



**DRAFT SEPTEMBER 2016 MEETING MINUTES**

RMWEA/RMSAWWA Joint Water Reuse Committee / WaterReuse Colorado

**September 1, 2016 at 1:00 pm**

**Plum Creek Water Reclamation Authority**

4255 N US Highway 85, Castle Rock, CO 80108

Please note new call in number: 303-481-7001 (no PIN is needed)

**In attendance:**

See attached sign in sheet.

**1. Presentations by 2015 Scholarship Recipients**

Victoria Billings and Stephanie Riley gave presentations regarding their research.

**2. Pollution Prevention Advisory Board**

Patty Mason, Chair of the Colorado Pollution Prevention Advisory Board, and Lindsay Weber, Vice Chair, introduced themselves and gave a short introduction regarding the Board, whose priorities/tasks include:

- Promoting water reuse.
- Visiting stakeholders.
- Addressing hurdles of water reuse.
- Supporting legislation.
- Supporting the overall goals of Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE).
- Forming strategic partnerships.

**3. CDPHE-WQCD Items**

- a. Reg 84 New Uses/CDPHE Funding Committee (Damian/Dave) - The Committee is currently working on avenues for funding and will have an update at a future time.
- b. Graywater Non-Traditional Uses (Tara) - No updates.

**4. Subcommittee Updates**

- a. Scholarships (Tara) - Winners of the 2016 scholarships have been chosen, and will be presented with their awards today (September 1) at the awards banquet immediately following the Water Reuse meeting.

- b. Website and Social Media (Steve & Damian) – Please pass along any interesting items/articles to Steve Ravel or Damian Higham so that that can be posted on WRCO's social media.

Facebook: [watereusecolorado](#)

Twitter: [WateReuseCO](#)

Linkedin: [groups/8230476](#)

If someone is social media savvy and interested in posting/tweeting on WRCO's social media, please let Laura know.

- c. Annual WRCO Awards and Presentation Event today (September 1) at Rockyard Brewery.

Discussion was held as to the promotion of local award winners attending the national event if they win nationally; and the possibility of including a small monetary award for local winners that can be applied toward travel to the national awards presentation if they win nationally.

- d. Industrial Reuse Committee (Abbey) - The National Industrial Reuse Committee is planning the *Industrial Reuse Conference*, to be held May 21 – 23, 2017 in Atlanta, Georgia. There will be invited speakers only (no call for abstracts). The Industrial Reuse Committee meeting at the National Symposium is Monday morning, for those interested in attending.
- e. WRCO DPR Project/Potable Reuse (John) - The project is underway. John is currently organizing regulatory and outreach workgroups; and inviting people from other parts of the country for additional perspective, experiences and background information that will be discussed at the workgroup meetings. He plans a total of four workgroup meetings for each of the regulatory and outreach areas. John will continue to provide updates and answer questions any time.

A third component, technical issues, will not have a workgroup. John is looking at some existing technical tools that are available and, if applicable, perhaps adapting them to Colorado.

A December 2017 end date is anticipated, at which time a final report and other deliverables (outreach materials, etc.) will be provided.

- f. Membership (Richard) – No update

## 5. Other Business

- a. Salinity Related Research (Brenley) - No update.
- b. Colorado Water Congress Summer Conference (Laura)  
Water Congress was held in Steamboat last week. Thanks to John and Abbey, who ran the sessions and provided a broad exposure of water reuse for a larger audience.

## 6. WRCO Items

- a. July 2016 Minutes – The July draft minutes were late in getting distributed. They will be approved in November, after everyone has a chance to review them.
- b. WRCO Treasurer's Report for this Month (Jason) - Jason discussed the current income statement and balance sheet.
- c. November Strategic Planning preparation (Laura) – Our November Strategic Planning Meeting will be held November 3, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm at City of Aurora. Lunch will be provided. If anyone has an idea of topics, let Laura and/or Brenley know.

One possible item of discussion: It might be helpful to come out of the Planning Meeting with action items that make sense for other stakeholders. This may dovetail into a Public Outreach Workshop, and the possibility of hiring a facilitator to brainstorm ideas. Perhaps also get experts in lobbying together in one room to talk.

## 7. WRCO Business

Pins/brochures with WRCO's old logo are still available. Richard has the pins. Jodi has the brochures.

## 8. WRA/WRRF Items

- a. Water Reuse Association Updates (Richard) – Water Environment and Reuse Foundation (WE&RF) is now official.

There is an International Water Conference from July 22 to 27, 2017 in Long Beach, California. Abstracts are due September 26, 2016.

- b. Research (John) – no update

## 9. AWWA/RMWEA/WEF Items

- a. AWWA Water Reuse Committee Updates (Tara) – no update.

Alex stated that the AWWA Reuse Committee submitted two webinar proposals, and that they are working to update their water reuse map and database. Tara has a more recent map, and will send it to Alex.

- b. WEF Water Reuse Committee Updates (Frank) – Frank attended a WEF Water Reuse Committee meeting on July 21. The group wants to make sure subcommittees are “on track” for main WEF committee meeting Sunday September 25 at WEFTEC. There will be a new WEF publication regarding minimal liquid discharge for brine that is anticipated to be published next year. Frank will provide more updates at our November strategic meeting.
- c. RMWEA/RMSAWWA Annual Conference (Allegra) – There is a reuse track on Wednesday, September 14 at the Conference.

- d. Colorado Groundwater Conference – The American Ground Water Trust *Colorado Groundwater Conference*, "Everything Aquifers and Groundwater Management" will be held in Denver November 16, 2016.

## 10. Upcoming Conferences

- a. 31st Annual WateReuse Symposium, Sept 11-14, Tampa, FL
- b. RMSAWWA/RMWEA Joint Annual Conference, Sept 11-14, Keystone, CO
- c. WEFTEC 2016, Sept 24-28, 2016, New Orleans, LA
- d. Potable Reuse Summit, Oct 17-18, Oklahoma City, OK
- e. Water Infrastructure, Oct 30-Nov 2, Phoenix, AZ
- f. WQTC, Nov 13-17, Indianapolis, IN
- g. Colorado Groundwater Conference, November 16, 2016; Denver, CO
- h. Industrial Reuse Conference for May 21 – 23, 2017 in Atlanta, Georgia;
- i. International Water Conference July 22 – 27, 2017 in Long Beach
- j. October 4, 2016 – Water Build Water Summit; at Greenbuild in Los Angeles

## 11. Future Meeting Schedule

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| November 3 | City of Aurora; 2017 Strategic Planning in the morning followed by regular meeting in the afternoon. |
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