

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**

Monday, October 4, 2021

8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

8:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

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Posted and Noticed Friday, October 1, 2021

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.

Monday, October 4, 2021

1.0 Call to Order – Roll Call, Verification of Quorum (8:30 a.m.)

2.0 Review and Approve Agenda (8:32 a.m.)

3.0 Approve and/or Remove Consent Agenda Items (8:33 a.m.)

4.0 Consent Agenda (8:34 a.m.)

4.1 Approval of Minutes (August 11, 2021; September 8, 2021; September 13, 2021)

4.2 Acceptance of Treasurer's Report (August 2021)

5.0 Questions and Comments from Audience (8:35 a.m.)

6.0 Reports (8:40 a.m.)

- 6.1 Director Reports
- 6.2 Water Information Program Report
- 6.3 Southwest Basins Roundtable Report
- 6.4 Colorado River Basin Hydrologic Conditions

7.0 Staff Reports (9:20 a.m.)

- 7.1 Virtual Meeting Protocols
- 7.2 Proposed 2022 SWCD Employee Health Plans
- 7.3 Proposed 2022 SWCD Meeting & Holiday Schedule
- 7.4 Proposals for Professional Auditing Services
- 7.5 Proposed Scope of Work with Hydros Consulting for Downscaling of Phase III Risk Study Modeling within southwest Colorado
- 7.6 SWCD Letter of Support for Colorado Aerial Snow Observatory's Request for CWCB Funding
- 7.7 SB20-048 Anti-Speculation Workgroup Report
- 7.8 SWCD's Strategic Plan Discussion
- 7.9 General Manager Activities Report

Break (10:20 a.m.)

8.0 Old Business (10:30 a.m.)

- 8.1 Federal Affairs Update
- 8.2 Proposed Consulting Services Contract for State Legislative Representation & Lobbying
- 8.3 Congressional Redistricting
- 8.4 Water Quality Updates
 - Outstanding Waters Candidate Streams in Southwestern Colorado
 - Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Water Quality Standards
 - Bonita Peak Community Advisory Group
- 8.5 Proposed Legislation to Establish Dolores River National Conservation Area

9.0 New Business (11:30 a.m.)

- 9.1 Tri-State Generation & Transmission Association's San Miguel River Enhancement Program and Case No. 21CW3039
- 9.2 Science on the Fly: Water Quality Sampling Sites in Southwest Colorado

Lunch Break (12:15 p.m.)

10.0 New Business (continued) (1:15 p.m.)

- 10.1 Review of SWCD's Draft FY2022 Budget, Draft Budget Message, and Related Topics
- 10.2 2022 Proposed Scope of Work for Water Information Program Independent Contractor

11.0 Engineering Report (2:00 p.m.)

- 11.1 Upper Colorado & San Juan River Basin Recovery Implementation Programs
- 11.2 Animas Watershed Partnership - Proposed Animas River Stream Management Plan

12.0 General Counsel Legal Report (2:30 p.m.)

- 12.1 Proposed Second Amendment to IGA with La Plata County for the Animas Service Area Conditional Water Right
- 12.2 Proposed Property Tax Increment Revenue Agreement with the Durango Urban Renewal Authority
- 12.3 Guideline 2021-1- State Engineer’s Procedure to Confirm the Extent of Claimed Unadjudicated Uses or Exchanges of Water Being Made on the Date of Appropriation of an Instream Flow Water Right
- 12.4 August Water Court Resume Review (Divisions 3, 4, 7)
 - 12.4.1 Case No. 21CW3039, Tri-State Generation & Transmission Association, Div. 4

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

13.0 Call to Order – Roll Call, Verification of Quorum (8:30 a.m.)

14.0 Review and Approve Agenda (8:32 a.m.)

15.0 Executive Session (8:35 a.m.)

- 15.1 Montezuma Valley Irrigation Company, Case No. 18CW3052, Division 7
- 15.2 San Miguel River Basin Water Supply Planning
- 15.3 Use of Transmountain Water Rights Originating within the District
- 15.4 Colorado River Compact, Interstate and Intrastate negotiation matters, including re-negotiation of the interim guidelines

16.0 Summary and Action Items from Executive Session (10:50 a.m.)

17.0 Adjournment (11:00 a.m.)

Upcoming Meetings

Wednesday, December 8 and Thursday, December 9 (if needed), 2021

Regular Board Meeting