



**COLORADO RIVER DISTRICT**  
PROTECTING WESTERN COLORADO WATER SINCE 1937

## AGENDA

# Second Regular Joint Quarterly 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 16-17, 2024

9:00 a.m.

This Meeting Will be Held at 201 Centennial Street, Suite 100  
Glenwood Springs, Colorado 81601  
and via Zoom

Please See Registration/Attendance Information Below

*PLEASE NOTE: The River District meeting will be held in-person at 201 Centennial Street, Suite 100, Glenwood Springs, CO. Board members may participate remotely upon extenuating circumstances. Members of the public may attend in person or virtually via Zoom. To attend or observe the meeting via Zoom, please register on our website at [www.coloradoriverdistrict.org](http://www.coloradoriverdistrict.org).*

9:00 a.m.	1. Review Meeting Agenda and Objectives.
9:05 a.m.	2. Consent Agenda: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>a. Approval of Minutes and Actions Taken:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. Minutes of First Regular Joint Quarterly Meeting, January 17-18, 2024.</li><li>ii. Minutes of Information and Outreach Committee Meeting, January 17, 2024.</li></ul></li></ul>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>iii. Minutes of Special Joint Meeting, February 22, 2024.</li> <li>iv. Minutes of Special Joint Meeting, February 28, 2024.</li> <li>v. Minutes of Special Joint Meeting, March 21, 2024.</li> <li>vi. Minutes of the Special Joint Meeting, Litigation Committee, March 27, 2024.</li> <li>vii. Minutes of the Special Joint Meeting, April 4, 2024.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b. Acceptance of Treasurer’s Reports, Check Registers, and Draft Financials for November 2023 through December 2023.</li> <li>c. Check Registers and Draft Financials for January 2024 through February 2024.</li> </ul>
<b>9:10 a.m.</b>	<p><b>3. General Counsel’s Report, Executive Session:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Matters Proposed for Executive Session: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Wolford Mountain Reservoir and Ritschard Dam Operations (An Enterprise Matter).</li> <li>ii. Colorado River Cooperative Agreement (CRCA) Implementation.</li> <li>iii. Proposed Deep Creek Wild and Scenic Designation.</li> <li>iv. Colorado River Conditional Water Rights.</li> <li>v. Application of Colorado River District, Ouray County, Ouray County Water Users Association, and Tri-County Water Conservancy District for Ram’s Horn Reservoir Project, Case No. 19CW3098, Water Division 4.</li> <li>vi. Shoshone Permanency.</li> <li>vii. Colorado River Compact and Interstate Negotiations, including System Conservation Pilot Project.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>11:30 a.m.</b>	<p><b>4. General Counsel’s Report, Public Session:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Summary and Action Items from Executive Session.</li> <li>b. Proposed Ratification of Statement of Opposition in the Application for Water Rights and Plan for Augmentation of Sun River Run Ranch, LLC and the Town of Granby, Case No. 23CW3218, Water Division 5 (An Enterprise Matter).</li> <li>c. Proposed Stipulation in Application of City and County Denver, acting by and through its Board of Water Commissioners, Case No. 22CW3215, Water Division 1.</li> <li>d. Other Items from General Counsel’s Report.</li> </ul>
<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Lunch.</b>
<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>5. Public Comment.</b>
<b>1:05 p.m.</b>	<p><b>6. General Manager’s Report:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Interstate Colorado River Update.</li> <li>b. System Conservation Pilot Project.</li> <li>c. Shoshone Water Rights Preservation Campaign Update.</li> <li>d. Staffing Update.</li> <li>e. Colorado River Basin Hydrology Report.</li> <li>f. Presentation of the Water Conservation Decision Support Tool.</li> <li>g. Contract Approval with Strategic Planning Consultant.</li> <li>h. Service Anniversary.</li> </ul>
<b>3:45 p.m.</b>	<b>Break.</b>
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>7. Directors’ Updates and Concerns.</b>



*Dinner will be provided to the Board of Directors of the Colorado River Water Conservation District, River District Staff and Invited Guests at 6:00 p.m. at Smoke Modern BBQ, 713 Grand Avenue, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601.*

**CONTINUE THE MEETING TO WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024  
COMMENCING AT 8:30 A.M.**

<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>8. Presentation by Erin Light, Division 6 Engineer, Regarding Division 6 Water Administration and Conditions.</b>
<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>9. External Affairs:</b> a. Information and Outreach Update. b. State Affairs. c. Federal Affairs.
<b>10:15 a.m.</b>	<b>Break.</b>
<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	<b>10. Annual Policy Review Discussion (Resubmission):</b> a. Agriculture Water Use. b. Colorado River Storage Project Act. c. Colorado’s Prior Appropriation Doctrine. d. Federal Water Rights. e. Upper Colorado River Recovery Program. f. Speculation in Water Resources. g. Multi-Benefit Water Projects.
<b>11:10 a.m.</b>	<b>Lunch.</b>
<b>11:40 a.m.</b>	<b>11. Community Funding Partnership (CFP) Applications:</b> a. The Sonoran Institute; Project: West Slope Growing Water Smart (and Presentation Regarding Policy Opportunities for Land Use – Water Integration). b. Blue River Watershed Group; Project: Blue River Habitat Restoration Project. c. East Mesa Water Company; Project: East Mesa Ditch Emergency Repairs. d. Pothook Water Conservancy District; Project: Little Snake River Diversion Structure Rehabilitation Project. e. Rio Blanco Water Conservancy District; Project: Wolf Creek Reservoir Project. f. Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy District; Project: Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy District Bundled Project. g. Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy District; Project: Blue Mesa Harmful Algal Bloom Study Phase 2. h. Colorado Water Trust; Project: Yampa River Reservoir Release Program. i. Approval of Elkhead Reservoir Water Supply Contract with Colorado Water Trust
<b>1:10 p.m.</b>	<b>12. Project Operations and Updates (Enterprise Matters):</b> a. Wolford Mountain Reservoir. i. Contract Approval with McDonald Farms Enterprises, Inc.
<b>1:30 p.m.</b>	<b>13. Future Meetings:</b> a. Third Regular Joint Quarterly Meeting, July 16-17, 2024, Glenwood Springs, CO.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>b. Fourth Regular Joint Quarterly Meeting, October 15-16, 2024, Glenwood Springs, CO.</li><li>c. Budget Workshop, Grand Junction, Colorado, September 19, 2024.</li><li>d. Annual Water Seminar, Grand Junction, Colorado, September 20, 2024.</li><li>e. Other Meetings:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. Colorado River District State of the River Meeting, Middle Colorado, Garfield County, May 7, 2024.</li><li>ii. Colorado River District State of the River Meeting, Grand County, May 9, 2024.</li><li>iii. Colorado River District State of the River Meeting, Summit County, May 23, 2024.</li><li>iv. Colorado River District State of the River Meeting, Eagle County, May 29, 2024.</li></ul></li></ul>
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The Board may address the agenda in any order to accommodate the needs of the Board and the Audience.

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