

**TLG CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY**  
**December 02, 2004**

Participants:

Bill Adams  
Phillip Cernera  
Randy Connolly  
Anne Dailey

David Fortier  
Dave George  
Rob Spafford  
Dave Sternberg

Rebecca Stevens  
Mark Stromberg  
Paul Woods  
Nick Zilka

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:**

The Chair, Phillip Cernera, suggested tentative topics to discuss during today's call: 1) mine and mill site meeting, 2) start up of work for next year with new Clean Water Act (CWA) funds, 3) getting the ½ million dollars remaining from the CWA funds dealt with, 4) workshop for Basin Commissioners and 5) memo from the State of Washington.

The first discussion was about the process for obtaining and dispensing the current CWA funds. Cernera suggests getting a proposal to EPA for their review, and if approved, write subgrant agreements between the State of Idaho and the Tribe. He gave a reminder to all that agreements need to be in place and the grant awarded prior to doing any work that will be reimbursed. There was discussion about the Basin Commissioner's deliberation over the CWA funds at the last Basin Commission Meeting.

The workshop for Commissioners was discussed. The next Board meeting is not until February and the Commission can not meet in December so the best time to schedule a workshop is January. Topics were suggested: 1) review of legislation which created the Commission and their mission statement, 2) TLG protocols, 3) CCC protocols, 4) the ROD, 5) definition of the scopes for Superfund and CWA monies, 6) the 5-year Plan, and 7) what decision making powers does the Basin Commission have?

Anne Dailey suggested using the November 2002 workbook that EPA developed when they first presented the ROD to the public and to include updates from various groups (TLG, PFT, and CCC). She further suggested the workshop be held the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of January, the 19<sup>th</sup> or 20<sup>th</sup>.

It was discussed that perhaps the Commissioners could vote on the how to spend the remaining \$1/2 million for CWA, prior to the workshop in January. Projects agreed upon by the TLG that will be presented are the Lake Management Plan Audit for \$200K and the River Model for \$135K. Paul Woods said that the lake monitoring is ending next year, the end of 2006. Also, the Commissioners had indicated that they would like to have some way to deal with unexpected budget overruns and other costs.

**Round Table:**

Anne Dailey: She is working on the EPA 5-year review and she continues to review the STORET data. Recreation site design in Washington has also started. John Roland and Ravi Sanga are the contacts for this work.

Nick Zilka: He said that the bank stabilization project started last week, then the Coeur d'Alene River came up (flows increased), which postponed the work. The earthwork resumes today and the pile driving on the other side of the river is underway.

Paul Woods: He said that the open lake and near shore sampling is ongoing.

Mark Stromberg: He is working on the 5-year review. The new Executive Director, Terry Harwood, starts on Monday and he is busy preparing an office for him. The 2004 yard program is almost completed with 208 yards completed. They are 320 properties above their goal. He is getting ready for next year's yard work.

David Fortier: He is wrapping up monitoring. Results will be in a thesis that will be completed soon.

Dave Sternberg: PCB work on the Upriver Dam is ongoing.

Randy Connolly: The fish sampling is done and they are waiting for the analysis.

Bill Adams: URS and the lab are wrapping up tests of CC ground water and Parametrix has completed the field sampling at the mine sites.

**Schedule:**

TLG meetings are scheduled for the entire month of December.

Thank you for your participation.