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UPPER YAMPA WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026 (10:00 AM) MOUNTAIN VALLEY BANK COMMUNITY ROOM 2220 CURVE PLAZA, STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, CO ONLINE MEETING:

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Chairman Jim Haskins called the meeting to order.

In addition to Chairman Haskins, Executive Committee Members John Redmond, Tom Sharp, Mynon Woodley and Kevin McBride and Board Members Katie Berning and Leah Wolf Martin were present during all or part of the meeting. General Manager Andy Rossi, District Engineer Emily Lowell, Business Manager Dianna Schoen, Finance Manager Karina Craig, and Plant Operator Eddie Rogers were also present. Others present for all or part of the meeting included Blake Mamich (Colorado Water Trust), Lindsey Marlow (Friends of the Yampa) and an additional representative of Friends of the Yampa.

This meeting was held in person and by videoconference utilizing Zoom. The meeting agenda included instructions to the public describing the process to participate in the meeting and comment on agenda items.

The following agenda was proposed:

AGENDA

- (1) **10:00 AM** Establishment of Quorum and Call to Order
- (2) **10:01 AM** Approval of Agenda for Meeting **Action item**
- (3) **10:02 AM** Public Input and Comment
The Committee will make no decision nor take action, except to direct the General Manager. Those addressing the Committee are requested to identify themselves by name, organization, if any, and address. Comments shall not exceed three (3) minutes.
- (4) **10:05 AM** Reservoir Storage Allocation
- (5) **10:55 AM** Executive Sessions:
 - a. Executive session under CRS § 24-6-402(4)(b) to discuss legal issues on Water Resumes, Water Cases, Contract Negotiations and _____ (insert description). Mere presence or participation of an attorney at an executive session is not sufficient to satisfy the requirements of CRS § 24-6-402(4)(b). Executive sessions to discuss legal matters are not recorded.
 - b. Executive session under CRS § 24-6-402(4)(e)(I) for the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators with respect to _____ (insert brief description). This session will be recorded, and a copy of the recording maintained for not less than 90 days.
 - c. At the conclusion of an executive session and the resumption of the public meeting, the Chairman will announce that if any person who participated in an executive session believes that any substantial discussion of any matters not included in the motion to go into executive session, or that any improper

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action occurred during an executive session in violation of the Open Meetings Law, that such person state their concern for the record.

- (6) **10:55 AM** Committee actions in regard to Executive Session
- (7) **11:00 AM** Adjournment.

Action Item

A quorum was established and Chairman Haskins called the meeting to order at 10:04 AM.

Meeting Agenda. Chairman Haskins moved to approve the agenda. Director McBride seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Public Input and Comment. Chairman Haskins invited members of the public to comment on items not otherwise scheduled on the agenda. There was no comment.

Reservoir Storage Allocation. The Executive Committee met to discuss and recommend water allocation for the upcoming season, focusing on the Stagecoach Reservoir water contract with Colorado Water Trust (CWT). District Engineer Lowell presented reservoir statistics including current levels and inflow projections, highlighting the dry conditions expected this year. Blake Mamich of the CWT explained the funding implications and timing constraints for the CWT's use of the CWCB's in-stream flow loan program. The committee debated the impacts of reduced flows, with Lindsey Marlow from Friends of the Yampa emphasizing the importance of protecting river health. The Committee discussed release volume scenarios. Director Sharp moved that the Executive Committee make its recommendation to the whole Board at the March Board meeting that the District provide notice to the Colorado Water Trust of availability of 100 acre feet of water in the Volume 1, and an additional 3,500 acre feet of water in the Volume 2 category, under our contract with the Water Trust. Director Woodley seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a vote of four in favor and one abstaining from the vote. The motion carried.

Executive Session. There was no Executive Session.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:56 AM.

I certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and correct summary of the proceeds at the above referenced meeting.



Andy Rossi, District Secretary/Manager

Date:

