



FOUNTAIN CREEK WATERSHED

Flood Control And Greenway District

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Technical Advisory Committee

DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 6, 2024 – 1:00 PM

1. Call to Order, Introductions, and Establishment of a Quorum: The meeting was held virtually via a Zoom video conference. A quorum was established, the meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m. Introduction of new members.

Committee Members in Attendance

Andrew Callaghan	City of Pueblo
Andrew Rippe	Ft. Carson
Annie Berlemann	Colorado Springs Utilities
Beth Nosker	DNR
Christina Prete	El Paso County, Stormwater
Dominga Jimenez-Garcia	Pueblo County
Erin Powers	City of Colorado Springs, SWENT
Jason Myer	El Paso County
Jeff Rice	El Paso County
Jonathan Griffen	Pueblo County
Mark Shea	Colorado Springs Utilities
Mellisa Whittingslow	Fort Carson
Mary Barber	CAG Vice Chair

Others in Attendance:

Alli Schuch	Fountain Creek Watershed District, Executive Director
Ann Werner	PPACG
Angie Martell	PPACG
Gary Rapp	Citizen
Kevin Binkley	Colorado Springs Utilities
Steven Rodriguez	Fountain Creek Watershed District

2. Approve Agenda for the November 6, 2024: Agenda reviewed and approved by consensus.
3. Approve Minutes of the October 2, 2024: Minutes reviewed and approved by consensus.
4. TAC Member Comments:
 - a. Mark Shea gave an update to State dredge and fill (Regulation 87). Stakeholder meeting held November 6th and included background information, definitions and compensatory mitigation. This will be part of a rulemaking hearing at the end of 2025.
5. Public Comments:
 - a. Presentations: Jimmy Camp Creek Drainage Basin Fee Setting - Jeff Rice, El Paso County
Jeff Rice gave a guided tour of the Jimmy Camp Creek Drainage website (<https://jimmy-camp-creek-dbps-epcdpw.hub.arcgis.com/pages/drainage-basin-map>). He highlighted

interactive map. Next steps include go to the planning commission with the proposed study which is also on the website. This does include the fee setting.

7. Reports:

- a. District Board/Water Activity Enterprise Board/Project Updates: Alli Schuch reported that the District Board and Water Activity Enterprise Board met on October 18, 2024. Mark Illif is the new City of Pueblo board member. Reviewed the 2025 CIP. Alli gave an update on grant efforts. The District is looking for a new Outreach Coordinator. Alli is talking with CWCB on any additional funds. Students from CC has done a 3-D model of the Eagleridge project and will also be studying the geomorphology of District projects. Eagleridge is having some challenges with unhooded at the site. Jackson Creek scoping project is continuing, IMEG is working on preliminary project issues. The next meeting is November 15, 2024, at 9:00 am on Zoom and in-person at Fountain City Hall for annual budget hearing.
- b. Monetary Mitigation Fund Advisory Committee: The MMFAC met October 29, 2024, and reviewed the draft 2025 CIP. Emergency meeting to discuss landowner issues at the Southmoor drive project. Matrix will redesign and will absorb some of the costs. There could be increased construction costs. The next meeting on November 20, 2024, at 10:00 am on Zoom.
- c. Citizens Advisory Group: Mary Barber reported the CAG met October 11, 2024. The CAG had presentation from Taylor Murphy on fountain reservoir and treatment by exit 128 on I-25 and a presentation from Derick Lowstutter with CSU Extension on biochar and water quality. The outreach team gave an update on Creek Week. The next meeting is November 8, 2024, held hybrid at 9:00 am, no meeting in December.
- d. AFCURE: Annie Berlemann reported that AFCURE met November 5, 2024. AF CURE discussed the EPA 9-Element E. coli Plan if it could/should be updated. It was decided not to update the plan at this time due to costs and uncertainty around the CDPHE E. coli TMDL. AF CURE discussed various kinds of standards that could be applied around the watershed including watershed-based standards, site specific standards or discharger specific various. Angie Martell from PPACG noted that there is funding from 319 program to either update the EPA 9-Element Plan or expand the plan. AF CURE suggested bringing this grant to the District. The next meeting is December 3, 2024.

8. New Business:

- a. None

9. Ongoing Business:

- a. Partnership Projects
- b. In-Lieu Fee – Mark Shea reported that the draft prospectus has been submitted to the USACE.
- c. Regional/Military Stormwater Subcommittee

10. Future Business

- a. COS Creek Plan Update (January or February)
- b. USGS presentation on latest reports (spring/summer)

- c. MHFCD discussion on project maintenance (?)
- d. AF CURE nutrient white paper and/or PFAS
- e. Dredge and Fill permitting – informal report outs
- f. Exit 104 Potential Creek Crossing Project – Pueblo Public Works (winter)
- g. Tours

11. Set Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting: The next meeting is on January 2, 2024, at 1:00, on Zoom.

12. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 3:03 p.m. by consensus.

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