Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 7, 2018 – 1:00 PM

1. Call to Order, Introductions, and Establishment of a Quorum: The meeting was held at Fountain City Hall, 116 S. Main Street, Fountain, Colorado. A quorum was established, and the meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m.

Committee Members in Attendance

Andra Ahrens	City of Pueblo, Water Quality
Kevin Binkley	Colorado Springs Utilities/City of Colorado Springs
John Chavez	El Paso County, Stormwater
Chip Hahn	Fort Carson, Stormwater
Sara Hartley	City of Manitou Springs
Jeff Hawkins	City of Pueblo, Stormwater
Jim Heckman	Fountain Sanitation District
Irene Kornelly	FCWFCGD Citizens Advisory Group (CAG)
Dennis Maroney	Pueblo Conservancy District
Brian Mihlbachler	USAF Academy
Richard Mulledy	City of Colorado Springs, Water Resources Engineering
Mark Shea	Colorado Springs Utilities, Watershed Planning
Larry Small	FCWFCGD Executive Director
Brandy Williams	City of Fountain, Engineering

Others in Attendance:

Bill Banks	USGS
Scott Campbell	Innovative Conservation Solutions (ICS) Consulting
Chris Hawkins	The Nature Conservancy
Paige Lewis	The Nature Conservancy

2. Approve Agenda: A motion was made by Jim Heckman to accept the agenda, seconded by Irene Kornelly and approved by unanimous vote.
3. Approved Minutes of the February 7, 2018 Meeting: A motion to approve the minutes was made by John Chavez, seconded by Andra Ahrens and approved by unanimous vote.
4. TAC Member Comments: None
5. Public Comments: None

6. Presentations: Fountain Creek Opportunities Analysis – Paige Lewis (The Nature Conservancy) and Scott Campbell (Innovative Conservation Solutions)

- Paige Lewis provided a brief introduction of The Nature Conservancy
 - The Nature Conservancy has been active in Colorado for 50 years
- Scott Campbell provided an overview of the Fountain Creek Opportunities Analysis scope and gap analysis findings
 - Project scheduled to wrap up in May or June per the timeline provided
 - Feedback on the gap analysis findings and input on potential solutions encouraged

7. Reports:

- a. District Board/Water Activity Enterprise Board: Larry Small reported on February meeting.
 - District Board met February 23, 2018; included presentation from Scott Campbell with ICS Consulting related to the Fountain Creek Opportunities Analysis and also from MWH/Stantec on the Fountain Creek Alternatives Analysis.
 - District Board voted to approve the submitted Fountain Creek Alternatives Analysis report.
 - The District Enterprise Board voted to approve the Monetary Mitigation Fund Advisory Committee's (MMFAC) 2018 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and Matrix Engineering's district engineering contract through 2018
 - The District Board approved to move forward with the proposed Barr Farm project first, followed by the Pinon Bridge project in 2018.
 - Larry Small gave presentation related to the work in the District to Pueblo City Council on Monday February 26, which was well received.
- b. Citizens Advisory Group: Irene Kornelly reported on the February CAG meeting, which was held on February 9, 2018. Meeting included a presentation from MWH/Stantec on the Fountain Creek Alternatives Analysis and a report on the 2017 Community Outreach efforts of the CAG presented by Allison Plute. Scott Campbell is scheduled to present the Fountain Creek Opportunities Analysis findings to the CAG at the March meeting to be held on March 9, 2018
- c. Monetary Mitigation Fund Committee: Mark Shea reported on the February committee meeting. Provided an overview of the 2018 MMFAC CIP plan and the project evaluation process used; noted that MMF funds are restricted to those outlined in Condition 6 of the SDS 1041 Permit with Pueblo County; summarized other CIP recommendations included in plan in addition to the project evaluation criteria including annual project review process and yearly updates to be submitted to the District Board by September of each year. The next MMFAC meeting will be held in April to begin the 2019 CIP assessment process.
- d. AFCURE: Mark Shea reported on the February meeting. Shared watershed E-coli analysis map obtained from USGS gauge stations; AFCURE members continue to be engaged in nutrient modeling processes as well as Regulation 82 rulemaking hearings regarding numeric standards in the watershed, and will be participating in upcoming Arkansas Basin related meetings.
- e. Projects Updates: Masciantonio project is complete except for revegetation; Highway 47 project moving along in the construction phase with completion scheduled around June. Proposed to conduct a tour of the two projects with the TAC and CAG in July.

8. New Business: None

9. Old Business

- a. City of Colorado Springs Streamside Overlay: Richard Mulledy provided a quick overview of the first Streamside Design subcommittee meeting held on February 22, 2018 at Fountain City Hall; continuing to evaluate what solutions are worth moving forward with.
- b. Project Review Process: Kevin Binkley provided draft project design review process outlines (2 versions); asked TAC members to review and provide comments by the April TAC meeting for further review and discussion. Primary purpose of design review process document is to compliment the District's land use application process for entities proposing projects through the corridor.
- c. County Floodplain Powers: John Chavez discussed with Jennifer Irvine on direction and plan to request input from the El Paso County attorney's office. Keith Curtis and Region Building Department are in process of potentially changing their floodplain permitting requirements, including oversight/management of the local CRS program.

10. Future Business

- a. Colorado Springs Stormwater IGA – 2017 Summary: Richard Mulledy will be presenting a summary of the 2017 IGA Estimated Expenditures report to the Pueblo County Commissioners on March 19 and again to the District Board on March 23 for those interested in attending. A condensed version of the presentation will be added to the April TAC agenda as well.
- b. Manitou Sensitive Lands Overlay District: Sara Hartley reported that the draft version of the document will be ready in the next couple of weeks and finalized later in April. Sara will provide a copy of the draft document to the TAC's Streamside Design subcommittee and will plan to present the final version to the TAC at the May TAC meeting.
- c. Floodplain Encroachment Enforcement Authority, Roles and Responsibilities – Agency Panel: No updates; may possibly reach out to Palmer Land Trust to provide a presentation at the June TAC meeting.
- d. El Paso County Parks Department: Jason Myer will begin representing the El Paso County Parks Department on the District TAC and will plan to attend the April TAC meeting.

11. Set Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on April 4, 2018 at 1:00 pm at Fountain City Hall.

12. Adjourn: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Irene Kornelly, seconded by John Chavez, approved by unanimous vote. The meeting adjourned at 3:14 pm.