

INFORMATION AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Summary
April 20, 2001
Bureau of Reclamation, Grand Junction, Colorado

While Debbie Felker and Angela Kantola circled the Grand Junction airport, (and later flew to the metropolitan city of Hayden, Colorado) the following I&E Committee members met: Chris Treese, Geoff Tischbein, Jennifer DeLeon, Kathy Holley, John Shields (by phone), David Whitman and Jone Wright

The group welcomed David Whitman of the National Park Service (Dinosaur National Monument) to the meeting.

** Action items.

1. Washington D. C. Briefing - John Shields summarized the D.C. briefings and reported that the group was well received and the Program was given several compliments from the people they met with. John also encouraged the committee to review his trip report at <http://www.r6.fws.gov/crrip/doc/2001TripReport.pdf>
2. I&E Committee Vacancies - Geoff Tischbein announced he would be retiring from the DOW in the next few months and he thought the I&E Committee should be thinking about his replacement. Those in attendance felt it would be a good idea if the replacement were from the DOW. **Chris Treese volunteered to make a point of discussing a replacement with Russell George.

John Shields also thought it was important that WAPA and/or CREDA also be represented on the I&E Committee. **Chris will follow up with Debbie about this.

3. Interpretive Exhibit Update - Kathy Holley, with input from David Whitman, reported that she continues to meet with Audubon and Reynolds Polymer, a Grand Junction company that is interested in working with us to establish a unique and innovative endangered fish aquarium at the Audubon Education Center southwest of Grand Junction. Among other things, Reynolds uses visual techniques to fade in and out native habitat to nonnative habitat, etc.

Reynolds is also willing to work with us on creating aquariums at other locations, i.e., Vernal Field House Museum, Lake Powell Visitors Center, Grand Junction Science Center, Carpenter Ranch at Hayden, and perhaps more.

Kathy could use more magnets and some copies of "Rivers at Risk" and Quarterone's "Historical Report." It was suggested that the "Rivers at Risk" be reviewed and updated before reprinting. John also suggested making it available on a compact disc. Quarterone's Historical Report should also be reviewed and maybe a synopsis of the Recovery Program be included at the front of it. **Geoff will check to see if there aren't some copies of Quarterone's report at the DOW.

David provided an application for a grant that he thought might be appropriate for some of the Recovery Program's activities. **Jone will forward the application to Debbie in case someone might have an appropriate use for applying for it.

4. Jennifer DeLeon passed out drafts of the 12" x 18" signs the four endangered fish for the committee to review and return their comments to her by Friday, May 4th. The Recovery Programs' logo is on all the signs. The cost for 7 sets (4 signs in each set) \$1,215 total. **If anyone would like a set of the signs, they should get in touch with Jennifer by Friday, May 4th.

** Draft sign copy will be sent to I&E members for quick turnaround review. Silence will be considered support.

The kiosk and Jennifer's proposal for the entryway to the hatchery has been put on hold until a replacement for Tom Pruitt comes on board.

5. "Plumbing Map" Update - The committee gave the okay to the subcommittee consisting of John, Debbie and Chris, to work with the Colorado River Water Users Association to develop this interactive map. The subcommittee decided on a name for the map - RIVER (*River Interactive ViewER*).
6. Schedule Next Meeting - August 17 time and place to be announced. Topics include a rotating secretary!!!

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