AGENDA

ACTIONS TAKEN SHOWN IN RED

The Poudre Runs Through It Study/Action Work Group
September 7, 2018
Town of Windsor Utilities
922 N. 15th Street, Windsor

7:30—8:00  Breakfast
Dialogue with others

8:00—8:15  Setting the Stage for the Day and Looking Forward—MaryLou
• Welcome New Members
• Thanks to Town of Windsor for today’s meeting space
• Funding letters have been sent to members and organizations with which you are affiliated. Hoping for 100% participation, even if the dollar amount of your contribution is small
• Contact info correct for anyone?
• Affiliations list up to date? Any to add?

Update along with an opportunity for each member to introduce themselves to our new members, and for new members to introduce themselves to the whole

9:15—9:30  Annual Revisit of PRTI Rules of Engagement
We adopted the attached rules of engagement, revised from previous years to include new language regarding consensus, attached.

9:30—9:45  Break

9:45—10:00  Initiatives and Other Actions Reports
• Poudre River Forum
• FLOWS Initiative
• Diversion Improvements

10:00—10:45  New Actions to Consider
• Review Action Process from PRTI Guiding Document (below)
• Steve Malers, Open Water Foundation Proposal
• “Education Beyond the PRF”--reopen the subcommittee effort from summer of 2017?
• Other?
Looking Forward: Input from PRTI as Larimer County Updates its Comprehensive Plan, Part 2, East of the Foothills

This is the first update of the plan since 1997. Part 1, Mountain Region, was completed in 2017. Aspects of interest to PRTI include land use planning as relates to water supply, and river resilience. Matt Lafferty, Principal Planner at Larimer County Planning Department will present and take input.

Closing and Adjourn—MaryLou

FROM THE PRTI GUIDING DOCUMENT:

Action: Supporter, Incubator, Catalyst, Initiator

In order for PRTI to make significant and ongoing strides in furthering PRTI’s vision of making the Poudre River a premier example of a healthy working river, we aim to pay close attention to the action part of our Mission. Our aim is to be flexible and serve whatever role is appropriate (e.g. supporter, incubator, catalyst, and/or initiator) in furthering ideas consistent with the PRTI’s vision. For instance, we can proactively identify needs and potential actions that advance progress toward our vision. We can seek others, whether individuals or groups, with whom we can partner. In some cases we can simply write letters of support for actions that advance our vision. In other cases we can bring together key potential players to incubate ideas. Sometimes we can serve as catalysts, and sometimes as partners of efforts catalyzed by others. When we choose an action that we will lead, we will adopt it as one of our PRTI initiatives and seek funding, if needed, to accomplish it.

Our initiatives to date are:
1) Poudre River Forum
2) Instream flow augmentation initiative
3) Gaging the river signs
4) Resource investigation for “after flood” ditch company diversion structure improvements to incorporate environments benefits
5) Investigation of the causes of large, abrupt flow fluctuations on the river

Typically, criteria for action includes:
1) The action must have the consensus of PRTI membership
2) The action must be supported by resources outside the PRTI base funding
3) The action must have a champion(s) within the PRTI membership or a reasonably clear path to achieve such a champion outside the group

Suggested process for proposing/initiating a new action:
1) Either a current member of PRTI or someone external to the group can propose to initiate a new action by notifying the PRTI facilitator.
2) The PRTI Steering Committee will discuss the proposal at its next scheduled meeting or at a special meeting if needed and may choose to meet with the proponents to refine the action proposal.
3) After discussion with the PRTI Steering Committee the proponents will decide how to move the proposal forward for discussion, possible concurrence, and timely action (if warranted) at subsequent PRTI meeting(s.)
Poudre Runs Through It Study/Action Work Group Rules of Engagement
Adopted October 5, 2012, Revised September 30, 2014, Accepted Unchanged September 11, 2015 and again on September 16, 2016, Revised September 7, 2018

1. Everyone's input is equally important.

2. Only one conversation will go on at once (unless subgroups are working on a topic).

3. Respect the speaker: don't take part in side conversations; listen and ask clarifying questions.

4. Discussions and criticisms will focus on interests, not people.

5. Respect differences.

6. Share your experiences and knowledge.

7. Everyone is responsible for our success.

8. Address differences or conflicts directly and positively.

9. Keep up to date and be fully present.

10. Listen respectfully; sincerely try to understand the other person's needs and interests.

11. Don't dwell on things that did not work in the past, but instead focus on the future we would like to create. However, we can learn from the past without dwelling on it.

12. Use discretion when sharing what was said in the group with others outside the group. Avoid attributing to any particular individual anything that was said in the group.

13. None of us should talk to the press independently about what the group has “decided.” Reagan will be the group's contact with the press.

14. If the group makes any decisions, it should be by consensus, following this definition of consensus from PRTI's Guiding Document:
   For the PRTI to adopt or support a proposed action, there must first be consensus among the PRTI members to do so. We define consensus as having the firm backing of most, and at least agreement to not oppose by the others. We operate under a 1-2-3 framework, where 1) means you fully support, 2) means you support or can live with it but may have reservations, and 3) means you cannot support. If any action is proposed where most members fully support the action and a few oppose it, the opposing members must articulate the reason for their opposition and in good faith consider revisions to the proposal or action that would address the concern(s). Nothing in this process is intended to prevent members or groups of members from separately taking actions outside of the PRTI.

15. If issues arise that distract the group from the current topic, they can be “parked” for future consideration.
16. If you have to miss a session, let MaryLou know ahead of time. Don’t send a substitute.