MINUTES
SPECIAL JOINT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE COLORADO RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
AND OF THE COLORADO RIVER WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS COLORADO RIVER WATER PROJECTS ENTERPRISE

April 2, 2015

Pursuant to notice duly and properly given, a special joint meeting telephone conference of the Board of Directors of the Colorado River Water Conservation District (CRWCD) and of the Colorado River Water Conservation District acting by and through its Colorado River Water Projects Enterprise was held on Thursday, April 2, 2015, at the offices of the Colorado River Water Conservation District, 201 Centennial Street, Glenwood Springs, Colorado.

Directors participating during all or part of the meeting:
Jon Stavney, President
John Ely
Rebie Hazard
David Merritt
Doug Monger
Tom Alvey, Vice-President
Alden Vanden Brink
Stan Whinnery
Martha Whitmore

Directors not participating:
Marc Catlin
Tom Gray
John Justman
Gary Martinez
James Newberry
William Trampe

Others participating during all or part of the meeting:
Laurie DePaolo, Executive Assistant, CRWCD
Peter Fleming, General Counsel, CRWCD
Eric Kuhn, General Manager, CRWCD
Ian Philips, Accountant, CRWCD
Jim Pokrandt, Director, Community Affairs, CRWCD
Chris Treese, Manager, External Affairs, CRWCD
Audrey Turner, Administrative Chief, CRWCD
Jason Turner, Senior Counsel, CRWCD
Danny Williams, Corporate Advocates

Quorum.
President Stavney found a quorum and called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

Compact Water Bank (CA13022) and Yampa/White/Green Basin Implementation Plan (CA14004)
Peter Fleming recommended that due to major personnel changes at AMEC Environmental and Infrastructure, Inc., the two contracts (referenced above) be terminated and that Hydros Consulting, Inc. be engaged to complete the remaining work on the Compact Water Bank and the Yampa/White/Green Basin Implementation Plan.

Director Vanden Brink moved, seconded by Director Whinnery, to enter into contracts with Hydros Consulting, Inc., subject to General Manager and General Counsel approval, and to complete remaining work under the above projects and contracts. Motion carried unanimously.

State Affairs.
Chris Treese presented and the Board acted on the following legislative matters:

SB 15-253 CONCERNING THE FUNDING OF COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD (CWCB) PROJECTS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

1An audio recording has been made of the meeting. The motions described herein may not necessarily represent a verbatim transcription. The audio recordings are available for listening at the CRWCD offices during regular office hours. These minutes are the official record of the Colorado River Water Conservation District’s meeting.
This bill is the annual CWCB Construction Fund Projects’ authorization bill. This year’s bill includes, among other provisions, funds to assist with the Lower Gunnison Basin Regional Conservation Partnership Program and weather modification (cloud seeding).

Director Merritt moved, seconded by Director Ely, to support SB 15-253. Motion carried unanimously.

**SB 15-255 CONCERNING SEVERANCE TAX TRANSFER**

This bill requires $20 million of the state severance tax receipts received from the effective date of the bill until the end of the current fiscal year to be deposited in the General Fund. This is projected to require a reduction in Tier II funding.

Director Whinnery, seconded by Director Hazard, to oppose the provision transferring severance tax money in SB 15-253. Motion carried unanimously.

**General Manager Update.**

Eric Kuhn reported that the water year is shaping up to be a similar year to 2012, Colorado will have a very dry year. Lake Powell will likely be about 50% of normal and will increase pressure for Water Bank and Demand Management planning.

**Adjournment:**

There being no other business before the Board, President Stavney adjourned the meeting at 12:31 p.m.

[Signature]

Jon Stavney, President

**ATTEST:**

[Signature]

R. Eric Kuhn, Secretary/General Manager