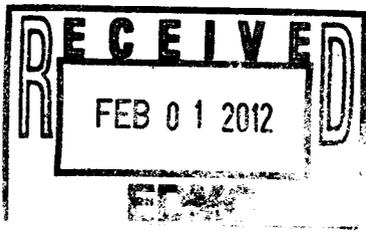


**Hanford Natural Resource Trustee Council
Special Budget Meeting**

Tuesday, February 8, 2011, 1:00 - 5:00 pm
Federal Building, Richland, Washington

DRAFT MEETING SUMMARY, v2 - FINAL

Meeting Participants:

Primary Trustees	Alternate Trustees	Others
Barbara Harper, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR) - via telephone	Janis Ward, DOE	Steve Wisness, YAHS GS (contract support to DOE)
Dana Ward, U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)	Joe Bartoszek, FWS	Brian Barry, Yakama Nation - via telephone
Russ MacRae, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)	John Carleton, State of Washington (Department of Fish and Wildlife)	Michael Calac, Yakama Nation
Charlene Andrade, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)		Sherrie Duncan, Ridolfi, Inc (contractor to Yakama Nation) - via telephone
Jack Bell, Nez Perce Tribe		Ruth Nicholson, Nicholson Facilitation & Associates, LLC (contractor)
Paul Shaffer, State of Oregon		
Larry Goldstein, State of Washington (Department of Ecology)		
Jay McConnaughey, Yakama Nation		

Work on FY2013 Budget Request for the Hanford Natural Resource Trustee Council

The purpose of this meeting was to work on developing the Council budget request for Fiscal Year 2013 (FY2013). Russ MacRae, chair of the Hanford Natural Resource Trustee Council (Council), opened the meeting and distributed the budget information compiled to date. The Council had not yet received participation budget numbers from the Yakama Nation. In light of this gap, the Council agreed to work on studies and their related budgets for FY2013.

Studies

The group discussed the effort needed to kick off a study and get it underway. Concerns were raised regarding the capacity of the Council to manage as many as 3-8 studies as well as the Council's history of slow decision making. Some believe that the process is the limiting factor on how many studies can be undertaken in FY2013.

The group discussed 12 possible studies that could be undertaken in FY2013 and ranked their priority as High, Medium, or Low:

1. Baseline characterization - Field Sampling: HIGH
2. Contaminant Upwelling in the Columbia River: HIGH
3. Sturgeon and other fish population dynamics and habitat association with contaminant upwelling areas: HIGH-MED
4. Tribal Services (literature review): HIGH-MED
5. Mussel contaminant sensitivities (laboratory): HIGH-MED
6. Mussel and native fish effects from Hanford Contaminants (field): HIGH-MED
7. Preliminary estimate of Damaged (PED): MED
8. Effects of Hanford Site Contaminants on Older White Sturgeon (field study): MED
9. Effects of Chromium on Different Life-stages of Steelhead trout (laboratory): MED-LOW
10. Effects of Chromium on Different Life-stages of Steelhead trout and a Resident Fish (field/lab study): MED-LOW
11. Effects of Chromium on Avoidance Behavior of Steelhead trout (lab studies): MED-LOW
12. Presence/Absence of Lamprey in the Hanford Reach (field study): LOW-MED

In addition, the group considered the potential costs of these studies using information from FWS, the Yakama Nation, and the State of Oregon.

In preparation for the Council conference call on February 23rd, Council members agreed to provide additional budget numbers and estimates to Russ MacRae so he could update the budget spreadsheet and share it with the group prior to the call.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.