

Willow Creek Reclamation Committee

September 12, 2001

Members Present: Erik Sandvik, Creede; Steve Russell, NRCS; Jim Matush, Creede; J.B. Davis, Adams State College; J.B. Alexander, Creede; Chris Williams, URS Corp; Scott Randall, URS Corp; Brian Hyde, CO Water Conservation District; Van Shipley, USACE; Mark Rudolf, CDPHE; Marian Leary, SLVEC;

Bob Kirkham, CGS; Joe Burkett, Creede; Glen Miller, Watershed Coordinator; Jerry Rowe, Water Management Consultants; Mike Wireman, USEPA; Les Dobson, USFS; Zeke Ward, Chairman.

Meeting Called to order 1:00 pm

Intro of members and Miscellaneous business (Chairman Zeke Ward): Erik Sandvik; Steve Russell; Jim Matush; JB Davis; JB Alexander; Chris Williams; Scott Randall; Brian Hyde; Van Shipley; Mark Rudolf; Marian Leary; Bob Kirkham; Joe Burkett; Glen Miller; Jerry Rowe; Mike Wireman; Les Dobson; Zeke Ward

Approval of Minutes (Glen Miller):

August minutes read by Glen. Approved for posting on the web.
JB Alexander made the motion to accept the minutes as read. Bob Kirkham seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Forest Service information about possible East Willow Park (Les Dobson & JB Alexander):
TAC proposed a plan for an interpretive park on East Willow as a way to show the public about what WCRC does. The forest Service feels this is a viable idea and the committee gave approval to pursue this plan.

Data Analysis Report: (Mike Wireman) Mr. Wireman directed his intern to put together a report to compare EPA data and WCRC data. His intern is now preparing a data analysis base to keep incoming data organized.

At the next meeting Zeke Ward would like to discuss the 3 year report that will be due next summer.

TAC committee report (Glen Miller - JB Alexander) The TAC advised the WCRC committee to investigate all water inflows into the Commodore/Nelson mine workings from all potential sources. These tests will cost in the area of \$20,000. The TAC also asks WCRC to authorize the TAC to design a plan to investigate inflow sources.

Erik Sandvik made the motion to approve investigating the Commodore/Nelson inflows. Steve Russell seconded. Motion passed.

The WCRC committee gave the TAC approval to design a plan for testing inflow sources.

August Underground characterization report (Mike Wireman): the group went underground on August 15, 2001. The underground Characterization is going well. Jim Heron and John Nelson are working on compiling a list of safety issues that need to be resolved to insure the safety of those persons working underground. They are preparing to hire someone to do the work soon.

Zeke is working on getting a railroad car to use as a bridge across Willow Creek to make access to the Nelson easier.

Commodore to East/West Confluence to City flume potential flood study. (Brian Hyde-Zeke Ward-Joe Davis): Mr. Hyde passed out a scope of work from the Colorado Water Conservation District for the improvement of Willow Creek above the flume.

There will be a bid meeting for interested parties on September 28, 2001.

Well drilling and waste pile sampling schedules and general information (Glen Miller): Waste pile sampling training will be held September 13, 2001.

Re-Veg Project: (JB Alexander) Some grass is started in the bare areas where there were cows. Some of the trees are looking a little sick. Pictures of the project are available in the WCRC office.

Meeting adjourned 3:47 pm

Next Meeting October 3, 2001.