

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC MEETING  
WYOMING INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY**

June 24, 2009  
Plains Hotel  
Cheyenne, Wyoming

I. Roll call; Establish Quorum

Chairman Mike Easley called the meeting of the WIA Board of Directors to order at 8:05 a.m. June 24, 2009 at the Plains Hotel in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Board members present included Kyle White, Bryce Freeman, Bret Jones, J.M. Shafer and Chairman Easley.

II. Approve Agenda

Kyle White made a motion to move the staff discussion after the presentations and move new business into executive session. Bret Jones seconded that motion. Motion passed. The agenda was approved.

III. Review and Approve Minutes from June 5, 2009 Meeting

The minutes were approved by unanimous assent.

IV. Presentations

- a. **Lee White, Executive Vice-President in the Public Finance Division of George K. Baum & Company:** Presentation on new financing structures in today's capital markets and their potential application in the development and delivery of Wyoming's renewable energy resources. Please see the posted presentation at [www.wyia.org](http://www.wyia.org)
- b. **Robert Henke, Senior Vice President of ICF International:** Project update on the Infrastructure Authority's sponsorship of an independent analysis of required separation distance between newly constructed major electric transmission lines.
- c. **Jerry Vaninetti, Vice President of Western Development for Trans-Elect Development Company:** Update on the Phase 2 Feasibility Study being conducted for the High Plains Express (HPX) transmission project. Please see the posted presentation at [www.wyia.org](http://www.wyia.org)
- d. **Brian Jeffries, Executive Director of the Wyoming Pipeline Authority:** Offered his appraisal of gas storage as a critical element in firming and adding value to Wyoming wind resources. Please see the posted presentation at [www.wyia.org](http://www.wyia.org)

- e. **Don Collins, CEO of the Western Research Institute in Laramie:**  
Discussed how “smart grid” needs vary by geographic region, depending on such factors as load characteristics, and the applicability (or inapplicability) of certain “smart grid” initiatives to Wyoming. Please see the posted presentation at [www.wyia.org](http://www.wyia.org)
- f. **John Corra, Director of the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality:** Provided updated clarity around EPA’s New Source Review (NSR) program – what it really means, how it’s applied and its potential benefits and detriments.
- g. **Bob Whitten:**  
Presentation on behalf of the Eastern Wyoming Wind Associations, highlighting the wind resource opportunities and need for transmission development in Niobrara and eastern Converse County. Please see the posted presentation at [www.wyia.org](http://www.wyia.org)

V. Staff discussion items:

Steve Ellenbecker gave an update on the activities and developments of the WIA. Listed below are the topics that were discussed:

- Western Governors’ Association Renewable Energy Zone Hubs
- Western Area Power Administration collaborative with WY transmission developers related to federal stimulus funding
- WY Game and Fish Map on wildlife sensitivities

VI. New Business- This agenda item was moved into executive session

- Board discussion and possible formal actions on Wyoming-Colorado Intertie Project

VII. Public Comment Opportunity

No public comment was offered at this time.

VIII. Executive Session

The Board adjourned into executive session.

At 3:05 pm, Chairman Easley reconvened the public session.

The Board approved the development budget for the Wyoming-Colorado Intertie Project through August 2009.

IX. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:30pm.