
**MINUTES OF THE 76th 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 76th ICWC meeting

1. Results of the use of water withdrawal limits and operation regimes of the reservoir cascades in the Amudarya and Syrdarya River basins over the non-growing season 2018-2019;
2. Approval of the water withdrawal limits and forecast operation regime of the reservoir cascades in the Amudarya and Syrdarya River basins over the growing season 2019;
3. Participation of members and executive bodies of ICWC in the development of the Program of Actions in support of the countries of the Aral Sea basin (ASBP-4).
4. Agenda and venue of the next 77th regular ICWC meeting.
5. Supplementary items.

Decision on the first item:

Take into account information provided by BWO Amudarya and BWO Syrdarya on the results of the non-growing season 2018-2019 in the Amudarya and Syrdarya River basins.

Decisions on the second item:

1. Approve water withdrawal limits in the Amudarya and Syrdarya River basins for the growing season 2019 (Annexes 1 and 2).

2. Approve forecast operation regime of the reservoirs in the Amudarya River basin over the growing season 2019 (Annex 3).

3. BWO Syrdarya proposed the forecast operation regime of the Naryn-Syrdarya reservoir cascade for the growing season 2019 (Annex 4). Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan approved this operation regime provided by BWO Syrdarya. In its turn, Tajikistan expressed readiness to ensure water releases from the Bakhri Tochik reservoir as follows:

1st ten-day of June: Akdjar GS+50 m³/s;

2nd ten-day of June: Akdjar GS +100 m³/s;

3rd ten-day of June: Akdjar GS +100 m³/s;

July: Akdjar GS +150 m³/s;

1st and 2nd ten-day of August: Akdjar GS +100 m³/s;

3rd ten-day of August: Akdjar GS +50 m³/s.

4. Representatives of the Republic of Uzbekistan, Republic of Kazakhstan, and Republic of Tajikistan agreed to hold a joint meeting in the beginning of June to negotiate on provision of needed inflow to the Akdjar GS and water releases from the Bakhri Tochik reservoir in summer 2019. Representatives of the Republic of Uzbekistan and the Republic of Kazakhstan agreed to work out the issue of electricity reception from the Kyrgyz Republic and the Republic of Tajikistan for June-August 2019 before this meeting.

Decisions of the third item:

1. Take into account information of SIC ICWC on project proposals to be included in ASBP-4 and recommend the IFAS Executive Committee to include

them in the list of regional projects of ASBP-4, with comments submitted by ICWC members.

2. Entrust SIC ICWC, BWO Amudarya and BWO Syrdarya with participating in the Second Meeting of the Regional Working Group on development of ASBP-4 and improvement of institutional and legal frameworks of IFAS. It is to be held on 7-8 May 2019 in Ashgabat.

Decisions on the forth item:

1. Hold the next 77th meeting of ICWC in Nursultan (Republic of Kazakhstan) in the second ten-day of September 2019. The date and venue of the meeting are to be approved in due course.

2. Propose the following agenda for the next 77th meeting of ICWC.

1) Results of the use of water withdrawal limits and the operation regimes of the reservoir cascades in the Amudarya and Syrdarya River basins over the growing season 2019.

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

3) Implementation of proposals and initiatives of the Heads of IFAS founder-states voiced at the Summit of the Heads of IFAS founder-states (24 August 2018, Turkmenbashi city).

4) Agenda and venue of the next 78th regular ICWC meeting.

5) Supplementary items.

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