

Minutes
Seattle Water Supply System Operating Board
October 3, 2013
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Cedar River Water and Sewer District
18421 SE Petrovitsky Rd
Renton, WA 98058

<u>Board Members</u>	<u>Board Alternates</u>	<u>Wholesale Utility Representatives</u>	<u>SPU Attendees</u>	<u>Other Attendees</u>
Nancy Ahern Dave Hilmoe Ron Little Byron Murgatroyd Ron Sheadel	Lynne Danielson Steve Moye Ron Speer	Don Fiene Mike Harris Tom Malphrus Mark Parsons Diane Pottinger	Terri Gregg Dave Beedle Rand Little	Walt Canter Denny Clouse Pam Martin John Thompson Steve Pfaff

- **Welcome and Introductions**
- **Minutes/Agenda**
 - The September 5, 2013 minutes were approved as written.
 - The agenda for the October 3, 2013 meeting was approved as written.
- **New Business**
 - **Cedar Instream Resources 101** (Attachment 2)
Rand Little, SPU Instream Resource Manager presented on Cedar River's Instream flow management. Highlights include:
 - Early work conducted by the WDF and USGS was used to develop the 1971 recommended minimum flow regime which ultimately lead to the 1986-1991: Cedar River Instream Flow Committee (CRIFC). By 2000, Instream flows were included in the Federal and State approved HCP. Then in 2006 the Muckleshoot Tribe and City of Seattle agreement added additional limits on annual diversions.
 - The key elements in instream flows include; guarantee flow regime, facility improvements, downstream habitat, limits on water diversion, flexibility in management of the unallocated water and continued research and monitoring.
 - The CRIFC includes representatives from the following entities:
 - National Marine Fisheries Service

- US Fish and Wildlife Service
 - Muckleshoot Indian Tribe
 - Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
 - Washington State Department of Ecology
 - King County
 - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
 - Seattle City Light
 - Seattle Public Utilities
- **Walsh Ditch Project**
Dave Beedle, Watershed Hydrology Manager gave a power point presentation on the design and construction of the Walsh Ditch improvement project near Landsburg. After episodic landslides to the original ditch continued to pose a threat to water supply and habitat the Walsh Ditch – Rock Creek Confluence Enhancement Project was initiated. The project was constructed to enhance the ditch so it could continue to divert water from Walsh Lake to Rock Creek and out of the Cedar River. The project took a month to complete once permitted and managing flows during the construction posed some challenges. However, once completed the ditch should no longer pose any threats to water supply or habitat in the watershed.
 - **Executive Summaries and Other Business**
 - **Future Meetings**
 - November 7, 2015
 - December 5, 2013
 - **For the Good of the Order**
 - **Public Comment Period**
No comments provided
 - **Material Presented:**
- 7. Board Meeting Adjourned @ 2:30 PM**

Approved by:

Chair, Matt Everett
Seattle Water Supply System Operating Board

Date