

**Southwestern Water Conservation District  
Board of Directors Meeting—Teleconference  
NO QUORUM – MEETING NOTES  
February 21, 2018**

**Present:** J.R. Ford† David Guilliamst Rusty Hingert  
Doug Stowe†

**Absent:** Bob Wolff Monte Naslund Jenny Russell  
Don Schwindt Charlie Smith

**Staff:** Bruce Whitehead, SWCD Executive Director†  
Laura Spann, SWCD Programs Coordinator

**Guests:** Orla Bannan, Western Resources Advocates†  
Steve Fearn, Colorado Water Congress  
Steve Garchar, Dolores County Commissionert  
Marcel Gatzambide, San Juan Citizens Alliance†  
Beth Van Vurst, Fairfield and Woodst†

*†Participated by phone.*

Doug Stowe called the work session to order at 9:00 a.m. Roll was taken and a quorum was not present. No action was taken during the teleconference.

## **Old Business**

### **Legislative Update & Position on Bills (No action taken)**

*(time: 00:01:00)*

The Colorado Water Congress (CWC) State Affairs Committee met on February 20 to discuss water legislation introduced thus far during the 2018 Legislative Session. Staff explained the recently introduced bills and relayed the status of bills that were discussed previously. The summary document (Legislative Report #2018-04) was referenced. The following bills were discussed:

#### **HB 1201 – Severance Tax Voter-Approved Revenue Change**

CWC has discussed this bill.

#### **SB 167 - Enforce Requirements 811 Locate Underground Facilities**

CWC has discussed this bill.

SWCD's proposed legislation to change the meeting requirements from specific dates to every three months has not yet been introduced. Northern Water proposed reservoir release for wildlife mitigation legislation will be introduced this week as well.

#### **SJM – 004 Memorialize Ray Kogovsek**

CWC will submit a letter of support for the memorial to Ray's family.

#### **HB 1151 – CWCB Approve Deficit Irrigation Pilot Projects**

CWC took no action on this bill.

#### **HB 1199 – Aquifer Storage-and-Recovery Plans**

CWC took no position, with possible action next week.

**HB 1215 – Safe Disposal Naturally Occur Radioactive Material**

CWC will be discussed as an action item next week.

**SB 143 – Parks & Wildlife Measure to Increase Funding**

CWC took no position.

**SB 134 – Public Utilities Commission Deregulate Nonprofit Water Utilities**

CWC acted to monitor this bill.

**Questions/Comments from Audience**

*(time: 00:20:30)*

There were no comments or questions.

**Next Meetings**

Wednesday, March 7	9:00am	Board Teleconference
Wednesday, March 21	9:00am	Board Teleconference