

**MINUTES  
OF THE 53<sup>rd</sup> REGULAR MEETING OF THE INTERSTATE  
COMMISSION FOR WATER COORDINATION (ICWC)  
OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN, THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC,  
THE REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN, TURKMENISTAN AND  
THE REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN**

**June 04, 2009**

**City of Dushanbe**

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**AGENDA  
of regular 53<sup>rd</sup> ICWC meeting**

1. About results of non-growing season 2008-2009 and adoption of limits of water withdrawal from Amudarya and Syrdarya river channels for the next growing season 2009 and approval of forecast operation of the cascade of reservoirs (responsible BWO “Amudarya” and BWO “Syrdarya”).
2. Analysis of fulfillment of ICWC decisions by the executive agencies (charge to ICWC Secretariat, Protocol No.51 of 18.09.2008)
3. About implementation of the adopted pattern of rotation of ICWC executive agencies.
4. Any other business
5. Agenda and venue of the next 54th ICWC meeting.

The members of the Interstate Commission for Water Coordination (ICWC) of Central Asia, having agreed on the agenda, having heard the reports and exchanged the opinions, had decided on the following:

**First item:**

1. Take into consideration the information of BWO “Amudarya” and BWO “Syrdarya” on the fulfillment of water withdrawal limits and provision of the accepted operating regime of reservoir cascade system and water withdrawals in Amudarya and Syrdarya basins during non-growing season 2008-2009.
2. Adopt forecast regimes of reservoir cascade operation and water withdrawal limits by states in the Amudarya river basin for the growing season 2009 under a level of 100% probability. In case of changes in flow probability, BWO “Amudarya” may make necessary correction proportionally to share of each state.
3. BWO “Amudarya” should ensure planned transportation of water through Takhiatash waterworks to Prearalie and the Aral Sea.

**Second item:**

1. Take notice of SIC Secretariat’s information about analysis of implementation of ICWC decisions by the executive agencies.
2. The ICWC executive agencies should take timely urgent measures for implementation of ICWC decision.

3. ICWC Secretariat should submit for consideration of IFAS Board, for further implementation at Governmental level the signed “Regulations of ICWC” (Articles 4.3, 4.4, and 4.6), the draft Agreements “About institutional improvement of management, protection and use of water resources from the interstate sources in the Aral Sea basin” and “About information exchange for maintenance of databases on integrated use and protection of water resources in the Aral Sea basin (DB IUPWR ASB)”.

#### **Third item:**

1. Take notice of SIC Secretariat’s information about progress with the “Provisions on rotation of ICWC executive agencies and their managers”.
2. ICWC members (state-founders of ICWC) should decide on implementation of the adopted rotation pattern and submit their decisions officially to ICWC Secretariat in one month.
3. According to the Article 3.2 “Provisions on rotation of ICWC executive agencies and their managers”, take into consideration the statement of the Republic of Kazakhstan about refusal to accommodate SIC ICWC.
4. Due to refusal of Kazakh, Kyrgyz, and Turkmen parties from re-dislocation of SIC ICWC, the parties have decided to take into consideration the statement of the Tajik party and approve re-dislocation of SIC ICWC to the Republic of Tajikistan according to point 3.2 “Provisions on rotation of ICWC executive agencies and their managers”.
5. According to point 4 “Provisions on rotation of ICWC executive agencies and their managers”, the parties should consider an issue regarding nomination of candidates for the next meeting in order to ensure collective leadership in managing BWOs and SIC.

#### **Fourth item:**

1. Request the Swiss Development and Cooperation Agency (SDC) within the framework of the Regional Hydrometeorological Center (RHMC) project, as well as the Asian Development Bank and the German Development Agency (GTZ) to envisage construction of new and reconstruction of existing interstate gauging stations and provide them with remote communication equipment.
2. In order to ensure clear and equal distribution of water along interstate waterways, a working Commission should be established for location and sharing costs in designing and constructive new gauging stations.
3. In pursuance of Decisions of the Heads of Central Asian States of 11.01.1994, point 10 and of 09.04.1999, points 5, 10 and 11, request ICWC members to submit, in one month, to ICWC Secretariat the lists of officials, operating staff, vehicles, cars, mechanisms and workers for processing - through EC IFAS - of identity certificates and diplomatic number plates for ICWC members of a uniformly set

model and other relevant documents for unimpeded crossing of boundaries across Central Asian countries in order to execute interstate water-management activities.

**Fifth item:**

1. Next 54<sup>th</sup> ICWC meeting is to be held in Uzbekistan in September 2009.
2. Adopt agenda of the next 54<sup>th</sup> ICWC meeting.

**AGENDA  
of 54<sup>th</sup> ICWC meeting  
in Uzbekistan**

1. About progress of the growing season and additional measures for its completion (responsible BWO “Amudarya” and BWO “Syrdarya”).
2. About environmental improvement in Amudarya and Syrdarya deltas (responsible SIC ICWC)
3. About progress with rotation of ICWC executive agencies: list of candidates of country-members for filling of deputy heads of ICWC executive agencies.
4. Miscellaneous
5. Agenda and venue of the next 55<sup>th</sup> ICWC meeting

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