

TLG CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY
September 1, 2011

Rebecca Stevens (Chair)
Bill Adams
Rusty Sheppard
Carol Young
Mike Stevenson (Vice-Chair)

Don Carpenter
Randy Connolly
Terry Harwood
Jeri DeLange (Note Taker)

This summary provides the salient issues. These notes are intended to capture key topics, conclusions, and next steps and not the nuances of the discussion.

Agenda: None.

Round Table:

Rebecca Stevens: Scheduled the next TLG meeting on October 6th. The meeting will be held in the new conference room at the Coeur d'Alene wastewater treatment plant.

Terry Harwood: Sent out the requests for information to the various agencies for the BEIPC one-year work plan and he is also working on a draft five-year work plan. Once the work plans are in draft form, he will send them out for review. For the roads program, he is working with Bill Ryan and Rob Hanson to put together a plan as some of the road surfaces serve as barriers to contamination in the subgrade. There will be two parts: 1) paved; and 2) unpaved (gravel and dirt). He wants people to understand that it's a barrier program and not a road maintenance program.

The gate for the Rose Lake culvert should be here in about six weeks, so he's looking at getting it installed in October. He received a signed letter from the Rose Lake water district saying that they agree to the operation and maintenance (O & M).

At the EMF repository, he is close to finishing the work on building the dike and then it will be rip rapped. For the Osburn repository, he has been working with Don Vernon and Andy Mork. However, he noted that Andy Mork resigned from IDEQ for a new position.

Bill Adams: Said that EPA is still in the process of transition. Beth Sheldrake will be transitioning to Unit Manager as Cami Grandinetti is moving to another position. He will be replacing Angela Chung as the new CDA Basin Team Leader. He is planning to schedule an Upper Basin PFT meeting mid-September. The site characterization work has been done and they need to go through the information for making decisions on work plan development and the implementation plan. He also provided an update on the Basin Environmental Monitoring Plan (BEMP) and said that they are close to getting a revised BEMP. Stevens congratulated Adams on getting the position for CDA Team Leader.

Carol Young: Nothing to report.

Don Carpenter: Indicated that besides filling Andy Mork's position, IDEQ is looking for a replacement for the Basin Remedial Program Manager (i.e. formerly Dan Meyer's position).

Randy Connolly: Nothing to report.

Rusty Sheppard: Nothing to report.

Mike Stevenson: Nothing to report.

Jeri DeLange: Provided a brief update on the success of the joint North Idaho fair booth for public outreach and education. There were over 2,000 visitors. She is hoping to schedule a Communications PFT meeting sometime in October.

Rebecca Stevens: Commented that there was definitely more room in the fair booth this year, and that she is going to have Denna Grangaard give an update at the TLG meeting. She brought up that she was asked about sampling along the Latour Creek drainage by a property owner who wanted to know why their property was not being remediated when their neighbors' were being done. Harwood answered that some areas are out of the ICP administrative boundaries. However, they have found that some properties were built with mine waste that was hauled to the property. If this was the case, it will be covered under the ICP as there is a provision in the State rule to cover it. Stevens added that they had ICP maps in the fair booth this year for informational handouts.

She also gave a brief update on the Lower Basin PFT and mentioned that there were three kayakers on the CDA River who portaged through the contaminated right-of-way close to the Schleppe wetland property. The TLG discussed this issue as there is no signage at the wetland. It was suggested that it would be good to put up signage to inform the public that it is private property.

Schedule: The next TLG conference call will be 11/3/11.