

# Moab Area Watershed Partnership

Meeting Minutes May 21, 2014  
Grand Center, Moab

Stakeholders Present	Affiliation	Others
Mike Allred Dave Erley John W. Groo Dave Horsley Rick Wilde Mark Sovine Chris Baird Ann Marie Aubry Karinne Knutsen Bryan Torgerson Rebecca Andrus Bob O'Brien Dee Taylor	UDWQ Town of Castle Valley Town of Castle Valley Utah Division of Water Rights Utah Division of Water Rights GWSSA Canyonlands Watershed Council BLM BLM SITLA Moab City Moab Solutions Cattlemen's Association	Arne Hultquist, Watershed Coordinator

ACTIVITY	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Review Agenda and Introductions	Introductions were made and no changes were suggested for the agenda. Several spelling errors were corrected in the minutes. There were no objections to the edited April minutes.	April minutes were approved.
MAWP Website	Arne reported to the group that he updated the web site with Minutes and Agendas.	Arne will continue updating the Website.
Mini-Grant Update	Arne reported two stations had been delivered to BLM and three had been delivered to Grand County. They have not been installed yet. Chris reported the signage for the kiosk has been delivered. He is considering plexi-glass covering for the sign to protect the sign from vandalism. The partners agreed that it was a good idea. After he gets the covering the contractor whom built the kiosk will install the signage pro-bono.	Chris Baird will have the kiosk signage installed. After the installation, Chris will send Arne an invoice and Arne will request the \$400 reimbursement from DWQ. After the dog waste stations are installed, Arne will request the \$800 reimbursement.
Governors Water Future Committee	Mark Sovine reported that there have been a few meetings of the Committee. The committee members are mostly from the Wasatch Front. So far the meetings have discussed the issues they will be dealing with. It appears the main issue is how to develop water for expected growth of 1 million people by 2050.	Mark has agreed to keep us up to date on the committee's progress.
Project Ranking Criteria	The partners present decided to wait until Division of Water Quality announced the recipients of the latest grant applications before considering re-working the project ranking criteria.	
Changes to the	The partners considered the officer election process and after	Arne was tasked with

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Bylaws	some discussion the group decided to elect both the Chair and the Vice-Chair every year which leaves the group an opportunity to elect the Vice-Chair to the Chair.	adjusting the Bylaws to reflect the election change and bringing them to the next meeting for consideration.
Section 2.1 Location and Topography 2.3.2 Vegetation Assessments 2.8, 9, & 10	Arne presented the first version of Section 2.1 Location, Boundary and Topography. The group present considered most of the content relevant and complete. Arne will add some headwater discussion for the two sub-watersheds in Castle Valley. The maps of the sub-watersheds in 2.1.3 were produced in Google Earth. They were not as appealing as Arc-Info maps. The partners considered the content of Section 2.3.2.1, a summary of the USFS assessments of land cover on USFS land adequate. A few formatting changes were suggested. Chris is still trying to format Sections 2.8, 9, and 10.	Arne will work with the GIS specialist in DWQ to produce higher quality maps for Section 2.1.3. Arne will make the suggested changes to 2.1.3.6 and bring them to the next meeting.
Section 6 Public Information and Education.	The current outline of Section 6 was reviewed by the attendees. There were several good suggestions on information/educational goals for the MAWP. There were also several good suggestions on how to achieve those goals.	Arne will take the suggestions for the outline and write the verbiage for Section 6.
Section 7 Evaluation	The current outline of Section 7 was reviewed by the meeting attendees. Again, several good suggestions were made for the outline and content.	Arne will take the suggestions for the outline and write the verbiage for Section 7.
Section 4 Watershed concerns and Resource Issues	The current outline of Section 4 was reviewed. The group believes this is a very important section but it is a difficult one to write up. Arne cannot write this section without more input from the group. Individuals discussed several major concerns generally dealing with water quantity or water quality.	Each of the members will write a paragraph or more indicating their significant watershed concerns.
Section 5 Recommendations and Management Implementation Strategies, aka the Watershed Action Plan.	After some discussion it was agreed that we really needed to have section 4 finished prior to completing an outline for section 5. However, several ideas came to mind, including the groundwater study being managed by State of Utah Division of Water Rights. We have been invited to attend their next meeting on June 10.	Each of the members will consider what kind of implementation strategies could be used to address their watershed concerns.
Adjourn	The next meeting will be June 18 at the Grand Center	Adjournment