



FOUNTAIN CREEK

WATERSHED DISTRICT

Citizens Advisory Group Meeting

This meeting will be held online via Zoom. Meetings are open to the public.

March 14, 2025

9:30 AM – 11:30 AM

[Citizens Advisory Group Meeting Zoom Link](#)

Draft Minutes

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of a Quorum
 - a. Alli Schuch- FWCD
 - b. Susan Finzel- FWCD
 - c. Brianna Fett- FWCD
 - d. David Woolley- CAG Chair
 - e. Mary Barber- CAG Vice Chair
 - f. Terry Hart- Citizen at Large, Pueblo
 - g. Jeanette Lara- CPW
 - h. Annie Berlemann- Colorado Springs Utilities
 - i. Jessica Mills- CAG Ag. Representative
 - j. Kathy Harris- Citizen at Large
 - k. Melody Daugherty- Citizen at Large, Manitou Springs
 - l. David Burnham- Citizen at Large
 - m. Victoria Dinkel- FCNC, representing Jessica Miller
 - n. John Harner- Professor at Colorado College, Guest Speaker
 - o. Angie Martell- PPACG, Guest
2. Approve March Meeting Agenda
 - a. Approved by consensus.
3. Approve Minutes of Prior Meeting with noted change – February 14, 2024
 - a. Approved by consensus with noted change:
 - i. Attendee list needs to be updated



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4. Committee Member Comments

- a. Mary Barber discussed upcoming event at Fountain Creek Nature Center on February 19th.
- b. David Woolley mentioned that USGS has put together an ESRI storymap for the District but doesn't mention the District at all.
 - i. Alli and Brianna have asked USGS to come and present at the April Liquid Lecture and will ask them to mention the District on the ESRI storymap.

5. Presentations

- a. Profiting from the Peak- John Harner
 - i. John Harner presented two key features of Colorado Springs that significantly impact the Fountain Creek watershed. He discussed how the city has modified land cover, affecting the watershed's hydrology. Additionally, he mentioned the impact of water diversions, which bring more water into the watershed than historically present. A map illustrating the growth of Colorado Springs' city limits from 1900 to 2020 was displayed, highlighting the dramatic urban growth within the watershed.
- b. CAG 101- Alli Schuch
 - i. Alli presented an overview of the Citizens Advisory Board, explaining their purpose and emphasizing how important this group is. She also highlighted many upcoming events such as the rain barrel sale and the Great American Cleanup.

6. Current Business/Discussion

- a. Alli Schuch recapped the governing board's meeting on February 21st and gave an overview of the upcoming governing board meeting.
- b. Alli Schuch gave an updates on projects. Eagleridge is about 40% complete and a large sign is in place with District logo as well as the construction company's logo.
 - i. Southmoor is over 50% complete.
- c. IMEG has been hired as a grant supporter for the year and a more robust sponsorship program will be implemented this year as well.
- d. Alli is looking into a partnership with UCCS to get maps created for the District.
- e. MMF met on February 11th and heard project updates. They also discussed next steps for the Frost Ranch Project.
- f. Annie Berlemann recapped the TAC meeting from the 10th of March.
- g. Mary Barber stated that they are still working to ensure that the website is fully accessible. The biggest challenge at the moment is PDF's.
- h. Outreach



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- i. Brianna summarized the work in Colorado Springs that has occurred since the last meeting.
 1. Two CC Bonner Shadowships have completed, the third will be starting shortly.
 2. The Great American Cleanup is coming up on May 3rd, a new Volunteer Database is being worked on for this event.
 3. The Brewshed Alliance Kickoff meeting occurred on February 25th. Seventeen breweries have joined this year.
 4. Update on GenWild and funding related to that.
 5. Colorado College PIFP interviews have been completed.
- ii. Susan summarized the work that has happened in Pueblo since the last meeting.
 1. Hosted the first Liquid Lecture and had to be rescheduled due to a blizzard.
 2. The District is co-hosting with CSU's Pueblo Extension Colorado Water Trivia and Spirits Tasting.
 3. Lots of school programs are coming up.
 4. Alli, Meghan, and Susan hosted a field trip during the Arkansas River Basin Water Forum.
 5. The Ride the Watershed event is coming up in May.
 6. A GenWild Consortium is forming in Pueblo and Susan will likely be joining.

7. New Business

- a. Alli/Brianna requested assistance for some upcoming events.

8. 2025 Meeting Schedule

- a. Mar
- b. Apr
- c. May
- d. Jun/Jul - no meetings
- e. Aug
- f. Sept
- g. Oct
- h. Nov
- i. Dec – no meeting

9. Public Comments

- a. None.

10. Adjourn