

TWG Meeting Agenda
La Quinta Hotel, 2510 W. Greenway Rd., Phoenix, AZ
Tuesday, November 4, 1997
9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

FINAL

9:30 Welcome and introductions of new participants (Robert Winfree)

Attendance sheet distributed (*GCMRC Secretary*)

9:45 Administrative items

9:45 Distribution of meeting information; adopt minutes of the last meeting; distribution plan for minutes; December Meeting/Federal Register Notice Printing (*Robert Winfree*)

10:00 Chair, Vice Chair: Adopt roles and responsibilities, determine length of term, rotation, confirm selections (*Robert Winfree*)

10:20 Review draft TWG Operating Procedures (*Steven Lloyd*)

10:50 Break (10 minutes)

11:00 Resume discussion of Administrative items

11:00 Report on FACA requirements related to TWG (*Bruce Moore*)

11:15 Report on the FY1998, FY1999, and FY2000 Adaptive Management Program budgets (*Bruce Moore*)

11:45 Public comment

12:00 Lunch (1 hour)

1:00 Resume discussion of administrative items

1:00 Recommendation to AMWG to adopt existing Management Objectives for FY1998 and FY1999 (*Bruce Moore*)

1:15 Review draft report on roles, planning milestones, and integration (*Chris Harris*). Integrate AOP with TWG planning calendar, for timely review of BOR forecasts and GCMRC recommendations for flows (*new ad hoc group?*).

1:30 Reports on the November, 1997 planned experimental flow

Operational planning issues (*Randy Peterson*)

Research and monitoring activities (*Dave Garrett*)

2:00 Endangered Species

2:00 Report on endangered species, Biological Opinion, and ES (humpback chub and Kanab ambersnail) consultation/coordination issues related to spring, 1998 flood (*Chris Karas*)

Discussion regarding TWG coordination to integrate ESA related issues with dam and flow related planning (*Clayton Palmer*)

Discussion about the role, function, and coordination of the Kanab Ambersnail Workgroup (*Norm Henderson*)

3:15 Break (10 minutes)

3:25 Spring 1998 weather forecasts, flood planning and coordination

3:25 Update on hydrologic forecasts and El Nino phenomena (*Randy Peterson and Ted Melis*)

3:45 Review recommendations of the Risk-of-Spill Flood Trigger task group (*Randy Peterson*). The group's charge is to define an acceptable level of risk to trigger flood/spill planning (e.g., hydrologic forecast, reservoir capacity, resource condition, spillway use criteria).

4:15 Discuss contingency planning process for potential high flows in spring/summer 1998. Should TWG recommend that AMWG charge GCMRC with evaluating potential effects of flood flows (scheduled/unscheduled emergency releases) above 45,000 cfs to advise TWG and AMWG on alternative resource protection measures?

4:45 Public Comment

5:00 Adjourn until morning

TWG Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, November 5, 1997
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

8:00 Welcome and introductions of new participants (Robert Winfree)

Attendance sheet distributed (*GCMRC Secretary*)

8:15 Grand Canyon Monitoring and Research Center programs

8:15 Report on the FY1998 monitoring and research program (*Dave Garrett*)

8:45 Review the GCMRC FY1999 program (work plan) and recommendations from the October 10 and October 30 task group meetings (*Dave Garrett*)

9:15 Develop a position statement for the AMWG regarding the FY1999 program.
(Plan and position statement to be mailed to AMWG by December 15)
(*task group leader or chair*)

9:30 Report regarding progress on the draft Report to Congress, and discussion
(*Dave Garrett*)

10:00 Report on the GCMRC Data Management Protocols advisory group, activities and participants (*Ruth Lambert and Kurt Dongoske*)

10:15 Public comment

10:30 Break (*10 minutes*)

10:40 Action Items

Items needed before December 10-11 TWG Meeting

Information packets to AMWG for their January 15 meeting. 60 days advance notice requested (November 15 mailing)

- 1) Recommendation regarding adoption of the current Management Objectives and formation of task group(s) to update management objectives and information needs
(*Bruce Moore*)
 - 2) Annual Report to Congress (*Dave Garrett*)
 - 3) State of Natural and Cultural Resources in the Colorado River Ecosystem report
(*Dave Garrett*)
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- 4) Recommended criteria to trigger flood/spill planning (*risk assessment task group*)
 - 5) Recommendations regarding March, 1998 Beach Building Flow based on hydrologic forecasts, risk of spill assessment, "State of the River Resources" report, and GCMRC analysis (*task group*)
 - 6) TWG recommendations (position statement) on FY1999 GCMRC program and budget (*task group*)
 - 7) Approved TWG meeting minutes (*by GCMRC Secretary*)
 - 8) Approved TWG Operating Procedures (*Steven Lloyd*)
 - 9) Cover memo, list of items, and listing of any items which will be mailed before December 15 (*Bob Winfree*)
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Other Action Items and Dates Required

12:00 Lunch (1 hour)

1:00 New business and suggested agenda items for December and January meetings

1:00 Form task group to review management objectives and information needs for FY 2000 work plan. Revised objectives to be completed for mailing to AMWG 60 days prior to mid year meeting (April 1998 target?)

1:20 State of the Resource Report, format, baseline data (*Dave Garrett*) (new task group)

1:40 Programmatic Agreement Discussion, interaction with GCMRC funding (*discussion leader tba*)

Schedule January meeting; set daily start/end times

Other New Business from TWG members

Public comment

4:00 Adjourn meeting
