International Elk-Kootenai/y Watershed Study Board
Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2025
13:30-15:30 MST

Meeting Attendance

Study Board Members: Oliver Brandes (Co-chair); Tom Bansak (Co-chair); Kelly Munkittrick; Clayton Matt; Jill Frankforter; Richard Di Guilio; Violet Birdstone;

Study Management Team: Jason Gildea (SMT); John Kilpatrick (SMT); Erin Sexton (SMT); Jeffrey Lemieux (SMT); Patrick Williston (SMT); Heather McMahon (SMT),

IJC Staff: Glenn Benoy (IJC); Jo Werba (IJC); Ed Virden (IJC); Michael Laitta (IJC); Christina Chiasson (IJC), Yon Trimble (IJC); Lyne Sabourin (IJC); Cara Prest (IJC)

Meeting Guests in attendance: None

AGENDA

Meeting Call to Order: Meeting called by Oliver Brandes (Co-chair); Tom Bansak (Co-chair)

1. **Previous Meeting Summary**

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved without changes. The Board reviewed action items from the previous meeting.

2. **IJC Update**

IJC staff provided an update on potential information pathways for interested parties to meet with the Study Board to learn about their work. The Study Board will consider these requests.

3. **Public Consultation Period on Draft Plan of Study**

The Study Board debriefed the special meeting held with its Advisory Groups and the feedback and questions received during the session. IJC staff provided an update on the public comments that have been received so far during the public comment period, and the Study Board discussed managing the review and implementation of comments.

4. **February In-Person Meeting**

The Study Board discussed the agenda for the upcoming face-to-face meeting of the Board in Calgary, AB. The focus of the meeting will focus on addressing public comments in the Plan of Study. The Board

also plans to discuss the formation of its Technical Working Groups and public-facing events in summer 2025.