

**MINUTES OF THE 61TH MEETING OF THE INTERSTATE
COMMISSION FOR WATER COORDINATION (ICWC) OF THE
REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN, THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC, THE
REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN, TURKMENTISTAN, AND THE
REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN**

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Bishkek city

In attendance were:

Abishev,
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Makarov,
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Chyngysbek Makeshovich

Jayloobaev,
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ICWC members:

Chair of the Committee of Water Resources under the
Ministry of Environment Protection of the Republic of
Kazakhstan

Director General, Department for Water Resources and
Land Reclamation of the Kyrgyz Republic

First Deputy Minister of Land Reclamation and Water
Resources of the Republic of Tajikistan

Deputy Minister of Water Resources of Turkmenistan

Deputy Head of the Central Water Administration
(CWA), under the Ministry of Agriculture and Water
Resources (MAWR) of the Republic of Uzbekistan

ICWC Executive bodies:

Director of SIC ICWC

Director of BWO “Syrdarya”

Director of BWO “Amudarya”

Head of ICWC Secretariat

Director of Coordination Metrological Center, the
Kyrgyz Republic

Invited persons:

Minister of Agriculture and Land Reclamation of the
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First Deputy Director General, Department for Water
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Eshimbekov, Chyngyz	Director of the Department for International Economic Cooperation under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic
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Karlykhanov, Adilkhan Karlykhanovich	Head of the Aral-Syrdarya Basin Inspectorate, Committee of Water Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan
Nursadykov, Darkhan Kuanyshevich	First Secretary of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, Asian Cooperation Department, MFA of the Republic of Kazakhstan
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Agenda

1. The results of the non-growing season of 2012-2013 in the Amudarya and Syrdarya river basins (responsible: BWO “Amudarya” and BWO “Syrdarya”).
2. Consideration and approval of water diversion quotas and operation modes of the multi-reservoir system in the Amudarya and Syrdarya river basins for the growing season of 2013 (responsible: BWO “Amudarya” and BWO “Syrdarya”).
3. Consideration of the finalized “Concept for development of information exchange and mechanisms of relationships among its participants in Central Asia” (responsible: SIC ICWC).
4. Main lines in improving ICWC activity and mechanisms of their implementation:
 - Plan of implementation of main lines for improvement of the ICWC activity;
 - Water Sector Capacity Building Strategy for the CA countries (responsible: SIC ICWC).
5. Agenda and venue of the next 62nd ICWC meeting.

Having approved the agenda, listened to presentations of the participants of the meeting and exchanged opinions, the members of Interstate Commission for Water Coordination in Central Asia decided:

The first item:

1. Take into consideration the information of BWO Amudarya and BWO Syrdarya about the results of the non-growing season and water supply to the states within the Amudarya and Syrdarya basins during the non-growing season of 2012-2013.
2. Note that transit water diversion made by Uzbekistan during the non-growing season of 2012-2013 was enforced, nonrecurrent and connected with the existing water situation in the Syrdarya river basin.
3. Charge BWOs “Amudarya” and “Syrdarya”, starting from the next meeting, with providing monthly information on water quotas and diversion, as well as the operation mode of the multi-reservoir system during the growing and non-growing seasons.

Second issue:

For the Amudarya River basin:

1. Approve water diversion quotas of the states for the Amudarya River basin for the growing season of 2013.

For the Syrdarya River basin:

1. Approve water diversion quotas with 10%-reduction and charge BWO “Syrdarya” to incorporate adjustments, based on actual water content.

2. Under BWO “Syrdarya”, establish a working group composed of specialists who were agreed by the relevant parties, for monitoring and implementing of quotas.

3. The parties are to consider the “Canal Automation in the Fergana Valley” project and submit proposals at the next ICWC meeting.

4. In connection with the lack of accurate forecasts on sources’ water content and respective agreements, charge BWO “Syrdarya” with preparing an operation mode of the multi-reservoir system within the Syrdarya River basin.

Third issue:

The ICWC members are to submit notes and proposals on the “Concept for development of information exchange and mechanisms of relationships among its participants in Central Asia” project by the next ICWC meeting in order to generalize and further submission to the Executive Committee of ICWC.

Fourth issue:

Within two months, the ICWC members are to submit notes and proposals on “Plan of implementation of main lines for improvement of the ICWC activity” and “Water Sector Capacity Building Strategy for the CA countries” projects for consideration at the next ICWC meeting.

Fifth issue:

1. Agenda and venue of the next 62nd ICWC meeting. Дату и место проведения следующего заседания МКВК определить в рабочем порядке.

2. Approve the agenda of the next 62nd ICWC meeting.

Agenda of the next 62nd ICWC meeting

1. Progress in implementation of quotas and operation modes of the multi-reservoir system for the growing season of 2013 for the Amudarya and Syrdarya rivers basins.

2. Consideration of notes and proposals to “Concept for development of information exchange and mechanisms of relationships among its participants in Central Asia” project (responsible: SIC ICWC).

3. Main lines in improving ICWC activity and mechanisms of their implementation:

- Plan of implementation of main lines for improvement of the ICWC activity;

- Water Sector Capacity Building Strategy for the CA countries (responsible: SIC ICWC).

4. Holding of the next 63rd ICWC meeting.

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