

## Memorandum

**Date:** March 2, 2016  
**To:** Executive Committee, Arkansas Basin Round Table (ABRT)  
**From:** Deb Phenicie, Coordinator, Arkansas River Watershed Coalition (ARWC)  
**Subject:** ARWC Activity Report

### Activities Completed

#### ARWC Grant Task 1: Collaborative Development

- Planned and conducted the ARWC Area Meeting in Walsenburg on February 5.
- Met with the Fountain Creek Watershed, Flood Control and Greenway District, and the El Paso County Regional Watershed Collaborative on January 26.
- Met with Purgatoire Watershed Partnership (PWP) on February 4.
- Prepared a draft of the Healthy Watersheds Consortium Grant application to support sub-basin groups.

#### ARWC Grant Task 2: Data Review, Mapping, and Sharing

- WFDSS / Victor - project planning for implementation summer/fall 2016
- Collect basin-wide watershed health data

#### ARWC Grant Task 4: Outreach and Education

- Attended Farm/Ranch/Water Symposium

#### ARWC Grant Task 5: Watershed Health Projects

- Headwaters Project – continued planning efforts for implementation summer 2016
- Upper Arkansas Reservoirs - Bathymetric project proposal evaluation (referred to Gary)
- Minnie Canyon - project scoping for implementation late summer/fall 2016
- Lower Arkansas – Evaluate water quality research and the proposed best management practices (BMPs) to be implemented
- Watershed Health Projects – coordination with Non-Consumptive Committee

### Upcoming Activity for March

#### ARWC Grant Task 1: Collaborative Development

- Reviewing and coalescing notes from previous 4 area meetings, preparing presentation
- Planning and coordinating the ARWC basin-wide meeting to be held on March 29

#### ARWC Grant Task 2: Data Review, Mapping, and Sharing

- WFDSS / Victor - project planning continuing for implementation summer/fall 2016
- Collecting basin-wide watershed health data - ongoing

#### ARWC Grant Task 4: Outreach and Education

- Setting up a list-serve to encourage collaboration and partnerships among participants
- Developing the website to include calendar and event/registration to streamline process
- Preparing presentation for El Paso County Commissioners on March 31

#### ARWC Grant Task 5: Watershed Health Projects

- Headwaters Project – continuing planning efforts for implementation summer 2016
- Lower Arkansas – continued coordination to identify opportunities to implement BMPs
- Watershed Health Projects – continued coordination with Non-Consumptive Committee
- Cucharas River Sediment Basin Project – presentation planning
- Evaluate potential watershed health projects