

**The Southwestern Water Conservation District
The West Building, 841 E Second Avenue
Durango, CO 81301**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
A Regular Board Meeting of the
Southwestern Water Conservation District
will be held via Zoom and in-person at
841 E 2nd Avenue in Durango, Colorado

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

[Click here to join Zoom](#)

Phone Number: (346) 248 7799

Meeting ID: 835 9975 3537

Password: 474186

*Public may attend the meeting in person at SWCD's office (841 E 2nd Avenue in Durango, Colorado) or via Zoom using the connection information above. **If you plan to attend in person, please RSVP to info@swgcd.org** to ensure appropriate social distancing can be maintained in SWCD's conference room.*

*Please text 970-901-1388 if you have difficulty joining the Zoom meeting. Please raise your hand to be recognized by the chair. To raise your hand by phone, dial*9. To raise your hand by computer, please use Alt+Y (Windows) or Option+Y (Mac). To mute and unmute by phone, dial *6.*

Except the time indicated for when the meeting is scheduled to begin, the times noted for each agenda item are estimates and subject to change. The Board may address and act on agenda items in any order to accommodate the needs of the Board and the audience. Agenda items can also be added during the meeting at the consensus of the Board.

Agenda items may be placed on the Consent Agenda when the recommended action is non-controversial. The Consent Agenda may be voted on without reading or discussing individual items. Any Board member may request clarification about items on the Consent Agenda. The Board may remove items from the Consent Agenda at their discretion for further discussion.

Wednesday, December 7, 2022

1.0 Call to Order – Roll Call, Verification of Quorum (8:30 a.m.)

2.0 Review and Approve Agenda (8:31 a.m.)

3.0 Executive Session (8:32 a.m.)

- 3.1 Colorado River Compact, Interstate and Intrastate negotiation matters, including re-negotiation of the interim guidelines - [Steve & Beth](#)
- 3.2 Application of Rehoboth Land Partners, LLC for Change of Water Rights, Case No. 19CW3045, Division 4 – [Beth & Steve](#)
- 3.3 October Water Court Resume for Water Divisions 3 and 7 – [Beth & Steve](#)
- 3.4 Personnel Matters - [Steve, Michelle & Beth](#)

- 3.4.1 Proposed Changes to General Manager Job Description and Draft Job Description for New Employee

3.4.2 Programs Coordinator Applications and Hiring Process

4.0 Summary and Action Items from Executive Session (10:00 a.m.)

Break

5.0 General Counsel Legal Report (10:15 a.m.) - Beth

- 5.1 October Water Court Resume Review (Divisions 3, 4, 7)
- 5.2 Application of Rehoboth Land Partners, LLC for Change of Water Rights, Case No. 19CW3045, Division 4
- 5.3 Proposed 2023 Water Information Program Independent Contractor Agreement
- 5.4 Proposed Updates to the SWCD's Employee Leave Policies

6.0 Approve and/or Remove Consent Agenda Items (10:30 a.m.)

7.0 Consent Agenda (10:35 a.m.)

- 7.1 Approval of Minutes (October 12, 2022)
- 7.2 Acceptance of Treasurer's Report (October 2022)
- 7.3 Proposed 2023 SWCD Meeting & Holiday Schedule
- 7.4 Board Action authorizing change of email contact for financials
- 7.5 Proposal to Cash out Two Certificates of Deposit in January 2023

8.0 Discussion on Water Conservation in SW Colorado (10:40 a.m.)

- 8.1 2023 System Conservation Pilot Program in Upper Basin
- 8.2 Water Rights Protection under Conservation Programs – Division 7 Exemption

9.0 Questions and Comments from the Public (11:00 a.m.)

10.0 Reports (11:20 a.m.)

- 10.1 Colorado River Basin Update - Steve
- 10.2 Director Updates & Concerns
- 10.3 Red Mesa Reservoir – NRCS Co-Sponsor Form – Steve & Beth
- 10.4 Water Information Program Update – Elaine
- 10.5 SWCD Southwest Water Seminar Update – Elaine
- 10.6 Upper Colorado & San Juan River Basin Recovery Implementation Programs – Steve

Lunch Break (12:00 p.m.)

11.0 FY2023 Budget Hearing & Adoption (1:00 p.m.) – TIME MUST BE 1PM AS PUBLISHED

- 11.1 Discussion of Proposed FY2023 Budget, including any potential changes
- 11.2 Proposed 2023 Budget Message
- 11.3 FY2023 Budget Hearing & Public Comment
- 11.4 Resolutions to Adopt FY2023 Budget, Appropriate Sums of Money & Set Mill Levy

12.0 Legislative Affairs (2:00 p.m.)

- 12.1 State Legislative Update - Garin
- 12.2 Federal Affairs Update – Steve

13.0 Partner Updates (2:30 p.m.)

- 13.1 Glen Canyon Adaptive Management Program – Clarence Fullard, Reclamation

Break

14.0 Executive Session (If needed) (3:15 p.m.)

15.0 Adjournment (3:45 p.m.)

Celebration for Laura Spann – ~4:30 p.m. Union Social House, 3062 Main Avenue

Proposed Upcoming Meetings

January 17-18, 2022	SWCD Regular Board Meeting
February 2, 2022	SWCD Special Board Meeting
February 16, 2022	SWCD Special Board Meeting