

# Moab Area Watershed Partnership

Meeting Minutes July 16, 2014  
Grand Center, Moab

| Stakeholders Present   | Affiliation   | Others                                |
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| Mike Allred<br>Dave Erley<br>Chris Baird<br>Eric Johanson<br>Kirstin Peterson<br>Bob O'Brien<br>Heather Church<br>Pat Holyoak<br>Marc Stilson<br>Rick Wilde<br>Ann Marie Aubry<br>Bryan Torgerson<br>Dana Vantlorn | UDWQ<br>Town of Castle Valley<br>Canyonlands Watershed Council<br>Moab City<br>Moab City<br>Moab Solutions<br>Sovereign Land (UFFSL)<br>Grand County<br>Division of Water Rights<br>Division of Water Rights<br>BLM<br>SITLA<br>GWSSA | Arne Hultquist, Watershed Coordinator |

| ACTIVITY  | DISCUSSION  | ACTION   |
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| Review Agenda and Introductions   | Introductions were made and no changes were suggested for the agenda. There were no objections to the June minutes.   | June minutes were approved.  |
| MAWP Website  | Arne reported to the group that he did not make any updates to the web site.  | Arne will continue updating the Website.   |
| Mini-Grant Update   | Arne reported the County hasn't installed theirs yet and are waiting for instructions on where to install them from Trail Mix.<br>Chris has finished installing the Kiosk. The partners expressed appreciation to Chris for gettinurdun!  | Chris will send Arne an invoice and Arne will request the \$400 reimbursement from DWQ.  |
| 2014 Grant Application Results  | Mike Allred and Arne reported that DWQ would like to combine several projects in Spanish Valley into one Project Implementation Plan. They would also like to do the same for the two projects in Castle Valley. That will allow more match from nps funding to 319 funding. It will also simplify some accounting for the 319 funding. The burden to write the plan will fall upon Mike and Arne. Most of the information needed for the individual projects will be garnered from the proposals. A monitoring component for habitat need to be added to the watershed management plan for these and other projects. | Arne and Mike will develop a project implementation plan for both Spanish and Castle Valley.   |
| Section 7.1.2 and Section 2.3.2 Habitat and Riparian Evaluation and Monitoring: | The partners discussed the differences between assessment methodologies like SAV and monitoring methodologies like MIM. The partners agreed without objection to using MIM for riparian vegetation and stream channel monitoring in Spanish and Castle Valley. The partners discussed the need for a plant expert and four person teams for this monitoring. The four people must be trained in MIM. The next training will be September 16-18 in Cedar City. The group agreed Arne should attend the training and be part of the team. Because the   | Arne will add the MIM protocol to Section 2.3.2 and 7.1.2. Arne will attend the MIM training in Cedar City September 16-18 and the MAWP September meeting is moved to the 24 <sup>th</sup> . |

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|   | training will fall on the third Wednesday of the month, the partners moved Septembers meeting one week back, to the 24 <sup>th</sup> .  |   |
| Press Release for Grants                | Arne provided two draft press releases for the partnership to consider. They chose the second one and wordsmithed it to till it was as good as it gets. As the release directs people to our website, Arne will update it with all the project proposals.   | Arne will submit the press release to both local papers and put it on the website with all the project proposals. |
| Section 4: Resource issues and Concerns | The partnership had a difficult time coming up with a list of resource concerns and issues. Part of the problem is the title is concerns and issues. The list of issues is large and each member has their own issues, which is why they are attending. The group came to the conclusion that we should limit this section to concerns as they were readily definable and incorporate our issues into Chapter 5. We did come up with a list of resource concerns. | Arne will put the ideas presented into a coherent form for the group to consider approving at the next meeting..  |
| Items not on the Agenda                 | Ranking Criteria,<br>Bylaws,<br>Section 2.1<br>Section 5<br>Section 2.8, 9, & 10<br>Groundwater Management Plan<br>Watershed coordinator update<br>RCPP opportunitites  | Arne put these items out as not on the agenda, using it as a place holder for future meetings.                    |
| Adjourn                                 | The next meeting will be August 20 at the Grand Center  | Adjournment   |