

**The Southwestern Water Conservation District
The West Building, 841 E Second Avenue
Durango, CO 81301**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
A Regular Board Meeting of the
Southwestern Water Conservation District
will be held **via Zoom only**

Wednesday, February 16, 2022

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

and

Thursday, February 17, 2022

9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

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Revised, Posted and Noticed on February 15, 2022

Tentative Agenda

*In adherence with state and local health recommendations, **public participation in this meeting is available via Zoom only** using the connection information above. A few members of the board and staff may meet in person at SWCD's office at 841 E 2nd Avenue, Durango, Colorado. Remaining participation will be via Zoom only.*

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Except the time indicated for when the meeting is scheduled to begin, the times noted for each agenda item are estimates and subject to change. The Board may address and act on agenda items in any order to accommodate the needs of the Board and the audience. Agenda items can also be added during the meeting at the direction of the Board.

Agenda items may be placed on the Consent Agenda when the recommended action is non-controversial. The Consent Agenda may be voted on without reading or discussing individual items. Any Board member may request clarification about items on the Consent Agenda. The Board may remove items from the Consent Agenda at their discretion for further discussion.

Wednesday, February 16, 2022

- 1.0 Call to Order – Roll Call, Verification of Quorum (9:00 a.m.)**
- 2.0 Review and Approve Agenda (9:01 a.m.)**
- 3.0 SWCD Board of Director Appointments for Dolores & Mineral Counties (9:02 a.m.)**
- 4.0 Annual Election of Officers (9:05 a.m.)**

- 5.0 Board Committee Membership for 2022 (9:20 a.m.)**
- 6.0 Approve and/or Remove Consent Agenda Items (9:27 a.m.)**
- 7.0 Consent Agenda (9:28 a.m.)**
 - 7.1 Approval of Minutes (December 8; January 7; January 20)
 - 7.2 Resolution 2022-01 Designation of Meeting Posting Location
- 8.0 Executive Session (9:30 a.m.)**
 - 8.1 Upcoming Diligence for SWCD Water Rights, Case No. 13CW3011, Division 7
 - 8.2 San Miguel River Basin Water Supply Planning
 - 8.3 Upcoming Diligence for the Southwestern Water Conservation District and La Plata County Animas Service Area water rights, Case No. 06CW127, Division 7
 - 8.4 Application of Double RL Company, Case No. 21CW3020, Division 4
 - 8.5 December Water Court Resume Review (Divisions 3, 4)
- 9.0 Summary and Action Items from Executive Session (11:30 a.m.)**
- 10.0 General Counsel Legal Report (11:35 a.m.)**
 - 10.1 December Water Court Resume Review (Divisions 3, 4, 7)
 - 10.2 Proposed Updates to SWCD Employee Job Descriptions
- Lunch Break (12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.)**
- 11.0 SWCD Grant Program (1:00 p.m.)**
 - 11.1 2021 Grant Program Summary Report (1:00 p.m.)
 - 11.2 Review of SWCD Grant Program Criteria (1:05 p.m.)
 - 11.3 2022 SWCD Grant Applications Presentations (1:10 – 2:30 p.m.)
 - Emergency Category
 - Eaklor Ditch Company - Piping Project
 - Water Supply/Watershed Restoration Category
 - Lone Cone Ditch & Reservoir Company - Outlet/Intake Repair
 - Mancos Conservation District - Mancos Valley Smart Metering Project
 - RiversEdge West - Dolores River Restoration Partnership Stewardship/Monitoring
 - Town of Pagosa Springs - Yamaguchi South Project
 - Public Forums, Studies & Planning Category
 - Animas Watershed Partnership - Animas River Stream Management Plan, Phase I
 - Mancos Conservation District - Water Quality & Urban Water Conservation Plan
 - Woodwell Climate Research Center - Science on the Fly in Southwest Colorado
 - 11.4 2022 SWCD Grant Applications Decisions (2:30 p.m.)
 - 11.5 Board & Staff Feedback on Grant Program Process & Criteria (2:50 p.m.)

Recess at 3:00 p.m. until Thursday, February 17th at 9:00 a.m.

Thursday, February 17, 2022

- 12.0 Call to Order – Roll Call, Verification of Quorum (9:00 a.m.)**
- 13.0 Review and Approve Agenda (9:02 a.m.)**
- 14.0 Questions and Comments from Audience (9:03 a.m.)**
- 15.0 Reports (9:05 a.m.)**
 - 15.1 Hydrologic Conditions, including updates from the Division Engineers for Water Divisions 4 and 7 – Bob Hurford and Rob Genualdi (9:05 a.m.)
 - 15.2 Update from Roundtable Colorado River Subcommittee - Ken Curtis & Ed Tolen (9:25 a.m.)

- 15.3 Director Reports
- 15.4 Summary and Acceptance of Year End 2021 Treasurer’s Report
- 15.5 Board Committee Reports (Finance Committee Meeting January 18th)
 - 15.5.1 Proposed Assignment of a Portion of the FY2021 Year End Fund Balance
 - 15.5.2 SWCD Short-Term & Long-Term Cash Management
 - 15.5.3 Proposed SWCD Investment Policy
- 15.6 Water Information Program Report
- 15.7 Outstanding Waters Update
- 15.8 Engineering Report
 - 15.8.1 Upper Colorado & San Juan River Basin Recovery Implementation Programs

16.0 Staff Report (10:10 a.m.)

- 16.1 Colorado River Basin Hydrologic Conditions
- 16.2 2022 CWCB Proposed Instream Flow Program Recommendations
 - 16.2.1 Spring Creek, Division 4
- 16.3 Proposed SWCD’s Strategic Plan and 2022 SWCD Action Plan
- 16.4 Proposed Agenda & Budget: SWCD 38th Annual Water Seminar
- 16.5 Draft Newsletter for Board Review
- 16.6 Lower Basin Tour New Dates: November 2-4, 2022
- 16.7 General Manager Activities

17.0 Legislative Affairs (10:35 a.m.)

- 17.1 Federal Affairs Update
 - 17.1.1 Proposed Good Samaritan Legislation
- 17.2 State Legislative Update & Positions on Bills

18.0 Partner Updates & Presentations (11:35 a.m.)

- 18.1 Water 22 Campaign Update and Sponsorship Request - Jayla Poppleton
- 18.2 Update from Center for Snow and Avalanche Studies - Jeff Derry

19.0 Executive Session (11:55 a.m.)

- 19.1 Colorado River Compact, Interstate and Intrastate negotiation matters, including re-negotiation of the interim guidelines

20.0 Summary and Action Items from Executive Session (12:20 p.m.)

21.0 Adjournment (12:30 p.m.)

Upcoming Meetings

Thursday, March 3, 2022	12:00 p.m.	Special Board Meeting (Legislative Update)
Thursday, March 17, 2022	12:00 p.m.	Special Board Meeting (Legislative Update)
Thursday, March 31, 2022	Time TBD	Regular Board Meeting (Plan for in-person)
Friday, April 1, 2022	8:00 a.m.	SWCD’s Southwest Seminar (Hybrid format)