



## Roadmap for CWC Member Involvement

The Colorado Water Congress is organized as the principal voice of Colorado’s water community. Our mission is to initiate and advance programs to conserve, develop, administer, and protect the water resources of the State of Colorado. The CWC Board encourages all members to be directly involved in the organization on behalf of the entire Colorado water community. CWC dedicates resources to accomplish this objective. Members have multiple avenues to engage with CWC’s mission.

### What is a Discussion Group?

A Discussion Group is organized by a set of CWC members for a specific purpose within CWC’s mission. A Discussion Group may be of indefinite term, relies on the group’s internal expertise, and is minimally supported by CWC staff.

### What is a Work Group?

A Work Group is organized by a set of CWC members or the CWC for a specific purpose as approved by the CWC Board. Work products are completed using Work Group resources within a specific timeframe.

### What is a Special Project?

A Special Project is created by the CWC Board for a long-term specific purpose. Annual budgets and funding mechanisms are set by Special Project funders. CWC serves an administrative role to collect funds for a Special Project and maintain them in a separate, annually audited bank account. A 5% administrative charge is assessed on Special Projects. If a Special Project requires CWC staff support, reimbursement for staff time may be provided.

Current Special Projects: Colorado River Endangered Species and Colorado Water Stewardship Project

### What is a Standing Committee?

A Standing Committee is created by the CWC Board for an ongoing specific purpose. A Standing Committee consists of CWC members and is supported by CWC staff. An annual fee may be set by the CWC Board to cover external expenses of a Standing Committee.

Current Standing Committees: State Affairs, Federal Affairs, POND, Water Quality, and Communications.

### What is a Subcommittee?

A Subcommittee is created by a Standing Committee to study and provide recommendations to the Committee on a specific issue.

### Summary

<b>Group</b>	<b>Created By</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>CWC Board Approval?</b>	<b>CWC Staff Support</b>	<b>Financial Support</b>	<b>Nonmembers Allowed?</b>
<b>Discussion Group</b>	Members	Indefinite	No	No	None	Yes
<b>Work Group</b>	Members or CWC Board	Defined	Maybe	Minimal	None	Maybe
<b>Special Project</b>	CWC Board	Long-term	Yes	Maybe	Sp. Project Participants	Yes
<b>Standing Committee</b>	CWC Board	Permanent	Yes	Yes	Committee Fee/Other	No
<b>Subcommittee</b>	Standing Committee	Short-term	No	Maybe	None	Maybe