

**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 on

Thursday, April 4, 2019

SWCD Office
841 E 2nd Avenue
Durango, Colorado
9:00am-5:00pm

Friday, April 5, 2019

DoubleTree Hotel Ballroom
501 Camino del Rio
Durango, Colorado
8:00am-4:15pm

Revised, Posted & Noticed April 3, 2019

Tentative Agenda

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 take action 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 consensus 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.

A call-in option will be available for the meeting, and if possible, please contact Laura Spann at (970) 247-1302 in advance of the meeting to verify and record your participation. Phone option: Call (605) 475-5618, Passcode 797282#

Thursday, April 4, 2019

1.0 Call to Order – Roll Call, Verification of Quorum and Pledge of Allegiance (9:00 a.m.)

2.0 Review and Approve Agenda (9:05 a.m.)

3.0 Executive Session (9:10 a.m.)

3.1 Colorado River Discussions

- 3.1.1 Interstate and Intra-State Drought Contingency Planning Efforts and Strategy, including demand management
- 3.2 Proposed Instream Flow Appropriation on Himes Creek
- 3.3 Proposed Instream Flow Appropriations on Disappointment Creek
- 3.4 CWCB Instream Flow Program and Section 37-92-102(3)(b)

General Session (11:00 a.m.)

4.0 Approve and/or Remove Consent Agenda Items

5.0 Consent Agenda (11:05 a.m.)

- 5.1 Approval of Minutes (Feb 6, Feb 12-13, Feb 20, March 6, March 13, March 20)
- 5.2 Approval of Treasurer’s Report (February 2019)

6.0 Reports (11:10 a.m.)

6.1 Partner Updates

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| <i>CPW</i> | <i>CWCB</i> | <i>DWR</i> | <i>SJCA</i> | <i>TU</i> | <i>USBLM</i> |
| <i>USBR</i> | <i>USFS</i> | <i>USGS</i> | <i>CRWUA</i> | <i>CWC</i> | <i>WRA</i> |
| <i>WIP</i> | <i>Kogovsek</i> | <i>CWR&PDA</i> | <i>Roundtable</i> | <i>IBCC</i> | <i>WEco</i> |

- 6.2 Board Member Updates
- 6.3 Hydrologic Conditions Update
- 6.4 Office Update

7.0 Questions and Comments from Audience (11:50 a.m.)

Lunch (12:00 p.m.)

8.0 Old Business

- 8.1 Colorado River matters, including discussion with CWCB staff **(12:45 p.m.)**
 - 8.1.1 West Slope Risk Assessment Study – Phase III
 - 8.1.2 Upper Basin and Intra-State Drought Contingency Planning Efforts, including exploration of demand management
 - 8.1.3 Public Outreach, SW Basin Roundtable, West Slope Roundtable Summit
 - 8.1.4 Colorado River Water Bank Working Group
- 8.2 Waters of the United States (WOTUS) Proposed Rule
- 8.3 2019 Proposed Instream Flow Appropriations on Himes and Disappointment Creeks
- 8.4 Legislative Update & Position on Bills
- 8.5 Update on Permanent Radar for Southwestern Colorado
- 8.6 Potential Revenue Impacts from Gallagher Amendment

9.0 New Business (3:00 p.m.)

- 9.1 Tres Rios Preliminary Environmental Assessment, Areas of Critical Environmental Concern
- 9.2 CWCB Proposed Instream Flow Appropriations for 2020
- 9.3 Stream Management Planning Update (San Miguel, Upper San Juan, Animas)
- 9.4 Water Conservation Program on the San Miguel River

10.0 Engineering Report (3:30 p.m.)

- 10.1 Upper Colorado & San Juan River Basin Recovery Implementation Programs
 - 10.1.1 Navajo Reservoir Operations
- 10.2 Colorado River Water Bank Working Group
- 10.3 West Slope Risk Assessment Study – Phase III
- 10.4 Animas Watershed Partnership
- 10.5 Paradox Salinity Unit

11.0 General Counsel Legal Report (3:45 p.m.)

- 11.1 Memorandum of Agreement with San Juan County regarding the San Juan County Conditional Water Rights (05CW88)
- 11.2 13CW3040 City of Ouray
- 11.3 14CW3011 San Luis Valley WCD
- 11.4 Water Court Resume Review (Divisions 3, 4, 7)
- 11.5 SUIT Tribal Water Quality Standards

13.0 Executive Session (4:00 p.m.)

- Process and criteria for hiring new Executive Director
- SWCD Cost Share Agreement with the Animas La Plata Water Conservancy District

Continue meeting to Friday, April 5, at 8 am at the DoubleTree

Friday, April 5

1.0 Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance– Roll Call and Verification of Quorum (8:00 a.m.)

2.0 Review and Approve Agenda (8:05 a.m.)

3.0 Executive Session (as needed) (8:10 a.m.)

4.0 New Business (8:30 a.m.)

- 4.1 Discussion of Executive Director job search goals, including job description, deadline for applications and hiring process

Break (9:45 a.m.)

- 4.2 Climate and Drought in Southwest Colorado, including presentation by Brad Udall, Colorado Water Institute (10:00 a.m.)

Working Lunch (12:15 p.m.)

- 4.3 Board Discussion: Challenges for Southwest Colorado, SWCD’s Opportunities
Public Input (1:30 p.m.)

Break (2:15 p.m.)

- Identifying Next Steps (2:30 p.m.)

- 4.4 Finalize Executive Director job search goals (3:15 p.m.)

5.0 Adjournment (4:15 p.m.)

Upcoming Meetings

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| Wednesday, April 17, 2019 | 9:00 a.m. | Board Teleconference |
| Tuesday, April 30, 2019 | 9:00 a.m. | Board Teleconference |
| Tuesday, May 7, 2019 | 9:00 a.m. | Board Meeting (TBD) |
| Wednesday, May 8, 2019 | 9:00 a.m. | Board Meeting (TBD) |