

**TLG CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY**  
**December 6, 2012**

Rebecca Stevens (Chair)  
Bill Adams  
Dave George  
Terry Harwood

Randy Connolly  
Rusty Sheppard  
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:** Discuss date for next TLG meeting and possible agenda items.

**Round Table:**

**Dave George** - Commented on the good information presented at yesterday's Lower Basin PFT meeting. Rebecca Stevens added that it's good data for the model.

**Randy Connolly** - Gave an update on the Midnite Mines Superfund cleanup. There have been a series of public meetings around Spokane and the Tribal reservation on the 30% design document. Public comments on the 30% design are due by December 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Dave George** - Nothing to report.

**Bill Adams** - Suggested that scheduling the TLG meeting on the same day as the CCC meeting may be better for the folks coming from Boise.

**Jeri DeLange** - Informed everyone that the next Basin Commission meeting will be on February 20<sup>th</sup> at CenterPlace in the Spokane Valley.

**Terry Harwood** - Provided updates on the following: 1) Comments on the draft BEIPC annual accomplishment report are due on December 21<sup>st</sup>. 2) He has been talking with Ellen Berggren of the Corps of Engineers (COE) and the Idaho Silver Jackets about dealing with potential flooding problems and levee management in the Upper Basin. The next Silver Jackets meeting is scheduled the day after the BEIPC meeting on February 21<sup>st</sup> so people may consolidate travel. 3) For the gravel roads program, all five segments of Woodland Park have been designed. 4) He and Ed Moreen are reviewing the sampling results for gravel roads in the Lower Basin and comparing them with CH2M Hill sampling. 5) For remedy protection projects, the State of Idaho will use a public works contracting process. He wrote the contract specifications for the request for proposals. The government will be protected by requiring a public works performance bond and bid bond. He wants to have the gravel roads program bid this way as well. 6) Harwood is working with Anne McCauley (EPA) on environmental covenants for the Mullan remedy protection projects. 7) The three individual meetings with local road jurisdictions in November regarding the paved roads program went well. The rest of the meetings are scheduled in December.

**Rusty Sheppard** - Nothing to report.

**Bill Adams** - Mentioned that today is the deadline for comments on the draft Superfund Cleanup Implementation Plan (SCIP). He indicated that this date was not set “hard-and-fast”. He talked to Harwood about it and said that if people want to provide comments in the next few days, EPA will accept them as they have only received three letters so far. They will be updating the SCIP on an annual basis. EPA is working with the Trust on the work plan for next year. They are also working on a mechanism for funding the road work (i.e. transfers). The 60% design is done for the Waste Consolidation Area (WCA) in Ninemile and the 90% design may be completed by January. Adams is hoping to get a bid for next year’s field work and commented that next year will be a busy season.

**Rebecca Stevens** - Gave an update on the Lower Basin PFT meeting. There was a good turnout with 27 people. She is working with Ed Moreen on the meeting notes and to also provide people with CD copies of the information presented. The notes will be shared with the Community Involvement Coordinators (CICs) to assist them if they want to create a bulleted list of items that were discussed and share them with the Lower Basin Collaborative (LBC). The Lower Basin PFT meeting was also scheduled to have the Conservation District provide an update on the Coeur d’Alene River bank stabilization project. However, this was postponed as the discussion ran long. Stevens announced that the Coeur d’Alene Tribe has hired a new Communications Specialist, Caj Matheson who will be working with the Natural Resource Trustees.

**TLG Discussion:** TLG members discussed setting the next TLG meeting on January 16<sup>th</sup> (the same date as the CCC meeting) or a different date. It was agreed to schedule it on January 16<sup>th</sup>, but to schedule the April TLG meeting on a different date than the CCC. Stevens will send the TLG an email asking for agenda items.

**Schedule:** The next TLG call will be 1/3/13.