

Upper Rio Grande Basin Water Operations Review Executive Committee meeting, June 27, 2000

In attendance:

Norman Gaume, NMISC

Leann Towne, BOR

Mike Gabaldon, BOR

Rolf Schmidt-Peterson, NMISC

Dick Kreiner (for LTC Col. Fallin), Corps

Gail Stockton, Corps

Rhea Graham, NMISC

- The management team reported briefly on stakeholder research and preparations for the public scoping meetings to begin June 28. Potential questions were discussed. Focus will be on what the review will do under existing authorities.
- ID and Technical team development is in progress. The management team will draft for executive committee review a proposed balanced ID Team membership and strategy for getting the ID Team functioning.
- Each member of the executive committee will make sure that they have been delegated authority by their agency to sign the Cooperating Agency MOA's September 20 at the signing ceremony in Santa Fe prior to the Public Scoping meeting.
- The executive committee agreed that the State GSD list for facilitation could be utilized for the Water Operations Review probably starting with the Albuquerque scoping meeting August 17.
- The management team will recommend additional key stakeholders to add to the Steering committee. Tentative date for next Steering committee meeting should be close to the WRRI water conference date to take advantage of travel and convenience. (WRRI said that if we notify them right away we might use the meeting room that they have reserved at the Hyatt for Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 6. The Water conference will begin Monday Dec 4 with afternoon tours, meetings at the Hyatt Tuesday Dec 5 and Wed. morning Dec 6, 2000.)
- The management team has prepared a draft scope and RFP for Public Involvement Program contract procurement. Management team needs to expedite.
- The current list of expressed Cooperating agencies and (POC's) is BIA(Art Martinez), USIBWC(Chuck Braden), COA(John Stomp), MRGCD(David Gensler/Sterling Grogan), Pueblo of San Juan(Charles Lujan), NMGame and Fish (Tod Stevenson), Colorado State Engineer (Steve Vandiver), NM Environment Department (Julie Tsatsaros), NM Dept of Agriculture(Julie Maitland), US Fish and Wildlife Service(Steve Silcox), Eight Northern Pueblos Council, Inc.().
- There was discussion of the need for transfer of funds between agencies and the possible utility of a joint escrow account. The management team will check with their appropriate finance and accounting people to ascertain potential and constraints.
- The next executive committee meeting is August 17, 2000 at 1:30 pm at BOR.

Approved by the Executive Committee at the March 9, 2001 meeting.