

**TLG CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY**  
**October 13, 2005**

**Participants:**

Phillip Cernera (Chair)  
Paul Woods  
Rob Spafford  
Rog Hardy  
Bill Adams  
Nick Zilka  
Anne Dailey

Lloyd Brewer  
Randy Connolly  
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 Items:** 2006 Draft One-Year Work Plan

Before beginning the discussion on the work plan, Phillip Cernera indicated that he received an email from IDEQ about alternate designs for the Mica Creek project. Terragraphics has come up with four alternates with the least expensive costing \$1.3 million. Cernera said that he would get a copy of the report to review and then it could be brought up for discussion at the next TLG meeting.

Cernera mentioned that he presented the 2006 draft work plan to the CCC at their meeting last night and commented that it was one of the most productive meetings he has attended of the CCC. He said that the two main issues discussed were human health and the ICP. In regards to the ICP language (section 1.3.1), the plan for the Basin ICP would be to expand what was done in the Box. He indicated that the CCC feels that it will require a year to develop the ICP and that the details should not be put in now. The players are identified as the IDEQ, EPA, PHD, and “other stakeholder” involvement. Cernera also indicated that the need for an ICP PFT was identified, but this work may fall under the Human Health PFT. He suggested that once the ICP is developed, it should be approved by the Basin Commission before it goes to rulemaking in the Idaho Legislature.

In regards to blood lead screening, Cernera said that it was suggested that the Human Health PFT be part of the process. Other changes included: Page 13, leaving in the first two paragraphs and deleting the third and fourth paragraphs. On the LMP, he indicated that there were no points changed at this time.

Cernera mentioned that he would be meeting with Terry Harwood and John Snider next Monday, October 17 to discuss revisions. Then he will email out a revised draft by noon on Wednesday, October 19 in order to discuss final edits on the TLG conference call on Thursday, October 20. Cernera reminded everyone that Thursday, October 27 is the final deadline for the 2006 work plan.

Lloyd Brewer mentioned that he would like to make a few points. First, he inquired about how far ahead the property cleanups are in regards to testing and what conditions may change before cleanup action may be taken if the property is contaminated. He indicated that the point he wanted to make was whether there is documentation for the property owner that cleanup funding will be used on their property in the future. Second, whether the data still has validity if it takes a while before the cleanup occurs. Brewer then brought up blood lead screening and said there is a potential desire to do this, but there is no funding available. He suggested that it be aired through the public process so that it does not lose the understanding of the public; and that there may be people who have funding sources.

Rob Spafford suggested that in regards to Brewer's comments about the yard program, it may help to do more public outreach as some people are not aware of everything. He mentioned that Mark Stromberg of IDEQ could answer Brewer's other questions. Cernera said that language could be added to this section if needed.

### **Round Table:**

**Woods:** Nothing to report.

**Adams:** Reported that construction work at the Constitution will not start until next summer. In the meantime, the Army Corps of Engineers will be doing some tree and stump removal later this month depending upon the weather. For the Golconda and Rex, work will start in the next two weeks to fill design data. Adams also mentioned that work is currently underway at the central treatment plant (CTP).

**Hardy:** Mentioned that in regards to his comments last week about the zoning request in Harrison for a development proposal, Planning & Zoning did not approve it. However, the decision may still be appealed. Hardy then reported on Carney Pole cleanup and that the comment period on the preferred alternative is closed. He indicated that there is a group of three PRP's with technical backing who did not feel that some of the actions for the preferred alternative were warranted.

**Cernera:** Responded to Hardy's comment about the three PRP's and said that he had received a letter signed by the three parties who had jointly hired Arcadis to go through a RI/FS like process for the preferred alternative. However, because the PRP's did not like the proposed alternative, Arcadis is developing a new plan. Cernera said that from his perspective, he has no problem exploring a new proposal and would like to ask the contractor questions about it. He indicated that part of the preferred alternative included a steel wall to contain migration of DNAPL from the groundwater and soil, but Arcadis did not want to do this. Other alternatives include: 1) cap; 2) excavate material; and 3) do nothing and monitor. Cernera believes that everyone is in agreement that the banks along the river should be excavated.

**Hardy:** Commented on the fundraising PFT and mentioned that there were only 8-9 people on the conference call. He believes that it would be helpful for more people to become involved. Hardy then brought up a recreational survey for St. Maries and said that it is interesting reading. He inquired if there was a map of the recreational areas. Dailey responded that there is an

inventory of recreational areas with ownership of those properties. Hardy indicated that he would like to see a more global look and that there may be a part that Kootenai County could play in regards to mapping and GIS.

**Zilka:** Nothing to report.

**Dailey:** Indicated that she would be emailing information for the next recreational PFT meeting.

**Brewer:** Reported that there will be a WCAC meeting on November 16. He also pointed out that there will be a speaker to discuss human health in regards to recreation on the Spokane River from below the bridge at Monroe Street to the City of Liberty Lake including their perspective on cleanup issues. He said that there are a number of treatment plans being developed and suggested that data collected may be of use to the water treatment PFT as Spokane is working on identifying methods for optimal removal of phosphorus in the TMDL process for Washington.

**Connolly:** Mentioned that the Spokane Tribe is ready to prepare sediment and fishery data for sampling on the lower Spokane River.

**Hardy:** Inquired if the EPA five-year review was final. Dailey responded that she is working on the final compilation of edits and the final report should be out November 18. Hardy also mentioned that there is a Bureau of Indian Affairs open house in Plummer on October 19 for the Integrated Resource Management Plan (IRMP) for the Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (DPEIS). He remarked that it was interesting reading.

**Brewer:** Indicated that he would be very interested in helping to get support for funding requests and legislative action in regards to the funding PFT and would like to receive feedback.

**Schedule:** The next TLG conference call will be scheduled 10/20/05.

Thank you for your participation.