

**TLG CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY**  
**February 28, 2003**

Participants:

Phillip Cernera  
Shallan Dawson  
Ray Tasaro  
Frank Frutchy  
Kathy Johnson  
Lloyd Brewer  
John Roland

Bill Rust  
Roger Hardy  
Mike Schlepp  
David Fortier  
Jim Hansen  
Randy Connelly  
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This summary provides the salient issues recorded by Callie Ridolfi. These notes are intended to capture key topics, conclusions, and next steps and not the nuances of the discussion.

Potential Agenda topics were suggested by the Chair. These included: a) recap of 2/26 Basin Commission meeting, b) upcoming years work, c) five-year plan strawman, d) stream-stabilization PFT, and e) refinement of matrix for evaluating projects.

Commission Feb. 26 meeting:

Basin commission gave direction of the first year plan at the meeting.  
Other than the stream stabilization proposal, the work plan was adopted.  
The PFT for stream stabilization will need to meet again to formulate plan for year one.  
Minutes of the meeting will be available soon and may provide better clarity on direction.

Stream Stabilization PFT:

Discussion of getting technical advise by specialists to address the key issues.  
Issues include monitoring, wedge removal, types of planting, river bed movement, hydraulics, how to measure effects of bank stabilization, modeling work.

Clean Water Act funds will be available very soon, so inventory work could get started while river level is low to obtain assessment information. Inventory may be contracted out, it was suggested that the PFT members look over the proposal that the soil conservation district prepared as a start for discussion on inventory work.

Next stream stabilization PFT meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at the Coeur d' Alene Tribe office in Coeur d' Alene.

Action Items:

Next TLG meeting date has not been set yet, Phillip is reviewing peoples availability information.  
Suggestion that a draft agenda for meeting be developed by Phillip and Kathy.

Five Year Plan:

Discussion of strawman for five-year plan, time to use the overall prioritization scheme and matrix tool evaluation to develop the plan. Also possibly could use some of the tools that were developed

during ROD development, such as spreadsheet to allocate and track costs, schematics, and bar chart schedule.

Group needs to consider how the five year plan will fit into the larger picture with the other work in the basin, such as CTP ROD, non-populated area box ROD, AOC on Gem Mine, and the UPRR consent decree.

Reminder that next Thursday's TLG call will be followed at 9:00 am by an initial conference call to discuss the basin-wide environmental monitoring.

Round Table Discussion:

Ray Tasoro:

Suggested information exchange with agencies doing stream-side rehabilitation work with bio-engineering focus in Montana, including MSU and DEQ. Ray will make contacts, collect some information, and facilitate meeting.

Frank Frutchey:

Good idea to follow-up on Montana projects. Last year, EPA Region 8 suggested a co-tour.

John Snieder:

Seconded the idea of getting together with the folks working on the Montana projects. John was officially appointed to serve on the TLG yesterday.

Lloyd Brewer:

It would be helpful to have a master list with the PFT meeting times and call-in numbers. Concerned about the way the voting at the meeting was done using point system,

Bill Rust:

Seconded Lloyd's concern regarding the voting, suggested coming up with another way to conduct voting for or against projects.

Roger Hardy:

The Tribe is having a meeting at the Casino about Lake Management, suggested people attend.

David Fortier:

BLM working with Uof I and has list of types of riparian techniques that it developed to use as a guide in working on an overall plan for Pine Creek. They are keeping the water treatment system going, some hydrologic challenges and flow from the mines.

Next Call

March 6, 2003 at 8:00 AM PST. The call in number is (206)-553-4557. No pass code. Paul Woods is scheduled to take notes. The Chair will solicit note-taking support for March.