

Peak Resources
Weekly Update for CWMA
3/14/09

On Thursday, March 12 CCWSA and CWMA held a Legislative Luncheon at the Warwick hotel near the Capitol. The event was very well planned out and both organizations put a great deal of time and effort into the event. Unfortunately, the House of Representatives was scheduled to debate the new oil and gas rules at the last minute and the debate went for five hours. As a result, all Representatives who were planning to attend our luncheon could not. On a brighter note, however, Senators Isgar and Penry, and Commissioner Stulp did attend and we had their undivided attention. After George Beck's presentation, there was some great questions and follow up and all three committed to working with us on potential solutions to our lack of funding issue. We plan on meeting with Senators Penry and Isgar in the near future to see if anything can be done this session. Senator Isgar and Representative Sonnenberg read a paragraph on the mission and goals of CWMA and CCWSA on the morning of our luncheon on both the House and Senate floors and it created good conversation in both chambers.

Tracee spoke with the Director of Facility Grounds Maintenance at the Department of Corrections and she has recommended that we meet with certain DOC employee in Canon City. Tracee has a call into this gentleman and will let JR know what his scheduling options are. CDOT Director, Russell George, has a full schedule in March and will schedule a meeting with us sometime in April.

CWMA is scheduled to meet with GOCO on March 31 at 10:00 am to discuss possible partnership opportunities and we should be well prepared for this meeting, so perhaps a conference call with the Legislative Committee would be a good idea.

House Bill 1199 was scheduled to be heard in Appropriations committee on Friday, March 13th but was laid over. I will let JR know when it will be rescheduled.

Next Steps:

- Ag Day at the Capitol on March 18th
- 35 Acre meeting on March 20th
- Meet with GOCO on March 31 to discuss partnership opportunities.
- Meet with Dept. of Correction to discuss partnership opportunities
- Meet with CDOT to discuss partnership opportunities