

River Protection Workgroup

Steering Committee Meeting

Monday, August 3, 2015 – 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Conference Room of La Plata Electric

Light snacks will be served.

Please RSVP to Marsha by Friday the 31st of July if you cannot attend this meeting: mporternorton@gmail.com or 247-8306.

Proposed outcomes

- a) Discuss the *process* and steps for creating a federal legislative bill draft that matches the agreed upon *Agreement in Principle*
- b) Discuss actions recommended at the State level and determine if there are next steps

Proposed agenda

- 1) Introductions (5 minutes)
- 2) Agreement on the Agenda and Outcomes, and a Review of the Ground Rules (5)
- 3) Debrief of the CWCB presentation (10 minutes)
- 4) Discussion of process and steps related to legislative drafting for the Agreement in Principle: (1 hour, 45 minutes)
 - a) Confirming issues still to be worked out: -WSR release language; -defining and describing what “no new major impoundments while allowing water diversion” means in the draft bill; - and the East Fork of the San Juan; - other. This agenda item is not meant to resolve these issues but rather, confirm what they are...
 - b) Determine a course of action and process for legislative drafting
 - c) Are there information needs the group has at this time? If so, how will these be met?
 - d) Sum and Recap
- 5) Discussion of State level tools in the Agreement in Principle and determining if the RPW wishes to begin pursuing these items (i.e., pursue Outstanding Waters on Grasshopper Creek; pursue and ISF on the 3 tribes on South Mineral; seek for a grant to study the ground water for the fens, etc.) (30 minutes)
- 6) Briefing Key Entities (e.g. Senator Gardner’s staff, SUIT, CDWR) (10 minutes)
- 7) Setting next meeting (s) (5 minutes)
- 8) Other (10 minutes)
- 9) Sum and Recap of the Meeting

Note: There are 20 minutes extra for breaks and extra time, if needed.