# ARKANSAS RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION SPECIAL MEETING APRIL 17, 2017

VIA
TELEPHONIC CONFERENCE CALL
MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2017
1:30 P.M. MDT (2:30 P.M. CDT)
[Summary of Recorded Meeting]

The following meeting summary is the official minutes of the Arkansas River Compact Administration's April 17, 2017, Special Meeting, as signed by the Chairman of the Administration, pursuant to Administration approval given on December 7, 2017 at its Annual Meeting held in Lamar, Colorado.

James T. Rizzuto, Chairman

Arkansas River Compact Administration

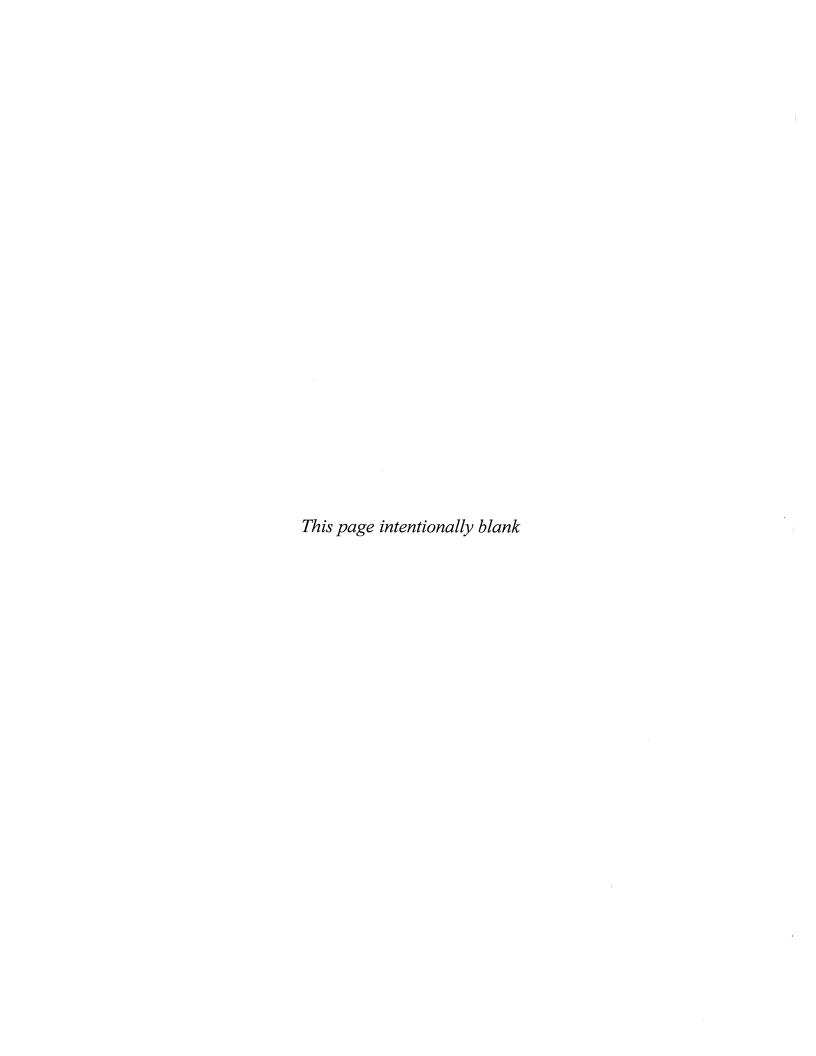
# List of Summary Attachments

A. Notice and Agenda, including draft resolution

#### **Notes**

Pursuant to its by-laws, the Administration instructed staff to prepare a written summary in lieu of a verbatim transcript, and to preserve for the record an electronic copy of the audio recording for this meeting.

The following meeting summary was prepared by staff of the Colorado Water Conservation Board from notes and audio recording, which was reviewed by staff of the Kansas Division of Water Resources, and finalized after consultation between both agencies. Audio recordings of the meeting were made by both the Colorado Water Conservation Board and the Kansas Division of Water Resources. These recordings will be made part of the ARCA record.



### 1. Call to order & roll call

Jim Rizzuto called the Special Meeting of the Arkansas River Compact Administration (ARCA) at approximately 1:30 P.M. (MDT) pursuant to the Notice attached hereto as Exhibit "A". A roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

The following ARCA representatives participated in the conference call:

Jim Rizzuto, Chairman, Federal Representative;

Lauren Ris, CWCB Acting Director and CO Representative;

Lane Malone, CO Representative;

David Barfield, Kansas Chief Engineer and KS Representative;

Hal Scheuerman, KS Representative; and

Randy Hayzlett, KS Representative and Vice-Chairman.

#### Others in attendance:

Steve Witte, Operations Secretary, Colorado Division of Water Resources, Division 2;

Kevin Salter, Assistant Operations Secretary, Kansas Division of Water Resources;

Amy Louise, US Army Corps of Engineers;

Jason Norquest, SW Kansas Groundwater Management District #3;

Mike Meyer, Kansas Division of Water Resources;

Chris Beightel, Kansas Division of Water Resources;

Dick Wolfe, Colorado State Engineer;

Bill Tyner, Colorado Division of Water Resources, Division 2;

Bethany Arnold, Colorado Division of Water Resources, Division 2;

Kelley Thompson, Colorado Division of Water Resources;

John Van Ort, Colorado Division of Water Resources, Division 2;

Phil Reynolds, Colorado Division of Water Resources, Division 2;

Brett Ackerman, Colorado Parks and Wildlife;

Rena Brand, Colorado Parks and Wildlife;

Dan Steuer, Colorado Attorney General Office;

Carlee Brown, Colorado Water Conservation Board;

Steve Miller, Colorado Water Conservation Board; and

John Stulp, CO Governor advisor.

## 2. Approval of agenda

Jim Rizzuto asked for approval of the agenda (as shown in Exhibit A):

Randy Hayzlett, Kansas, moved approval of the agenda.

Lauren Ris, Colorado, seconded the motion.

Mr. Rizzuto called the question: Kansas voted aye and Colorado voted aye.

Motion was approved

# 3. Meeting protocol and preparation of minutes/summary

Jim Rizzuto asked for the States' preference on preparation of meeting minutes

Kansas and Colorado had previously agreed to waive the use of a court recorder per ARCA by-laws. Parties were informed that the call was being recorded for purposes of preparing minutes of the meeting. The States agreed that a written summary of the

meeting and not a verbatim transcript would be sufficient. Colorado offered to prepare the initial draft meeting summary.

# 4. Introduction and explanation of March 23, 2017 agreement

Dick Wolfe provided that this resolution would allow delivery of Highland Canal water rights into the John Martin Permanent Pool pursuant to a March 23, 2017 agreement between the States of Kansas and Colorado. Mr. Wolfe explained the role of Special Engineering Committee and thanked key players from State agencies, LAWMA, and their respective consultants. He gave a brief background on the proposal and the underlying agreement between Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) and LAWMA to use Highland Canal water rights as a source for permanent pool evaporation makeup. The agreement is for a trial period, ending March 31, 2018. The subject will need to be revisited at ARCA 2017 Annual Meeting or a subsequent Special Meeting.

### 5. Discussion

Jim Rizzuto asked for discussion of the resolution.

David Barfield expressed his appreciation for work of the Special Engineering Committee and hoped for further action on other matters.

David Barfield, Kansas, moved Adoption of Resolution 2017-01. See attachment to Exhibit A for this draft.

Lauren Ris, Colorado, seconded the motion.

Mr. Rizzuto called the question: Colorado voted aye; and Kansas voted aye.

Motion was approved and the Resolution was adopted.

There was discussion of timing, signature process, and need for Corps of Engineers to also sign the resolution before it becomes effective.

### 7. Adjournment

Jim Rizzuto asked if there was a motion for to adjourn:

David Barfield, Kansas, moved adjournment of the Special Meeting; and Lauren Ris, Colorado, seconded the motion.

Mr. Rizzuto called the question: Kansas voted aye and Colorado voted aye.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:49 P.M., MDT.

#### Exhibit A

# ARKANSAS RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION

Lamar, Colorado 81052

For Colorado

Chairman and Federal Representative

For Kansas

Lauren Ris (Acting), Denver Scott Malone, Holly Scott Brazil, Vineland James T. Rizzuto, Swink

David Barfield, Topeka Randy Hayzlett, Lakin Hal Scheuerman, Deerfield

# NOTICE & AGENDA SPECIAL TELEPHONIC MEETING ARKANSAS RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION

MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2017 1:30 P.M. (MDT) / 2:30 P.M. (CDT)

The Arkansas River Compact Administration ("ARCA") will meet at the time noted above via telephonic conference call to consider Resolution 2017-01 Regarding John Martin Reservoir Permanent Pool. This resolution would allow delivery of Highland Canal water rights into the John Martin Permanent Pool pursuant to a March 23, 2017 agreement between the States of Kansas and Colorado. Copies of that agreement and the draft Resolution 2017-01 are attached to this notice.

The Colorado Water Conservation Board will be setting up the call. Call in instructions for ARCA, federal and State agency representatives will be provided separately. Please contact Steve Miller at 303-866-3441 ext. 3228 or via email at: steve.miller@state.co.us for further assistance.

Meetings of the Administration are open to the public and operated in compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act. If you wish to participate in the Special Meeting you may do so at the following listening stations:

- 1. Kansas Division Water Resources, 2508 Johns St., Garden City, KS 67846; Host: Kevin Salter, kevin.salter@ks.gov [620-276-2901]
- 2. ARCA Office, 112 West Elm Street, Lamar, CO 81052;

Host: Stephanie Gonzalez, see below

- 3. Colorado Division of Water Resources, 310 East Abriendo, Suite B, Pueblo, CO 81004 Host: Wendy Hunker, <a href="wendy.hunker@state.co.us">wendy.hunker@state.co.us</a>, 719-542-3368 x2105
- 4. Colorado Water Conservation Board, 1313 Sherman St. #721, Denver, CO 80203 Host: Steve Miller, see above

Please contact the listening station host prior to the meeting date to confirm details and seat availability. If you need a special accommodation as a result of a disability please contact Stephanie Gonzales by email at <a href="mailto:arca.co.ks@gmail.com">arca.co.ks@gmail.com</a> or phone at 719-336-3850 at least three days before the meeting.

# SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA APRIL 17, 2017

1. Call to order & roll call	Jim Rizzuto
2. Approval of agenda	Jim Rizzuto
3. Meeting protocol and preparation of minutes/summary	Jim Rizzuto
4. Introduction and explanation of March 23, 2017 agreement	Dick Wolfe
5. Discussion	Jim Rizzuto
6. Consideration of Resolution 2017-01	Jim Rizzuto
7. Adjournment (at approximately 2:00 PM MDT)	Jim Rizzuto