

ARKANSAS RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION

Lamar, Colorado 81052

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FINAL NOTICE & DRAFT AGENDA

2016 ANNUAL MEETING ARKANSAS RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2016
8:00 A.M. (MST) / (9:00 AM CST)

Note new location

The Wolves Den Event Center
27534 US Hwy 287
Lamar, CO 81052

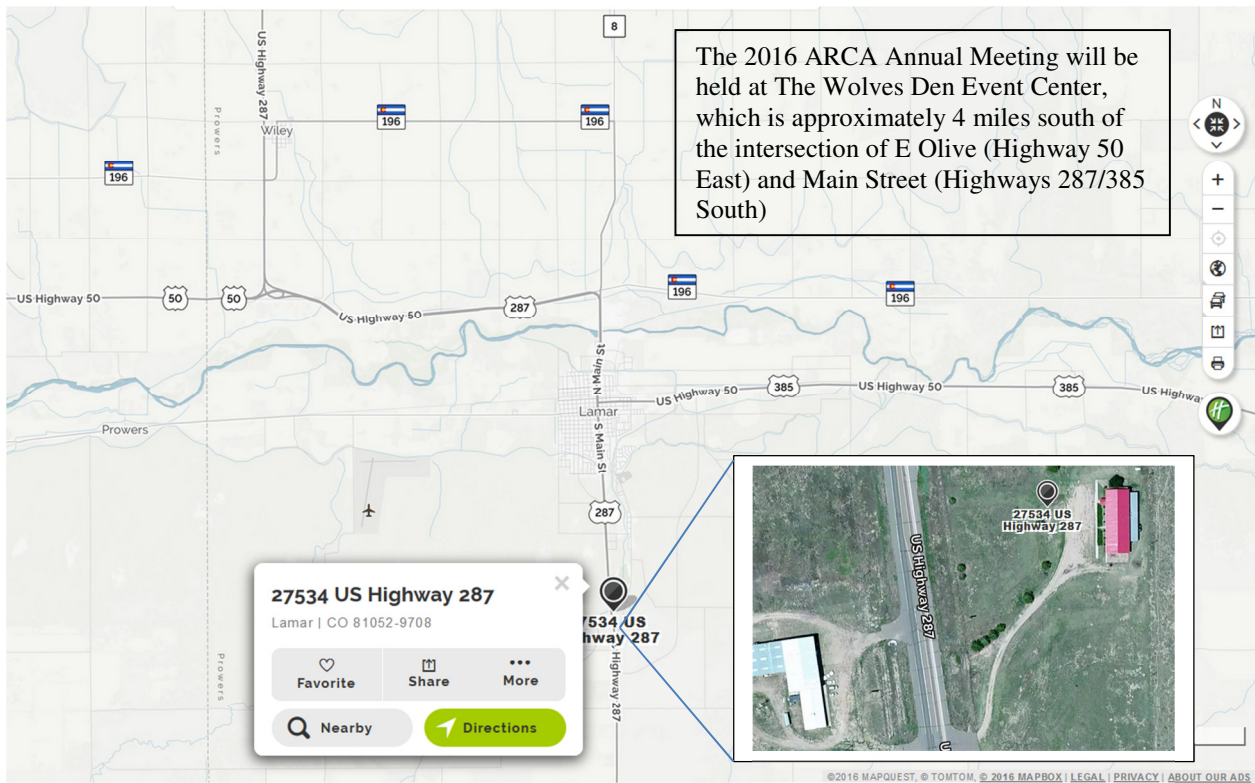
The **2016 Annual Meeting** of the Arkansas River Compact Administration (ARCA) will be held on **Friday, December 9, 2016**, commencing at 8:00 A.M. MST (9:00 A.M. CST) at the location noted above. The meeting will be recessed for lunch at about 12:00 P.M. and reconvened for the completion of business in the afternoon as necessary.

The **Engineering, Operations, and Administrative/Legal Committees** of ARCA will meet on **Thursday, December 8, 2016**, also at the **location noted above**, starting at 1:00 PM. MST (2:00 P.M. CST) and continuing to completion. The public is invited to attend the Committee meetings, however please be aware time for comments may be limited.

Meetings of ARCA are operated in compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act. If you need a special accommodation as a result of a disability please contact Stephanie Gonzales at (719) 688-0799 at least three days before the meeting.

This information is also available on ARCA's website:

<http://www.co-ks-arkansasrivercompactadmin.org/>



More information about **The Wolves Den Event Center** can be found at:
<http://www.wolvesdenevents.com>

ENGINEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, DEC. 8, 2016, 1 P.M. (MST)
TENTATIVE AGENDA (subject to change)
Presiding: Scott Brazil

1. **Review committee agenda and preparation of action item(s) – *assign staff***
2. **Old business**
 - A. Colorado Decision Support System update: RFP release and schedule
 - B. Trinidad Operating Principles Ten-year Review and proposed amendments
 - C. Update on 2016 GP Farms water plan operations
 - D. Catlin lease-fallow program pilot project operations report
 - E. Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) request for approval of Highland Canal water as new source for the John Martin Permanent Pool
 - F. Colorado/LAVWCD (Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District) study of new storage account in John Martin Reservoir
 - G. Fountain Creek Flood Control Study
 - H. LAWMA Water Court decree issues
3. **New business and other matters**
 - A. Updates from Federal Agencies
 - i. U.S. Corps of Engineers
 - ii. U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
 - iii. U.S. Geologic Survey
 - B. Report from the Special Engineering Committee
 - C. Stateline Compact flume replacement, Frontier Ditch – *action item*
 - D. Colorado Satellite Monitoring System (SMS) – *action item*
 - i. Adding potential new site
 - ii. Renew agreement as of July 1, 2017
4. **Summary of action items / Committee assignments to staff**
5. **Future meetings**
6. **Adjourn**

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, DEC. 8, 2016 *
TENTATIVE AGENDA (subject to change)
Presiding: Hal Scheuerman

1. **Review committee agenda and preparation of action item(s)** – *assign staff*
2. **Reports of Operations Secretary and Assistant Operations Secretary**
 - A. Operations Secretary – Steve Witte
 - B. Assistant Operations Secretary – Kevin Salter
 - C. Committee recommendation concerning CY2016 Operations and Assistant Operations Secretaries’ reports
3. **Colorado State Engineer’s Annual Offset Account Report** – Colorado Division of Water Resources
4. **Ten-year Compact Compliance Accounting table (2006-2015)** – Joint report of the States – *action item*
5. **Old business**
 - A. Consideration of past Operations Secretary Reports (2006-2015) – *action item*
 - B. Colorado’s PDF Evaluation Report
 - C. Review Water Issues Matrix
 - D. Colorado Irrigation Improvement Rules update
6. **New business and other matters**
 - A. Approval of 2016 Operations Secretary Report – *action item*
 - B. 2017 Offset Account review
 - C. Resolutions for consideration
 - i. Accounting for Storage Pursuant to Section III.A of 1980 Operating Plan
 - ii. Transit loss on Reservoir-to-Reservoir Releases
7. **Summary of action items / Committee assignments to staff**
8. **Future meetings:** April and/or mid-Summer meetings
9. **Adjourn**

* The Operations Committee will start following the conclusion of the Engineering Committee

ADMINISTRATIVE & LEGAL COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY, DEC. 8, 2016 *

TENTATIVE AGENDA (subject to change)

Presiding: Randy Hayzlett

1. Review committee agenda and preparation of action item(s) – *assign staff*
2. Review 2016 Annual Meeting Agenda
3. Recording Secretary/Treasurer Report
4. Old business
 - A. Status of transcripts from prior meetings
 - i. Annual meetings: 1998, 1999, and 2015
 - B. Recommendation on approval of transcripts
 - i. 2014 Annual – *action item*
 - ii. 2015 Annual – status of review
 - iii. Sept. 19, 2016 Special – *action item*
 - C. Annual Reports status
 - D. ARCA website
 - i. Status of website
 - ii. Procedures for posting documents
5. Financial Matters
 - A. Recommendation on Auditor's Reports– *action items*
 - i. Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-15
 - ii. FY 2015-2016
 - B. Treasurer Report
 - C. Contracts – *action items*
 - i. USGS Cooperative Agreements
 1. Kansas Section
 2. Colorado Section
 - ii. Colorado SMS renewal
 - iii. CoAgMet
 - D. Personnel Services Budget Line Item Discussion
 - i. Treasurer/Recording Secretary
 - ii. Operations Secretary
 - iii. Auditor
 - iv. Court Reporter
 - E. Budget review and recommendations to ARCA
 - i. Review of current FY 2016-17
 - ii. Recommendation on Proposed FY 2017-18 budget and assessment – *action item*

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6. New business and other matters – *action items*

- A. Resolutions:
 - i. Accounting for Storage Pursuant to Section III.A of 1980 Operating Plan
 - ii. Transit loss on Reservoir-to-Reservoir Releases
- B. Nomination of Officers:
 - i. Vice-Chairman
 - ii. Recording Secretary and Treasurer
 - iii. Operations Secretary
 - iv. Assistant Operations Secretary
- C. Recommendation on appointment of Committee chairs

7. Summary of action items / Committee assignments to staff

8. Future meetings

- A. 2016 ARCA Annual Meeting date and location (default December 12, 2017 in Lamar)
- B. Administration & Legal committee – possible meeting to review ARCA Annual Report template

9. Adjourn

**ARKANSAS RIVER COMPACT ADMINISTRATION
2016 ANNUAL MEETING**

Friday, DEC. 9, 2016, 8:00 am (MST)
Wolves Den Events Center, Lamar, CO
TENTATIVE AGENDA (subject to change)
Presiding: James Rizzuto, Chairman

- 1. Call to Order: Chairman, James Rizzuto**
(Instructions for those in attendance for benefit of court reporter)
- 2. Introduction of representatives and visitors**
- 3. Review and revisions of agenda**
- 4. Reports of Officers**
 - A. Chairman – James Rizzuto
 - B. Vice-Chairman – Randy Hayzlett
 - C. Recording Secretary and Treasurer – Stephanie Gonzales (defer to item 10)
 - D. Operations Secretary – Steve Witte (defer to item 9)
 - E. Assistant Operations Secretary – Kevin Salter (defer to item 9)
- 5. Reports of Federal Agencies**
 - A. U.S. Geological Survey
 - B. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
 - C. U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
- 6. Reports from Local Water User and State Agencies**
 - A. Purgatoire River Water Conservancy District / City of Trinidad
 - B. Fountain Creek Greenway, Watershed and Flood Control District
 - C. Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy District
 - D. Lower Arkansas Valley Water Conservancy District
 - E. Arkansas River Basin Roundtable
 - F. Colorado State Water Plan
 - G. Colorado Parks and Wildlife
- 7. Compact Compliance / Decree Issues Updates**
 - A. Ten-year Compact Compliance Accounting table (2006-2015) – Joint report of the States
 - B. Colorado's PDF (presumed depletion factor) Evaluation
 - C. Colorado Irrigation Improvement Rules
- 8. Report of Special Engineering Committee**
- 9. Report of Engineering Committee**
 - A. Report from December 8, 2016 meeting – Scott Brazil
 - B. Engineering Committee recommendations

10. Report of Operations Committee

- A. Report from December 8, 2016 meeting – Hal Scheuerman
- B. Operations Secretary Report – Steve Witte
- C. Assistant Operations Secretary Report – Kevin Salter
- D. Offset Account Report – Steve Witte / Bill Tyner
- E. Operation Committee recommendations

11. Report of Administrative & Legal Committee

- A. Report from December 8, 2016 meeting – Randy Hayzlett
- B. Recording Secretary and Treasurer Report – Stephanie Gonzales
- C. Auditor – Ron Farmer
- D. Administrative & Legal Committee Recommendations – most actions will be deferred to Item 13 (concurrent with appropriate action item)

12. New Business

13. ARCA Action Items

- A. Approval of prior meeting minutes
 - i. 2014 Annual Meeting
 - ii. 2016 Special Telephonic summary
- B. Financial Matters
 - i. Audit report for FY2014-15
 - ii. Audit report for FY2015-16
 - iii. Approval of USGS gaging contracts
 - iv. Colorado SMS renewal
 - v. CoAgMet contract renewal
 - vi. Adoption of FY 2017-18 budget
- C. Resolutions
 - i. Accounting for Storage Pursuant to Section III A of the “Resolution Concerning an Operating Plan for John Martin Reservoir (as amended)”
 - ii. Regarding the Resolution of Water Issues Matrix Issue 33 – Transit Loss on Reservoir-to-Reservoir Deliveries
- D. Officers & Committee appointments
 - i. Election of officers
 - ii. Appointment of committee chairs
- E. Instructions to Committees

14. Public Comment

15. Future meetings

- A. 2017 Annual Meeting – set date and location
- B. Committee Meetings
- C. Special Meeting(s) of ARCA

16. Adjourn