

WORKING TOGETHER ON INSTREAM FLOW RESERVATIONS

Outline for Panel Discussion

- What do you think are the most important steps we can take to build upon recent successes in federal-state cooperation on instream flow reservations? How do we get the word out about these successes?
- Are there streams/locations where we could agree to work together that would set positive and important precedents for the state's instream reservation program?
- If there was one thing that the federal agencies could consider doing that would increase DNR interest and confidence in working with federal agencies on instream flow protection, what would that be?
- If there was one thing that the state agencies could consider doing that would increase federal interest and confidence in working with DNR on instream flow protection, what would that be?
- Instream flow reservations can be politically sensitive. Is there anything that the state and feds can do to better insulate instream flow protection processes from the ebbs and flows of politics?
- Are there key areas of instream flow methodology and training where further coordination and partnerships would help?
- What are the most important things that state and federal agencies can collaborate on to improve hydrologic data that can be used for instream flow reservations?
- Are there locations where better defining the potential location, timing, and amount of federal reserved water rights for instream flows would assist the state's reservation program?