

**Name:** WATER CONSERVATION BOARD - COLORADO  
**CRS:** 37-60-104  
**Expiration:**  
 No Members: 15  
 Term: 3 Yr  
 Department: Natural Resources  
 Senate  
 Confirmation:  
 Senate Codes:  
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 Compensation: Actual expenses

**Description:**

The Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB) consists of 15 members. The executive director of the Department of Natural Resources is a voting member ex officio. The Attorney General, State Engineer, Director of the Division of Wildlife, Commissioner of Agriculture or designee, and Director of the CWCB are nonvoting members ex officio. The nine remaining members shall be qualified electors of the state, well versed in water matters, and shall be appointed by the governor, with the consent of the senate, for terms of three years. The appointments shall be made in such a manner that the terms of three members shall expire on February 12 of each year. Any vacancy in the Governor's appointments that occurs while the Senate is in session must be confirmed by the Senate before the person can take office on the board. Vacancies to be filled while the Senate is not in session will not be considered permanent appointments until the Senate confirms the appointee.

The Governor's appointees shall be chosen geographically as follows: Four from the western slope and five from the eastern slope; but, of the five members to be appointed from the eastern slope, one shall be from the Rio Grande drainage basin, one from the North Platte drainage basin, one from the Arkansas drainage basin, one from the South Platte drainage basin outside of the city and county of Denver, and one from the City and County of Denver and intimately familiar with its water problems; and that of the four members to be appointed from the western slope, one shall be from the Yampa-White drainage basin, one from the main Colorado drainage basin, one from the Gunnison-Uncompahgre drainage basin, and one from the San Miguel-Dolores-San Juan drainage basins.

To the extent possible, appointments to the board shall include persons representing the following areas of experience and expertise: water resource management; water project financing; engineering, planning, and development of water projects; water law; and irrigated farming or ranching. Members of the board shall be residents of the geographic area they represent. No more than five appointees to the board shall be members of the same political party. Members may not vote by proxy.

The board is responsible for promoting the conservation of the state's water by fostering and encouraging irrigation districts, water users' associations, conservancy districts, drainage districts, mutual reservoir companies, mutual irrigation companies, grazing districts, and other agencies; assisting such agencies in their financing, gathering data and information for the greater utilization of the state's water; cooperating with the federal government on water conservation and flood control projects; and other related duties. The complete duties of the board are specified in section 37-60-106, C.R.S.

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Member	Place	Party	Occupation	Geo Area	Exec Order	Date Apptd	Term Expires	Appt By	Date Confirmed	Reappointed
Biggs, Barbara J.	Denver	DEM		City & County of Denver	A094 07	04/20/2007	02/12/2010	Gov	05/04/2007	A086 04 (prev conf 3/1)
Blakeslee, Geoff D.	Hayden	DEM		Yampa-White	A094 07	04/20/2007	02/12/2010	Gov	05/04/2007	
Dils, Reed K.	Buena Vista	DEM		Arkansas	A099 08	04/03/2008	02/12/2011	Gov	05/05/2008	
Gimbel, Jennifer			Director of Colorado Water Conservation Board - Non-Voting					Ex Officio		
McClow, John H.	Gunnison			Gunnison-Urcomj	A082 09	04/02/2009	02/12/2012	Gov	05/04/2009	
Montgomery, April D.	Norwood	DEM		San Miguel - San Juan - Dolores	A217 09	09/11/2009	02/12/2011	Gov	01/01/2010	Replaces Bruce White resigned
Redifer, John D.	Grand Junction	DEM		Colorado	A094 07	04/20/2007	02/12/2010	Gov	05/04/2007	A086 04 (prev conf 3/1)
Remington, Tom			Ex. Dir. Division Of Wildlife - Non-Voting					Ex Officio		Replaces John Mumm
Sherman, Harris			Ex. Dir. Dept. of Natural Resources - Voting					Ex Officio		
Smith, Travis L.	Del Norte	REP		Rio Grande	A099 08	04/03/2008	02/12/2011	Gov	05/05/2008	A018 05 (prev conf 3/7)
Stulp, John			Commissioner of Agriculture - Non-Voting					Ex Officio		
Suthers, John			Attorney General - Non-Voting					Ex Officio		
Trick, Carl	Cowdrey	REP		North Platte	A082 09	04/02/2009	02/12/2012	Gov	05/04/2009	A045 06 (prev conf 3/2)
Wilkinson, Eric W.	Greeley	REP		South Platte	A082 09	04/02/2009	02/12/2012	Gov	05/04/2009	A071 00; A094 03 (pre pg. 116); A045 06 (pre pg 549)
Wolfe, Dick			State Engineer - Non-Voting					Ex Officio		

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Bill Ritter, Jr.  
Governor

September 11, 2009

To the Honorable  
Colorado Senate  
Colorado General Assembly  
State Capitol Building  
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Colorado, I have the honor to designate, appoint, and submit to your consideration, the following:

MEMBER OF THE  
COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD

for a term expiring February 12, 2011:

April D. Montgomery of Norwood, Colorado, a resident of the San Miguel-Dolores-San Juan drainage basin and a Democrat, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Bruce T. Whitehead of Hesperus, Colorado, appointed.

Sincerely,

Bill Ritter, Jr.  
Governor