

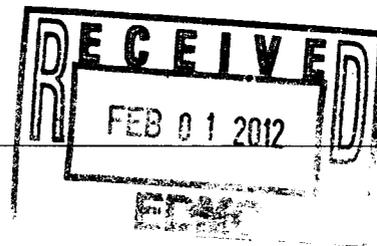
Hanford Natural Resource Trustee Council Special Project Proposal Meeting

Monday-Tuesday, June 20-21, 2011 pm
HAMMER, Administration Building, Richland, Washington

MEETING SUMMARY, v1 - FINAL

Meeting Participants:

Primary Trustees	Alternate Trustees	Others
Barbara Harper, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR) - via telephone (Mon) Dana Ward, U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Janis Ward, DOE (Tues) Russ MacRae, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) Charlene Andrade, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Jack Bell, Nez Perce Tribe Paul Shaffer, State of Oregon Larry Goldstein, State of Washington (Department of Ecology) Jay McConnaughey, Yakama Nation	Rico Cruz, CTUIR (Tues) Joe Bartoszek, FWS Daniel Diedrich, NOAA - via telephone Dan Landeen, Nez Perce Tribe John Carleton, State of Washington (Department of Fish and Wildlife)	Aida Farag, U.S. Geographical Survey - via telephone (Mon) Steve Wisness, YAHS GS (contract support to DOE) Larry Gadbois, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Jean Hays, State of Washington (Department of Ecology) - via telephone (Tues) Brian Barry, Yakama Nation Natalie Swan, Yakama Nation (Mon) Sherrie Duncan, Ridolfi, Inc (contractor to Yakama Nation) - via telephone Ruth Nicholson, Nicholson Facilitation & Associates, LLC (contractor)



Monday, June 20, 2011

Opening

The purpose of this meeting is to identify the project proposals that the Council will develop into statements of work (SOWs) for Fiscal Year 2011 (FY11) funding. Russ MacRae, Council chair, opened the meeting at 12:15 pm.

First Prioritization of Proposals

The group began its work reviewing the list of 55 project concepts, adding two that had been unintentionally left off the list, and identifying those concepts that could be combined. Then, Council members screened the list of proposals using the recommendations from the

Technical Working Groups (TWGs) to identify those proposals that were identified for FY11 funding. At the end of this discussion, the list of project proposals had been pared down to 32 concepts. Each project proposal was associated with a number to help track individual projects through the meeting discussions.

The group used a multi-vote technique to get an initial sense of the group as to the relative priority of the remaining 32 proposals. Each trustee organization was given six (6) votes to cast for its top six (6) priority projects using its own individual organizational values, concerns, and criteria. The results of the multi-vote exercise are:

5 Votes	4 Votes	3 Votes	2 Votes	1 Vote	0 Votes
#43 - Mussel	#11 - Geospatial characterization & analysis	#5 & #6 - PED	#1 Biota contamination report	#18 ChromSteel	#3 - Land use change
	#25 - Transfer DOE's NRDA info to Trustees	#7 - Baseline conditions	#16 - Chinook salmon	#20 - GW upwelling	#4 - Tribal services
		#10 & #44 - Lamprey	#23 - Characterize upwelling plumes	#22 - Alt. Methods to sample upwelling	#17 - Chinook health (combined)
		#13 & #21 - Historic data - chromium & other COCs	#27 - PNNL data acquisition (related to #25)	#27 - PNNL data acquisition	#29 - WQ exceedence review
		#53 - GW plume maps & volume	#30 - Sturgeon eco-tox literature review	#34 - Water quality	#37 - Mapping ecosystems via remote sensing
			#31 - Data acquisition support (related to #25)	#35 - Terrestrial GIS	#39 - Mussel
			#32 - PNNL risk assessment (related to #25)	#55 - GIS Support for S&P TWG	#52 - Hanford Reach land use change
					#54 - Data evaluation & visualization

Budget and Contracting Update

DOE clarified that the current support service moratorium only applies to FWS and the Phase II contractor, IEC. The FY11 funding that is available for studies is \$1.778 million because the final trustee budgets came in slightly higher than expected.

Second Prioritization of Proposals

The group then discussed the project proposals as they compared with the multi-voting exercise. Three proposals were deferred from consideration for FY11 funding as a result of this discussion:

- #3 - Land use change
- #4 - Tribal services
- #52 - Hanford Reach land use change.

The Council concluded the day's work with a discussion of possible criteria to use the next day in further prioritizing project proposals for FY11 funding. The meeting concluded at 5:00 pm.

Tuesday, June 21, 2011

Russ opened the meeting at 8:15 am.

Third Prioritization of Proposals

The group agreed on six (6) criteria to use in evaluating the remaining 19 proposals. The Yakama Nation was concerned about using the criteria on all the proposals. The criteria were:

1. Can we get the data? (High = Easy, Med, Low = No/Hard) This criterion was related to whether or not the data was available or easy to acquire.
2. Does it help us assess injury? (High = Yes, Med, Low = No/Little)
3. Can we get funds to contractor? (High = Easy, Med, Low = No/Hard)
4. Is it administratively "doable"? (High = Easy, Med, Low = Hard) This criterion was related to the issue of obligating vs. spending FY11 funds, studies that could get underway sooner than later, and minimizing administrative overhead.
5. What is the project cost/benefit? (High = big band for \$, Med, Low = Low return)
6. Timeliness: If we waited a year, would it matter? (High = Need it ASAP, Med, Low = No rush) This criterion was related to items that might be steps in an important chain of work.

Each trustee organization then ranked each of the remaining 19 project proposals against the six criteria. The results were compiled and the top project proposals were identified:

- #1 - Biota contamination report
- #5 & #6 - PED
- #13 - Historic data
- #23 - Characterize upwelling plumes
- #25, #27, & #31 - Data acquisition
- #29 - WQ exceedence review
- #30 - Sturgeon eco-tox literature review

- #39 - Native mussel habitat
- #43 - Mussel studies
- #53 - GW plume maps

Study #29 - WQ exceedence review was deferred from consideration for FY11 funding, and study #30 - Sturgeon eco-tox literature review was transferred to FWS.

The group agreed to stay beyond the originally-schedule 12:00 noon end time to complete assignments for the remaining studies. The remaining studies were assigned leads to develop SOWs as follows:

- #1 - Biota contamination report - Dan Landeen
- #5 & #6 - PED - Jay McConnaughey
- #13 - Historic data - DOE
- #23 - Characterize upwelling plumes - Paul Shaffer
- #25, #27, & #31 - Data acquisition - DOE, Jack Bell, and Charlene Andrade
- #39 - Native mussel habitat - Joe Bartoszek
- #43 - Mussel studies - Joe Bartoszek
- #53 - GW plume maps - Dale Engstrom

In addition, Study #44 - Lamprey was identified as a possible back-up proposal in the event one of the other SOWs could not move forward.

The Council agreed to the following schedule for SOW development:

- June 28: First drafts or outlines of SOWs due
- June 30: Council conference call to discuss first drafts of SOWs from 9:00 am - 12:00 noon
- July 8: Final drafts of SOWs due
- July 12: Council conference call to finalize SOWs from 1:00 - 4:00 pm

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 pm.