

TLG CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY

August 5, 2004

Participants:

Phillip Cernera	Dave Sternberg	Rusty Sheppard
Rob Spafford	Lloyd Brewer	Bill Rust
Paul Woods	John Roland	Rog Hardy
Bill Adams	Nick Zilka	Dan Audet
Dave George	Mark Stromberg	Randy Connolly
		Ed Moreen

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 Items:

Executive Director Selection by Basin Commission

The Basin Commission wants two TLG representatives in the selection process. Four applicants will be interviewed August 16, and the remaining two will be interviewed in the early morning part of the August 31 Commission meeting. The two TLG representatives will be present at the interviews and may offer input to the Commission. Core staff will be at the interviews, and will not use the two additional opportunities for TLG representation for their agencies.

Nominations were taken for the two TLG representatives to be present at the Executive Director interviews. Shoshone County, the City of Spokane, and the USDA Forest Service were nominated. Cernera will solicit additional nominations for return to him by close of business August 10, and votes will be cast by close of business August 11.

TLG Process for CWA Project Proposal Review

There has been discussion among core staff as to what the PFTs should be doing with respect to the CWA proposals. Cernera offered that his thought is that the 17th and 18th will be the first chance for the groups to sit down and discuss the proposals, look for combinations, needs for clarification, etc. PFT leads should develop a brief narrative describing their groups' deliberations. These narratives will be brought to the larger group (TLG) as an aid in ranking the proposals. Every project sponsor should fill out the project cover sheet that accompanied a ranking matrix used previously. Spafford will email the cover sheet and the ranking matrix to all.

Group leads are as follows:

Lake Management and Monitoring	Phillip Cernera
Water Treatment	Bill Adams
Lower Basin Forum/Stream Bank	Nick Zilka
Mine and Millsites/Infrastructure	Bill Adams

Meetings are scheduled as follows:

August 17

Lake Management and
Monitoring PFTs:

Proposals #1, 7, 9, 12, 13, 17, and 23

Lower Basin Forum and
Stream Bank PFTs:

Proposals #8 and 14

August 18

Water Treatment PFT:

Proposals #3, 4, 6, 10, 11, 18, 19, 20, and
21.

Mine and Mill Site and
Infrastructure PFTs:

Proposals #2, 5, 15, 16, and 22

Meetings will be at the USDA Forest Service conference rooms (Off Kathleen on Schreiber Way), and will run from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM each day. Because of the numbers of proposals they have to discuss, the Lake Management and Monitoring, and the Water Treatment meetings may run into the afternoons.

The need for an Infrastructure PFT was revisited and affirmed. Bill Adams agreed to help carry it forward by acting as note taker and facilitator pending selection of a lead for the PFT.

5-Year Plan

Suggestions were to revise the most recent draft to be an addendum, to look back at the previous plan so that the update matches it better, to call on PFTs to provide updates to the table and send them to Cernera or Spafford, and to include specific activities and reaffirm the original priorities.

Note that the basis for including work in the North Fork of the Coeur d'Alene River in the 5-Year Plan is implied in the foundational Memorandum of Agreement between the parties that make up the Basin Commission, dated August 13, 2002.

Round Table:

Dan Audet: He has been involved in three field activities lately, Bunker Hill bio-monitoring, Lake sampling (waterfowl and sediments), and BEMP (invertebrate sampling and bird sampling).

Phillip Cernera: The Tribe announced \$5 million available for Lake management, contingent on state and federal matching. The Tribe has heard from the state, and will meet with the state and

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the EPA for additional discussions.

John Roland: In response to a question, John provided an update on EPA's 5-Year Review: It has a long time-line. The previous 5-year review document will be used as a guideline. Cami Grandinetti is the main contact.

Ed Moreen: The Repository PFT discussed Big Creek Repository Tech Memo and was provided with a presentation on a potential small repository at the east end of Mission Flats. Ed noted the upcoming National Public Radio program Living on Earth will feature the Trail of the Coeur d'Alenes.

Thank you for your participation.