
**MINUTES OF THE 66TH MEETING OF THE INTERSTATE
COMMISSION FOR WATER COORDINATION (ICWC) OF
THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN, KYRGYZ
REPUBLIC, REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN,
TURKMENISTAN, AND THE REPUBLIC OF
UZBEKISTAN**

April 4, 2015

Ashgabad city

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Agenda

Ashkhabad, April 4, 2015

1. The results of the non-growing season 2014-2015.
2. Consideration and approval of water withdrawal quotas and operation regimes of the reservoir cascade for the next growing season 2015 in the Amudarya and Syrdarya River Basins.
3. Consideration of proposals and comments received in the course of interdepartmental approval at national level of the draft Agreement between the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and the Republic of Uzbekistan on the Information and Analytical Support of Water Management, Use, and Protection in the Aral Sea Basin and the Arrangement of Interstate Exchange of Information.
4. Progress report of BWO Amudarya.
5. Agenda and venue of the next 67th ICWC meeting

Decision on the first item:

1. Take note of the information of BWO Amudarya and BWO Syrdarya about fulfillment of water quotas and operation of the reservoir cascade during the non-growing season 2014-2015 in the Amudarya and Syrdarya River Basins.

Decisions on the second item:

1. Approve the forecast operation schedule of the reservoir cascade and national quotas of water withdrawals in the Amudarya and Syrdarya River Basins for the growing season 2015, as amended (Annex 1 – forecast operation schedule for the Amudarya River Basin)
2. Take note of the forecast operation schedule-regime of the reservoir cascade (four options) and national quotas of water withdrawal in the Syrdarya River Basin for the growing season 2015.

3. BWO Syrdarya should make appropriate corrections in forecast operation schedule of reservoir cascade and national quotas of water withdrawal in the Syrdarya River Basin, taking into account current situation, and submit them to ICWC members for approval till the end of May 2015.

Decisions on the third item:

1. Take note of the information of the Parties about the results of interdepartmental approval at the national level of the draft Agreement between the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and the Republic of Uzbekistan on the Information and Analytical Support of Water Management, Use, and Protection in the Aral Sea Basin and the Arrangement of Interstate Exchange of Information.

2. Request the ICWC members to speed up consideration of the draft Agreement and to present proposals and comments on the document by the next ICWC meeting.

Decisions on the fourth item:

1. Take note of the progress report on activity of BWO Amudarya.

2. Charge BWO Amudarya with examining and providing data on water losses in the Amudarya River Basin to the ICWC members.

Decisions on the fifth item:

1. Propose the Kyrgyz party holding the regular 67th ICWC meeting in the Kyrgyz Republic in the first ten-days of July, 2015.

2. Agree upon the date for ICWC meeting with the Kyrgyz party in the regular course of business.

3. Agree upon the agenda of the regular 67th ICWC meeting.

Agenda of the regular 67th ICWC meeting

1. Fulfillment of water withdrawals quotas and operation regimes of the reservoir cascades in the Amudarya and Syrdarya River Basins over the growing season 2015.

2. Presentation of proposals and comments received in the course of interdepartmental approval at the national level of the draft Agreement between the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Republic of Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and the Republic of Uzbekistan on the Information and Analytical Support of Water Management, Use, and Protection in the Aral Sea Basin and the Arrangement of Interstate Exchange of Information

3. Consideration of the GIZ Project Concept “Promoting enhancement of regional water cooperation in Central Asia by building capacities of BWO Amydarya, BWO Syrdarya and their divisions”.

4. Agenda and venue of the next 68th ICWC meeting

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