



**Minutes of  
December 10, 2008 Meeting  
at L/E WWTP, Littleton, CO**

In Attendance:

Paul Grundemann	CWSD
Jim Kendrick	Monument Sanitation Dst.
Bob Anastov	City of Aurora
Bret Linenfelser	Boulder
Dennis Schump	Greeley
Karl Heil	City of Northglenn
Amy Woodis	MWRD
Jill Piatt-Kemper	Aurora
Mike Bittner	Silverthorne/Dillon
Ginny Johnson	Colorado Springs Utilities
Sharon Davis	Brown and Caldwell
Dave Meyer	Westminster
Mary Gardner	L/E WWTP
Dennis Stowe	L/E WWTP
Tim Grotheer	Carollo Eng.
Colleen Young	Greeley Water & Sewer
Stewart Fonda	L/E
Martha Hahn	Plum Creek
Paul Ferraro	CWWUC

**I. Updates on Nutrient and Other Issues, Craig Wolf (GEI)**

Craig did not show up.

Comments from Paul G. and other members:

- A new methodology is being proposed by EPA that will result in lower numbers. The proposal needs peer review.
- A letter from CWWUC to EPA Headquarters - draft that needs input from Council members and then Paul G. will sign it and send it to EPA.
- Chatfield Reservoir
  - Final decision was due last Monday but the Commissioners moved it to January because not all of the Commissioners were present.

- Amy - send a letter from the Council to the EPA Headquarters. Colorado is ahead of other states in dealing with nutrients.
- Sharon - Cherry Creek Authority wants many factors to be taken into account before establishing a standard for the reservoir.
- Division to present their proposal to the Workgroup at the next meeting.
- Amy distributed a letter from Wisconsin to EPA Administrator Johnson, and a draft letter that the Council may want to revise and send to the Administrator. Bret supports sending a letter to the EPA.

Nancy moved to send the letter, Amy seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Comments are due to Paul G. by the end of the week.

- Also send another letter to the Division.
- Paul F - Why is the State pushing nutrient standards?
- Paul G - A good question. The State needs to set priorities for all water quality issues, and nutrients are too high. They have spent a lot of time and effort and it appears they are unwilling to back off.
- Fee bill will be pared down, but the Division will move with it.

## **II. Emails - forward vs. post**

Members directed that emails be posted to the website. Then a link will be emailed to members with a hyperlink to the email from others that should be of value to the members.

## **III. Updates**

- Water Utility Council - Reviewing Policy 4 which is nine pages long and defines "well operated facilities."
- WEF Biosolids -
  - Dennis Schump said that the Committee is evaluating the value of phosphorus and nitrogen in Biosolids. Biosolids are a good source of phosphorus and nitrogen - a fertilizer factory.
  - Westminster issues - The County's Application for biosolids disposal (Adams County) requires that all neighbors be personally contacted vs. contact by letter only. If one person objects, the County will not issue the permit. State regulations could negate the county requirement.
  - Nancy said that a group is evaluating a new method to have biosolids composted.

## **IV. Open Discussion**

- Andrew Ross is leaving the Permit Program.
- Consider using the Mentoring Program to exchange Division staff with operators at water and wastewater facilities. Paul F. to develop a plan.

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 PM.

Next Meeting: January 14, 2009 at 1 PM at L/E WWTP