

MINUTES OF THE 74th MEETING OF THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR WATER COORDINATION (ICWC) OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN, KYRGYZ REPUBLIC, REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN, TURKMENISTAN AND REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN

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Agenda of the 74th meeting of ICWC

1. Implementation of the water withdrawal limits and operation regimes of the reservoir cascades in the Syrdarya and Amudarya River basins over the growing season 2018.

2. 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. Supplementary items

a. Progress on development of ASBP-4 and the role of ICWC in this process;

b. Presentation of the Awaza tourism zone by the Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs of Turkmenistan;

c. Presentation of the regional Smart Waters Project and its interim results by the Regional Environmental Center for Central Asia.

4. Agenda and venue of the next 75th meeting of ICWC.

Decision on the first item:

1. Take into account information of BWO Amudarya and BWO Syrdarya on implementation of the limits and operation regimes of the reservoir cascade in the Syrdarya and Amudarya River basins over the growing season 2018.

Decisions on the second item:

1. Take into account information of SIC ICWC on 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. Take into account the fact that the Tajik side refrains from work under the Draft Agreement until its own national information system of water resources is developed.

3. Entrust SIC ICWC with continuation of efforts on information collection and dissemination under its mandate and existing agreements.

Decisions on supplementary issues:

On the development of ASBP-4 and the role of ICWC in this process.

1. Recommend EC IFAS include into the Regional Working Group representatives of all executive bodies of ICWC: BWO Amudarya, BWO Syrdarya, SIC ICWC, and ICWC Secretariat.

2. Executive bodies of ICWC should present information on the development of ASBP-4 at each ICWC meeting.

Decisions on the fourth item:

1. Hold the next ordinary 75th meeting of ICWC in the Republic of Tajikistan. The date and venue of the meeting are to be approved in due course.

2. Propose the following agenda for the next 75th meeting of ICWC:

1) Results of the use of water limits and the operation regimes of the reservoir cascades in the Syrdarya and Amudarya River basins over the growing season 2018;

2) Approval of water withdrawal limits and operation regimes of the reservoir cascades in the Syrdarya and Amudarya River basins over the non-growing season 2018-2019;

3) Participation of members and executive bodies of ICWC in the development of ASBP-4.

4) Supplementary items

5) Agenda and venue of the next 76th regular ICWC meeting.

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