



FOUNTAIN CREEK WATERSHED

Flood Control And Greenway District

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Technical Advisory Committee

DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 1, 2024 – 1:00 PM

1. Call to Order, Introductions, and Establishment of a Quorum: The meeting was held virtually via a Zoom video conference call and in-person at the City of Fountain Operations Center. A quorum was established, the meeting was called to order at 1:06 p.m. Introduction of new members.

Committee Members in Attendance

Aaron Brice	Pueblo County
Andrew Callaghan	City of Pueblo
Andrew Rippe	Fort Carson
Annie Berlemann	Colorado Springs Utilities, Watershed Planning
Ben Sheets	City of Fountain
Beth Nosker	State of Colorado, Division of Water Resources
Brian Mihlbachler	USAFA
Christina Prete	El Paso County
Dominga Jimenez-Garcia	Pueblo County
Erin Powers	City of Colorado Springs, SWENT
Jeff Rice	El Paso County, Engineering
Jonathan Griffen	Pueblo County
Jonathan Moore	Fountain Sanitation District
Melissa Whittengslow	Fort Carson, Stormwater
Mark Shea	Colorado Springs Utilities, Watershed Planning
Terry Hart	CAG Chair

Others in Attendance:

Abah Dwivedy	City of Fountain
Alli Schuch	Fountain Creek Watershed District, Executive Director
Andrew Hayes	Pueblo Public Works
Ann Werner	PPACG
Gary Rapp	Citizen
Ian Paton	WWE
Lisa Bright-Unger	Division of Water Resources, District 10 Commissioner
Rich	Fort Carson
Shelly Cobalt	Citizen/IMEG
Steven Rodriguez	Fountain Creek Watershed District, Operations Manager
Trip	Pueblo County

2. Approve Agenda for the May 1, 2024: Agenda reviewed and approved by consensus.

3. Approve Minutes of the April 3, 2024: Minutes approved by consensus.

4. TAC Member Comments:

- a. None

5. Public Comments:

- a. Introduction of new attendee. Shelly Cobalt with Citizen and with IMEG.

6. Presentations:

- a. Fort Carson Directorate of Public Works Stormwater Program – Andrew Rippe
FCCO is 3rd largest employer in CO, behind DIA and State of CO with an area of 373000 acres. The population of Fort Carson is 74,214 with 77% of soldiers living off post. There are 5 subbasins that drain to Fountain Creek. Development is entirely in the cantonment area, with anything south being down range. EPA requires monitoring of 5 basins-see presentation map. 4 permits (MS4, multi sector general permit MSGP, NPDES construction general permit CGP, USACE Regional general permit No. 14 (404/dredge and fill)). EPA has jurisdictional authority. USACE No. 14 is for construction activities in WOTUS.

MS4

- 6 stormwater control measures (presentation),
- Public E/O, Public Involvement and Participation, Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination, sample for TSS, pH, chemical oxygen demand), construction site runoff control, post construction stormwater management, pollution prevention and good housekeeping.
- Fort Carson has 5 permitted industrial sites (hazardous waste storage family, wastewater treatment plant, rail yard, range 121, arrival and departure airfield control group).
- SIC and Sector Specific Requirements – how and what analytes need to be sampled and analyzed.
- Inspections – each industrial sites have routine and visual inspection conducted quarterly, benchmark and indicator monitoring and required are sector depended (pH, TSS and COD are monitored quarterly for entire permit (DMRs).
- Construction General Permit
New projects/construction process, construction general permit, enforcement (EPA Reporting)

7. Reports:

- a. District Board/Water Activity Enterprise Board/Project Updates: Alli Schuch reported that the District Board and Water Activity Enterprise Board met on April 19, 2024. Eagleridge update and finalizing design from third-party review. Richard Mulledy gave a presentation of City of Colorado Springs Stormwater, and Ann Warner and Brian Mhlbachler on gave a presentation on Pine Creek stormwater. The District is finalizing its rebranding effort. The District did receive a grant for a bike tour in Pueblo and has applied for an urban agricultural grant to support urban agriculture efforts (no match required) and will know by September. Update meeting with CWCB on water planning and design grant and this grant will be submitted in August. Pikes Peak Waterways (COS Creek Plan) met with CWCB and encouraged PPW to work with District on submitting grants (GOG to ATB). Colorado College has been working on geomorphology of District projects and created StoryMaps, which will be posted on the District website. The next

meeting is May 17, 2024, at 9:00 am on Zoom and in-person at Fountain City Hall. Presentation on the Loop Project.

- b. Monetary Mitigation Fund Advisory Committee: The MMFAC met on April 17, 2024. Update on In-Lieu Fee, CDOT presentation on HWY 50 project and third-party project review. Continued work on 2025 CIP. Little over \$20M in the bank, \$10M remains unallocated. The next meeting on May 15, 2024, at 10:00 am on Zoom or in-person.
 - c. Citizens Advisory Group: Terry Hart reported the CAG met April 12, 2024. Presentation on the Summer Watering Program from Lisa Pace with Colorado Springs Utilities. Second presentation on Colorado College Geomorphology StoryMaps. Discussion on strategic planning and District branding. The next meeting is May 10, 2024, held virtually. Panel on the state of the unhoused in El Paso County.
 - d. AFCURE: The next meeting is May 7, 2024.
8. New Business:
- a. None
9. Ongoing Business:
- a. Partnership Projects – discussion through the ILF.
 - b. In-Lieu Fee – Steve Rodriguez gave an update on the progress of the ILF. Focus has been on a service area and species of concern. Steve will be working with coordination with USACE.
 - c. Regional/Military Stormwater Subcommittee – presentations will continue for part II.
10. Future Business
- a. Military Stormwater – (May and August)
 - b. NRCS Project on Fountain Creek – Jonathan Moore (August)
 - c. Jimmy Camp Creek Drainage Basin Fee Setting (Jeff Rice, summer/fall)
 - d. USAFA Update – Ann Werner and Brian Mihlbachler (fall/winter)
 - e. AF CURE nutrient white paper and/or PFAS
 - f. Dredge and Fill permitting
 - g. Exit 104 Potential Creek Crossing Project – Pueblo Public Works (fall/winter)
 - h. Tours – See Doodle Poll on Ft. Carson tour.
11. Set Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting: The next meeting is on August 7, 2024, at 1:00, on Zoom and in-person.
12. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m. by consensus.