

Interbasin Compact Committee  
**Southwest Basin Roundtable**  
BIP Update Special Roundtable Meeting  
Zoom Video Conference  
June 24, 2021

**Members Present:**

Ken Beegles	At Large Industrial	Al Pfister	San Juan WCD
John Currier	CO River Water Conservation District	Kathy Rall	Southern Ute Indian Tribe
Ken Curtis	Dolores Water Conservancy District	Gretchen Rank	At Large Member
Bill Frownfelter	At Large Member	Gigi Richard	At Large Member
Karen Guglielmon	San Miguel Municipalities	Charlie Smith	San Juan County
Brandon Johnson	At Large Agricultural	Ed Tolen	At Large Domestic Water
April Montgomery	San Miguel County	Mely Whiting	At Large Environmental
John Ott	Water Quality Control Commission	Robin Young	Archuleta County

**Public:**

Stacy Beagh (Basin Implementation Plan Update Local Expert Team), Carrie Padgett (Basin Implementation Plan Update Local Expert Team), Laura Spann (Southwest Water Conservation District, Roundtable Recorder), Danielle Snyder (Basin Implementation Plan Update General Contractor Team), Archie House (Ute Mountain Ute Tribe), Adam Reeves (Southern Ute Indian Tribe), Elaine Chick (PEPO Liaison), Leland Begay (Ute Mountain Ute Tribe), Ryan Unterreiner (Colorado Parks and Wildlife), Blake Mamich (Southern Ute Indian Tribe), Celene Hawkins (CWCB Board Liaison), Seth Murrell, Mike Preston (Ute Mountain Ute Tribe), Eric Bikis, Kirk Vincent

**Anticipated Outcomes**

Learn the status of the BIP Update Process.

Learn where to review Volume 2 and provide comments on draft sub-basin documents.

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**1. Welcome, Goals for the Day and Review Agenda (3:00 to 3:05)**

Carrie Padgett, Basin Implementation Plan Local Expert Team (BIP LE Team), called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm and reviewed the agenda with meeting participants. The agenda was amended to include a new agenda item focused the principles and strategies discussion conducted by email prior to the meeting today. The goals for the day were also reviewed with the group (see below).

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- Learn where to review Volume 2 and provide comments on draft sub-basin documents.
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**2. Zoom Logistics, Introductions, and Meeting/Decision Agreements**

Stacy Beagh, BIP LE Team, provided an overview of Zoom meeting logistics, meeting agreements, and introductions.

**3. Principles and Strategies Discussion and Follow Up**

The Roundtable subcommittee had numerous email exchanges prior to today's meeting. These emails focused on discussion of three draft strategies and one draft principle. Subcommittee members disagreed about the implications of the principle pertaining to downstream threats from other states. During the meeting, representatives of the native American tribes provided and Roundtable member expressed their positions as it pertains to threats from downstream users. This discussion led to Roundtable members requesting a future in depth look at tribal settlements and water rights in Southwest Colorado. A future Roundtable workshop and page on new website specific to the tribes was recommended.

Comments were also provided on the three draft strategies up for discussion. The LE Team will take these comments and incorporate them into the draft Volume 1. The LE Team was directed by the subcommittee to work with the Colorado Parks and Wildlife liaison while updating the strategies relating to invasive species and endangered species. The LE Team will send out updated draft language after this meeting to the subcommittee for their review.

#### **4. 2021 BIP Update Process and Timeline**

Carrie Padgett, BIP LE Team, reviewed the upcoming schedule and BIP approval process with the group. The upcoming Roundtable review period will occur in July and August of 2021. The LE Team will release Volume 2 for review at the beginning of July for review. The Roundtable review of Volume 2 will start in mid-August. After the review periods, comments will be incorporated into the draft Volume 1 and 2 documents. A public review period will occur from October 13 through November 15, 2021. BIPs are to be finalized in late December and early January 2022 with a release date of late January 2022.

#### **5. 2021 BIP Volume 2 Review**

Carrie Padgett, BIP LE Team, walked the group through the draft Volume 1 for Animas Subbasin. This walkthrough provided a preview of the story map that was developed for each subbasin as well as the interactive map(s) developed for the subbasins. A Word document will be provided to the Roundtable for their review of Volume 2 to allow comments to be made using track changes.

#### **6. IPP List Review**

Carrie Padgett, BIP LE Team, provided a summary of past grants awarded to the Southwest Basins Roundtable. This grants summary showed how many grants were awarded in each subbasin along with total grant costs awarded by subbasin. Carrie Padgett also provided an overview of achievements highlighted in Volume 1. Kathy Rall recommended an achievement by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe also be included.

#### **7. Upcoming Meetings**

The following upcoming meeting were announced.

- July 21 & 22, 2021 CWCB Board Meetings
- July 29, 2021 Regular Roundtable Meeting
- October 28, 2021 Regular Roundtable Meeting