

TLG CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY
February 4, 2010

Rebecca Stevens (Chair)
Anne Dailey
Bill Adams
Brian Spears

Kenny Hicks (Vice-Chair)
Terry Harwood
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: Schedule tentative date for next TLG meeting and upcoming TLG election of officers.

The TLG Chair, Rebecca Stevens, informed everyone that she needed to leave the call early due to another commitment and that Kenny Hicks would lead the call. She asked everyone to check their availability for a tentative date of April 8 for the next TLG meeting. (*Note: She left the call at 8:08 a.m.*)

Round Table:

Anne Dailey - Provided an update on the Focused Feasibility Study (FFS). The executive summary of the draft FFS has been posted on EPA's website and people should receive CD copies in the next few days. A link will also be posted on the BEIPC website for people to access the information.

Terry Harwood - Mentioned that the next BEIPC meeting will be on May 19, so he will need the board packet information by April 30.

Anne Dailey - Indicated that the next Upper Basin PFT meeting will be in Wallace on February 10. There will also be a technical workshop on February 24 in the Shoshone Room at Silver Mountain. They are asking for comments on the draft FFS by February 19.

Kenny Hicks - Asked about alternatives not included in the FFS. Dailey answered that some of the alternatives fell out early if there was no expectation that they would achieve water quality standards.

TLG Discussion - TLG members discussed various alternatives in the FFS for OU-2 phase actions, changes to water quality treatment approaches, source removal at adits, etc., in Woodland Park and Canyon Creek. Hicks also inquired about preservation of historic markers. Bill Adams responded that the EPA and State will work around markers related to historical preservation issues.

Anne Dailey - Expressed appreciation for people making time for the ROD amendment process as it's important for the Silver Valley's future.

Bill Adams - Said that they are moving forward on the Basin Environmental Monitoring Plan

(BEMP) to do additional sampling in the Lower Basin, as well as spring runoff. There is a new USGS gage near Wallace and details will be provided later.

Brian Spears - Nothing to report.

Terry Harwood - Reported that he has been working with FEMA and the Silver Jackets about flooding issues. The Silver Jackets deal with flooding issues in the State and they seem interested about the BEIPC involvement with flood control issues in the Basin.

Harwood noted that the February 17 BEIPC meeting will be in Wallace. There will also be a Repository PFT meeting in CDA the day before. He brought up the potential expansion of the Big Creek repository and said that Andy Mork (IDEQ) will provide an update at the BEIPC meeting.

TLG Discussion - TLG members discussed repositories and the Upper Basin site selection process regarding the two potential sites at Osburn and Star tailings ponds and issues regarding land management, road access, etc.

Jeri DeLange - Gave an update on the Communications PFT. The next PFT meeting will be on March 4.

Randy Connolly - Nothing to report.

Schedule: The next TLG meeting conference call is scheduled for 3/4/10.

Thank you for your participation.