

**Upper Arkansas Basin Advisory Committee
Teleconference
8:30a.m., Tuesday, August 22, 2006**

Meeting Notes

Attendance:

Upper Arkansas BAC:

Clark Rusco (Chairperson), Ron Allen (Vice Chairperson), Lynn Freese, Steven Hines, Randy Hayzlett, Roger Mohr, Kermit Thompson, and Steve Cottrell

Members Absent:

Ron Osterbuhr and Beverly Komarek

Others in Attendance:

Susan Metzger (KWO), Bob Frisbee (KSU Research and Extension)

Ark River Compact Coalition Appointments

Clark Rusco and Ron Allen discussed the purpose of the teleconference. The terms of Randy Hayzlett and David Brenn to the Kansas-Colorado Ark River Compact Commission expire this fall, and the Governor will be making recommendations for those positions. Clark expressed his opinion that both Randy and David should be reappointed.

Randy Hayzlett expressed his appreciation for the recommendation of support for his reappointment.

A motion was made by Steve Cottrell and seconded by Roger Mohr as follows:

The Upper Ark Basin Advisory Committee strongly urges the Governor to reappoint Mr. Randy Hayzlett and Mr. David Brenn to the Kansas-Colorado Ark River Compact Commission when their terms expire in October 2006. The experience of both men is invaluable, particularly in light of ongoing issues of compliance between the two states.

The motion carried unanimously.

Other BAC Business

Steven Hines requested information about the application of the MidArk model prepared by Kansas Geological Survey (KGS) to assessing tamarisk impacts to groundwater. In addition, he suggested looking in to a Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) or similar programs for tamarisk control. Susan Metzger discussed a tamarisk control project in Finney County planned for September 2006. In addition, the Kansas Alliance for Wetlands and Streams (KAWS) is accepting applications for landowner control projects.

Steve Cottrell inquired into the application process for BAC membership. Current members are asked to reapply using the new application so that the new categories can be filled.

Upcoming Meetings

A joint meeting of the Upper Arkansas, Lower Arkansas, and Cimarron BACs is scheduled for Thursday, **October 12, 2006 at 1:00pm in Kinsley.**

The Kansas Water Authority meeting will be November 16-17 in Great Bend.

A motion for adjournment was made by Steve Hines and seconded by Steve Cottrell.