

**Colorado Association of Stormwater and Floodplain Managers
General Meeting Minutes**

November 8, 2007 – Applegate Group, Inc., Denver, Colorado

Meeting Attendees

Name	Organization
David Bennetts	Urban Drainage and Flood Control District
Chris Carlson	City of Loveland
Ken Cecil	J3 Engineering
Joe Chaplin	City of Loveland
Debbie Fisher	Martin/Martin
David Hollingsworth	City of Longmont
Kevin Houck – Chair	Colorado Water Conservation Board
Robert Krehbiel – Denver Metro Rep.	Matrix Design Group
David Mallory – Vice Chair	Urban Drainage and Flood Control District
Dennis Maroney – SE Regional Rep. (via phone)	City of Pueblo
Deb Ohlinger - Secretary	Olsson Associates
Thuy Patton	Colorado Water Conservation Board
John Pflaum	ASCG Inc.

The following is a summary of the interactions, comments and items discussed. While this summary is not intended to represent a complete or comprehensive account of the meeting, it is intended to reflect the salient points raised and issues for further consideration. Should the attendees believe that anything might be misrepresented or misleading, please bring this to the attention of Deb Ohlinger, CASFM Secretary.

Welcome and Introductions

1. Secretary Report – Deb Ohlinger

A quorum was present with three officers and two regional representatives. The minutes from the September 13, 2007 meeting were distributed. The minutes were approved by a motion and a vote.

2. Treasurer Report

The Treasurer's Report was distributed. The organization has taken in \$141,000 and spent \$148,000 this calendar year. The 2008 budget and the 2007 end of year report will be presented at the January 2008 meeting. It was noted that one member put approximately \$5,000 worth of conference expenses on a personal credit card. In the future, the Association would prefer direct payment to companies so that no individual has to wait for personal money to be reimbursed.

3. Regional Representatives' Reports

Denver Metro – Robert Krehbiel reported that a social will be held on November 15th at the Great Northern Tavern. Cindy Thrush from UDFCD and Scott Franklin of the Corps of Engineers will present their talk about the regional 404 permit. It is the presentation they gave at the CASFM conference. Robert ordered one of every food item and still did not hit the minimum food charge, so the first beverage will be free for attendees. Approximately 35 people have attended the last two socials.

Northeast Region – Debbie Haferman – A notice of no report was sent by email. Debbie also requested to be replaced.

Southeast Region – Dennis discussed the fact that a lot of studies have been conducted on the Fountain Creek Watershed, that there is a Fountain Creek task force, and that there is a lot of concern over what to do about the watershed. The Corps recommended matching pre- and post-development hydrographs and volumes but did not address how to accomplish that. Low Impact Design is being pursued in Pueblo, but it is new to the area. There could be an opportunity for a training session in Pueblo. Chris Carlson will raise the topic at the next training committee meeting.

Northwest/Western Slope Region – No report. There was discussion of having a Western Slope representative since the southwest position has been empty for so long. Jason Ullmann, who used to work at Applegate Group and now works for the City of Montrose, was identified as someone to get in touch with on the Western Slope.

4. Committee Reports

- a) Floodplain/CFM – 49 people took the CFM and 42 passed. Kevin sent in a list of CFMs to ASFPM so that people could more easily obtain credit for attending the CASFM/Arid Regions conference. A CWCB grant paid for a number of people to take the exam.
- b) Stormwater Quality – There was a poster at the CASFM conference announcing that there will be an LID poster session at the 2008 CASFM conference. Michelle DeLaria attended porous pavement school in Wisconsin and wrote an article about it for the next newsletter. There is a stormwater seminar in December in Colorado Springs put on by Lohrman. Debbie Fisher notes that she had attended a very good workshop put on by the Colorado Asphalt Paving Association. It focused on hydrology.

There is a new organization – the Colorado Stormwater Council. Many of the people involved, approximately 40 so far, are municipal staff. One purpose of the Council is to give the stormwater community a voice. There is a website with materials. The website is Coloradostormwatercouncil.org. It was uncertain whether the site was up for the general public at this time.

- c) Scholarship – No report.
- d) Outreach – Chuck Childs is stepping down from the position. The committee will be contacted to determine if anyone currently on the committee is interested in being the chair.
- e) Membership/Training – The Ecological Stream Restoration class is occurring now. 44 people were signed up. It will be presented January 28-30 in Glenwood Springs. John Henz will be presenting a workshop on GIS applications in HEC-RAS and HEC-HMS. The committee is considering holding a stream stabilization workshop in Grand Junction that is similar to the one that was held in Longmont. The committee

is looking for more help in setting up the workshops. A proposal for a permeable paver class was discussed. It might be worthwhile to have a porous pavement workshop at the 2008 CASFM conference.

- f) Website – No report was made.
- g) Conference – Approximately 30 evaluations were submitted. Copies of the results analysis were distributed. Ways to improve submittal rates were discussed, including having an online form after the conference. The budget for the conference was \$85,000; actual expenses were \$118,000; and revenue was \$117,000.

5. 2008 CASFM Conference

The question of what potential field trips could be around Crested Butte was raised. Blue Mesa might be a good one. The plenary session was not well attended. Perhaps it should not be held in the future. Keynote speakers were discussed. Neil Greek from Colorado State University was suggested, with a topic of water trends. The question of whether there should be a happy hour and/or an informal dinner Tuesday night was raised, since it is thought that more people will arrive Tuesday night due to the location. Due to the increased interest in Low Impact Design, it might be a prominent topic for the 2008 conference. The theme “High Elevation – Low Impact” was suggested.

6. Newsletter Update

There was not enough advertising revenue for the Open Channel magazine. There is a man in Keensburg who works for the CWCB and does great newsletters. His services will be investigated for production of the newsletter. The goal is to have two newsletters before the next conference.

7. Bylaws Review

It was noted that there are several sections in our bylaws that do not reflect how the Association operates. It would be a good idea to do some housekeeping with the bylaws. Kevin will bring proposed redlines to the January 2008 meeting.

8. Meeting Dates and Locations

The following meeting schedule was approved:

Thursday, January 10	Urban Drainage and Flood Control District, Denver, 9:00
Thursday, March 13	ASCG Inc., 9:00
Thursday, May 8	Sandstone Ranch, Longmont, 9:00
Friday , July 18	Crested Butte, 12:00
Thursday, September 11	Annual Conference at Crested Butte Mountain Resort
Thursday, November 13	Applegate Group, Denver, 9:00

9. Other Business

Dues – It was approved with a vote to keep the dues the same – \$30 for individual, \$150 for corporations/agencies, and \$10 for students. It was noted that there are 658 active members.

The Gilbert White Foundation was discussed. A memorial is planned along Boulder Creek. Recognizing that Gilbert White lived in Colorado, it seemed appropriate to donate to the

memorial fund. The \$5000 budgeted for the disaster relief fund was not spent this year. It was approved with a vote that the \$5000 would go to the Gilbert White Foundation in support of the memorial.

A pop-up display banner for CASFM was discussed. The first draft was distributed and suggestions on content and look were made. A revised draft will be brought to the January 2008 meeting.