

Attachment B

Timeline and Task List

1. Period Prior to Submittal of an Endorsed Plan.
 - A. SG to come to resolution on amount of recommended ISF by April 15, 2011 or come to alternative resolution on how the CWCB process will proceed prior to endorsement of Plan.
 - B. SG to finalize language for definition of year-types for inclusion in Plan based on conceptual agreement to use Colorado Basin River Forecast Center forecasts of undepleted flow to predict the year type prior to the recreation season for informing the upcoming year's discussion about Cooperative Measures, and to use measured/depleted flows at the end of the wild and scenic year for evaluation of post-recreation season comparison to the boating Resource Guides.
 - C. SG to consider whether to include more detailed description of simulated future flows.
 - D. Prior to endorsement on April 30, 2011, the SG intends that any contact with press about this Plan should be handled through Rob Buirgy, Project Manager; or the BLM/USFS.
2. Period Following Submittal of an Endorsed Plan until Effective Date (i.e., before BLM/USFS approve the Plan as the alternative in the ROD).
 - A. Decisions made in this period are all by unanimous consensus of all stakeholders, continuing the current process of negotiation and compromise.
 - B. Provide formal SG Endorsement of Plan to BLM/USFS no later than April 30, 2011.
 - C. Begin monitoring:
 - (1) Gather data collected by others (e.g., CPW fish biomass).
 - (2) SG fund and gather data (e.g., conduct creel surveys, recreation surveys) if SG unanimously agrees to funding of such efforts.
 - (3) Evaluate monitoring data compared to provisional Resource Guides and provisional ORV Indicators.
 - (4) Prepare Annual Monitoring Report.

- D. No SG Plan funding assessments (Section VIII.B.2.) to be levied during this period.¹
- E. Stakeholders will engage in a good faith effort toward reaching agreement on final Resource Guides and ORV Indicators; outline studies and data collection to be done in the provisional period. By unanimous consensus among all stakeholders, ORV Indicators and Resource Guides could be finalized during this period and would become effective upon the effective date of the Plan.
- F. Explore Cooperative Measures in accordance with the process set forth in the Plan.
- G. Conduct discussions and make written recommendation to CWCB for the base flow in-stream flow pursuant to C.R.S. §37-92-102 in accordance with Section IV.A.1. of the Plan.

If final decrees for the CWCB instream flow applications are not entered by the date anticipated in Attachment A, and the Plan has not become effective, the stakeholders will discuss the cause of the delay. The stakeholders will determine whether the delay causes any material adverse impact to the purpose of the Long-Term Protection Measures. If it is determined by unanimous consent of all stakeholders that a material adverse impact exists, the stakeholders may decide to implement management activities to reasonably mitigate the material adverse impact.
- H. Continue discussions on commitments to the Plan on behalf of the Windy Gap Firming Enterprise, Northern Water and Denver Water pursuant to Section III.C.2.c. of the Plan (Poison Pill).
- I. Hold full SG meetings (quarterly or semiannually) and prepare annual report/update; make any changes/refinements to the Plan agreed upon by all stakeholders.
- J. Develop MOU among SG members for provisional period of Plan. A long-term MOU or legal entity would be entered into subsequent to sunset of the Poison Pill.
- K. Begin discussions and review relevant data to determine the extent to which channel maintenance flows may be incorporated into the Plan.

¹ Prior to expiration of the period for exercise of the Poison Pill, members of the SG would continue to contribute annual funding to the SG Plan, but shall not be required to contribute endowment funding under the Plan. The Homestake Partners will also only contribute annual (not endowment) funding to the SG Plan unless or until the ERMOU Project is “opted in” as a new project.

- L. By unanimous consensus of all stakeholders, other tasks can be performed as needed.

3. BLM/USFS Adoption of Plan without Material Changes – Plan becomes Effective

A. Provisional Period: First 3-to-5 years of Plan Implementation

- (1) Within the first 3-5 years of the Plan, implementation commencing upon the effective date of the Plan, develop final Resource Guides and ORV Indicators by unanimous consent (6/6) of Interest Groups.
- (2) Execute MOU among SG members for provisional period of Plan. A long-term MOU or legal entity would be entered into subsequent to sunset of the Poison Pill. Develop long-term MOU.
- (3) Interest Groups develop protocol for selection of representatives and procedure for inclusion, and designate alternates and appoint members.
- (4) GC appoints Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary.
- (5) The creation of the endowment fund and appointment of a Trustee will be postponed until after the SG gets past the Poison Pill clause. The Executive Committee will identify the interim steps for creating an endowment fund (per Section VIII.A. of the Plan) and this issue will be revisited no less frequently than annually.
- (6) Begin Provisional Period Monitoring Plan (per Section V and Attachment D of Plan):
 - a. Gather data collected by others (e.g., CPW fish biomass).
 - b. SG fund and gather data (e.g., conduct creel surveys, recreation surveys).
 - c. Evaluate monitoring data compared to provisional Resource Guides and provisional ORV Indicators.
 - d. Prepare Annual Monitoring Report.
- (7) Study the extent to which channel maintenance flows may be incorporated into the Plan.
- (8) Resolve Project permit issues; notify BLM/USFS if Plan is withdrawn or has continued support, and modify Plan to confirm that Projects fall under Reopener Clause of Plan (Section IV.D.2.).

- (9) Implement Tier 1 Long-Term Protection Measures (per Section IV.A. and Attachment A of the Plan).
- (10) Implement voluntary Tier 2 Cooperative Measures process (per Section IV.B. of the Plan) and hold quarterly meetings (or more frequently, as determined necessary) to assess need for, focus of, and availability of Cooperative Measures (per Section IV.B.3.).
- (11) Hold SG meetings (annual, regular, and special) (per Section VI.E.).
- (12) Perform other tasks determined by unanimous consensus of the SG.

B. At End of Provisional Period

Implement SG Plan, including, but not limited to:

- (1) Revise Plan for final Resource Guides (potentially including implementation criteria) and ORV Indicators.
- (2) Go through Mediation protocol if final Resource Guides, Indicators and potential implementation criteria are not unanimously agreed upon.
- (3) Revisit recommendation to defer a determination of suitability per the Guiding Principle.
- (4) Using results from the provisional period monitoring, develop and implement Long-Term Monitoring Plan (per Section V.A.2.).
- (5) Execute long-term MOU among stakeholders or legal entity.
- (6) Continue Tier 1 Long-Term Protection Measures.
- (7) Continue with voluntary Tier 2 Cooperative Measures process.
- (8) Continue holding SG meetings (annual, regular, and special).
- (9) Perform other tasks determined by unanimous consensus of the SG.