

SPECIAL REPORT May 7, 2002

Please join us for our yearly roundtable discussion. The meeting will focus on water planning activities in the various state and federal agencies in Wyoming. Specific agencies will be asked to provide a five to ten minute briefing on the water-planning-related activities in their agency. Following the presentations all of the meeting attendees are invited to participate in a round table discussion focusing on the reports and any other water planning issues. Please watch for invitations.

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The Water Forum was treated to something different this month. An Ag Issues Team from Pine Bluffs, WY, asked to be put on the docket. They presented to the Forum -"Does the Apportionment of Natural Flow of the North Platte River Below the Whalen Diversion Dam Affect the Relationship Between Environmental and Agricultural interests in the States of Nebraska and Wyoming." The team presented issues important to each state in the setting of the United States Supreme Court. Their goal of a nonpartisan, concise, and informative presentation was achieved. I am sure the Water Forum wishes them the best of luck in their competitions.

Ken Randolph, filling in for John Lawson, of the United States Bureau of Reclamation discussed runoff forecasts for the upcoming year and reservoir conditions in Wyoming. Everything Mr. Randolph presented can be found at www.gp.usbr.gov in the Great Plains Region/Wyoming Area Office.

SEO REPORT

Chace Tavelli reported next month's Water Forum will be the annual water planning round table discussion. He noted that next year the round table will not be in May due to WWDC's conflicts with consultant interviews, and that he would like to have suggestions for next season's special presentations. Chace also added the dates for the April Basin Advisory Group Meetings:

- Wind/Bighorn BAG-----4/9/02-----Cody, WY
- Snake/Salt BAG-----4/10/02-----Jackson, WY