

## TLG CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY

### September 2, 2004

#### Participants:

Dave George	Lloyd Brewer	Bill Rust
Phillip Cernera	Nick Zilka	Rob Hanson
Rob Spafford	Mark Stromberg	Rogers Hardy
Bill Adams	Rebecca Stevens	David Fortier

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:**

##### Clean Water Project Invoicing

TLG Chair Cernera asked if all recipients of CWA grants received Mark Stromberg's memo regarding invoicing for grant funds. Cernera will forward it to all.

##### Executive Director Interviews

Lloyd Brewer described the interviews briefly, in general terms. There is one interview left, and the Basin Commission is still in executive session. The deliberations and considerations are not yet complete.

##### Bill Rust's Memo to the National Academy of Science

TLG Chair Cernera will forward this memo to the TLG.

##### Thanks To Fair Booth Participants

TLG Chair Cernera thanked those who worked at the Basin Commission's booth at the Kootenai County Fair. Rebecca Stevens and Robin Simmons were there, as were representatives of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe.

##### CWA Proposal for Additional Stream Bank Project Monitoring

This proposal seeks funding to monitor the 2002 Stream Bank Stabilization CWA project. TLG Chair Cernera discussed the potential lack of fulfillment of the terms of the 2002 CWA grant, and the potential to use 2002 CWA grant funds received for the Mica Creek project to add to the Stream Bank project. The Stream Bank project includes two years of monitoring, but because of delays in starting the work, only one year of monitoring will be possible before the end of the grant period. Also included in the 2002 grant is \$115,000 for the Mica Creek project. The Basin Commission, however, only approved \$20,000 for a feasibility study for the Mica Creek work. Rob Hanson noted there are two issues: First, there is the need to fix the funding for the Mica Creek project. Second, there is the need to write an amendment to the grant to add time and funds to the 2002 Stream Bank project. [*That amendment may need to revise the scope of the work at Mica Creek, as well. Spafford.*] Bill Adams will research the questions, and the group will decide how to proceed.

2004 Clean Water Act Project Proposals

Spafford sent Bill Adams' PFT discussion synopses this morning. The group agreed to take a poll on the projects to see if the list could be shortened. Mark Stromberg said he thinks the list should not be shortened without presentations. Additional discussion ensued, and Stromberg understood the reasoning behind trying to reduce the number of presentations. Bill Rust noted that the TLG project sponsors should notify the project proponents and others involved if a project did not make the short list.

The group agreed to do a preliminary ranking of the proposals, with one preliminarily ranked list to be provided by each TLG entity. Rankings will be from 1 (most desirable) to 23 (least desirable). Preliminary levels of acceptance will also be recorded for each project. Spafford will distribute a new table today for use in this preliminary ranking.

**Round Table:**

The round table discussion was shortened due to the amount of time devoted to agenda items.

Nick Zilka: Stream Bank proposals are due from bidders next week.

Bill Rust: He observed the Vandal Ion and Xenon processes at the Page plant. They look promising.

Thank you for your participation.