

**FOR THE RECORD:** *There were two TLG calls as some members called in on a different line. Participants on the second call were: Kenny Hicks, Dave George, Ed Moreen.*

## **TLG CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY** **November 13, 2008**

Rebecca Stevens (Vice Chair)  
Anne Dailey  
Glen Rothrock  
Randy Connolly

Rog Hardy  
Nick Zilka  
Terry Harwood  
Carrie Holtan (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.

Rebecca Stevens, Vice Chair, led the call.

**Agenda Items:** None.

### **Roundtable:**

**Anne Dailey:** Data is incoming from summer field work, with a more detailed report to follow at the ROD Amendment Workshop in January, 2009. December's EPA workshop (regarding Bill Adams' eco-prioritization work) will be held at the Silver Mountain Resort in Kellogg on Thursday, December 4<sup>th</sup> with an agenda to be forwarded by Bill Adams shortly. Upper Basin workshop locations tba (to be announced), with thanks to Jeri DeLange for assistance on scheduling. Dailey will not attend the BEIPC meeting on November 19<sup>th</sup>, but Bill Adams will be there to give his eco-prioritization presentation (provided at the October 14 TLG meeting).

**Rebecca Stevens:** Stevens recommended the Silver Valley Community Center in Smelterville as a possible venue location.

**Glen Rothrock:** Rothrock reported that he has been appointed as a TLG rep. for IDEQ to provide LMP updates. It is hoped that the Tribe and IDEQ's Response to Comment Package will be done and released to the public soon. IDEQ will meet on 12/9/08 with the County Commissioners to continue working on the LMP Response to Comment package process. Rothrock would like to be a member of the Lower Basin PFT, and Stevens encouraged Rothrock to consider other applicable PFTs as well. The Mica Creek restoration project is complete, and a recent tour was held and well-received by local property-owners and interested parties. Bob Flagor (Kootenai-Shoshone Soil and Water Conservation District) would like to make a presentation about the project at the February BEIPC meeting.

**Terry Harwood:** Harwood indicated he foresaw a final report presentation as well as a video showing regarding the Mica Creek project at the BEIPC meeting.

**Rebecca Stevens:** Stevens inquired whether the Mica Creek Clean Water Act project will be presented to the TLG before the Basin Commission meeting. Dailey agreed that a presentation before the TLG would be of general interest. Harwood said that the next TLG Meeting will likely be toward the end of January, and Stevens encouraged Harwood and/or Rothrock to

contact Bob Flagor to present the Mica Creek project to the TLG; and having Bob Flagor bring seven (7) copies of the video CDs to set aside for the BEIPC Commissioners.

**Nick Zilka:** Zilka reported that the Pinehurst Project is almost done, except for a few punch list items which he will monitor closely to ensure full and final completion. Zilka anticipates full project close-out by snow season, but some items may need to be wrapped up in spring of 2009 when the landscape dries out a bit.

**Terry Harwood:** Harwood discussed minority report positions on the amended BEIPC Meeting Guidelines and Work Plan items. Rusty Shephard will present a minority report at the BEIPC meeting, and copies of the minority reports will be available at the meeting. Kootenai County's minority report on the Work Plan items is small, but the proposed changes will have a substantial impact. The Commissioners will likely need to vote on this change. Harwood provided the following summary of his past and upcoming meetings:

- Upcoming meeting with local officials regarding Hazard Mitigation Program preparation.
- Upcoming meeting with consultants on the list of projects for Infrastructure Revitalization Plan (aiming for final published document by April, 2009).
- Upcoming presentation regarding Mica Creek project.
- Recent meeting with Department of Homeland Security regarding LIDAR flight from Basin to headwaters and finding funding for it
- Recent meetings with Kootenai, Shoshone, Benewah County Commissioners and Andy Mork (IDEQ) regarding new repository siting.
- Recent meeting with Bonnie Douglas and Brian Walker to go through Communications PFT suggestions (and Harwood's ideas) about updating and improving the BEIPC Web page.

Harwood concluded by asking TLG members: (1) for questions about upcoming items, which he reviewed briefly; (2) to review upcoming web changes, once he makes them.

**Rebecca Stevens:** Stevens reported for Mark Masarik that the Recreation PFT will likely be meeting following the holiday season.

**Rog Hardy:** Hardy does not have anything to share, since he has not received responses by e-mail. Dailey indicated that Ed Moreen will be setting up a meeting after the holidays, and Stevens indicated the Lower Basin PFT will also be meeting after the holidays. Hardy requested information now, before meetings, and specifically in e-mail form, refusing Dailey's verbal update. Stevens indicated that the NRDA Trustees are working on response to Hardy. Hardy wanted e-mail confirmation from both EPA and NRDA Trustees on his recent inquiries. Hardy noted that St. Maries community does not have adequate communication or understanding about projects and issues that are forthcoming on various issues.

**Randy Connolly:** Connolly had nothing to share at this time.

**Rebecca Stevens:** Stevens reported that the Communications PFT-sponsored EPA Community Involvement Training on November 20, 2008 is full, but a second workshop is being planned. Interested parties are encouraged to sign up on the existing waiting list to be included on the next workshop. Hardy expressed that this workshop would be the same rehash of issues at a previous

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Chamber of Commerce workshop. Stevens encouraged staying positive, and looks forward to hearing about the class outcome.

**Terry Harwood:** Harwood emphasized that parking at the Community Involvement Training facility is tight, and encourages everyone to park in the lot where the flag pole is (on the east side of the facility).

**NOTE:** After the TLG call, Rebecca Stevens was informed that the TLG Chair and two TLG members had called in on another conference line. Please note the following call number schedule provided by Anne Dailey, by e-mail dated Thursday, October 9, 2008:

11/27 Thanksgiving - eat turkey!

12/11 206-553-4557

12/25 Christmas - open presents & drink eggnog!

1/8 206-553-4602

1/22 206-553-4602

2/5 206-553-4602

2/19 206-553-4602

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