

TLG CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY
July 29, 2004

Participants:

Randy Connolly
Bill Adams
Rob Spafford
Rusty Sheppard

Bill Rust
Bill Kirchner
Ed Moreen
Nick Zilka

Mark Stromberg
Rob Hanson

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:

Draft 5-Year Plan

There was discussion as to whether the 5-Year Plan should address work in the North Fork of the Coeur d'Alene River. The group's consensus was that it should.

PFT Activities with respect to CWA Proposals

PFTs should be reviewing proposals for redundancies, inconsistencies, and opportunities to combine and improve them. Proposals were grouped and assigned to various PFTs by core staff at the July 22 TLG meeting. Discussion resulted in re-grouping and reassigning the proposals, and tentatively scheduling PFT meetings as follows:

August 17 or 18

Lake Management and
Monitoring PFTs:

Proposals #1, 7, 9, 12, 13, 17, and 23

Lower Basin Forum and
Stream Bank PFTs:

Proposals #8 and 14

August 18 or 17

Water Treatment PFT:

Proposals #3, 4, 6, 10, 11, 18, 19, 20, and 21.

Mine and Mill Site and
Infrastructure PFTs:

Proposals #2, 5, 15, 16, and 22

Note: The TLG should discuss whether there is a preference for a specific day for either set of meetings during the August 5 call.

PFTs will discuss the pros and cons of the proposals; consider any possible combinations or changes, and make recommendations to the TLG concerning the proposals. The TLG will decide which proposals it will request the proponents to present formally to the

group. It was suggested that the decision on which proposals to schedule for presentation could be made in a conference call.

Since the Basin Commission meeting could be rescheduled to August 17, it was suggested that the PFT meetings might alternately be held August 18 and 19, if need be.

Contact Person for Each PFT

Spafford agreed to provide an updated list of PFT leads/contact persons. The Infrastructure PFT has not been chartered, and has not been assigned a lead or contact. The group agreed the Chair should formally establish this new PFT in the manner used to establish the others.

Schedule for TLG Meetings August 17 and 18

This agenda item was discussed with the PFT Activities, above. Two day-long meetings are to occur, with the Lake Management and Monitoring PFTs, and the Water Treatment PFT scheduled in the mornings.

Round Table:

Randy Connolly: Nothing.

Bill Adams: Bill will send an email to schedule a Water Treatment PFT meeting, likely August 10 or August 12, to discuss the treatability study results, planning for the next round of sampling, comments on the hydro geologic study, and other issues.

Rob Spafford: Nothing.

Rusty Sheppard: River sampling between the Lake outlet and the Post Falls Dam showed a significant improvement over the previous sampling. Zn <50, phosphorus at 5mg/l, DO at 9, and chlorophyll cut in half from previous results, according to Rusty.

Bill Rust: Nothing.

Bill Kirchner: He is working on preparations for the trial.

Nick Zilka: Formal permitting process for the Bank Stabilization Project begins tomorrow.

Mark Stromberg: Nothing.

Rob Hanson: Rob noted that the formation of an Infrastructure PFT is necessary. The group agreed to refer this to the Chair.

Thank you for your participation.