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## TLG CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY November 6, 2003

### Participants:

Phillip Cernera	Rob Hanson	Luke Russell	Roger Hardy
Sheila Eckman	Randy Connolly	Anne Dailey	John Roland
Jana McCurdy	Mark Addy	Rebecca Stevens	Paul Woods
Rusty Sheppard	Dave Fortier	Ed Morreen	Jim Hansen
Rob Spafford	Bill Adams	Ginny Dietrich	

This summary provides the salient issues recorded by Phillip Cernera. 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 and others. These included; a) presentation of 2004 work plan at the upcoming Commission meeting, and b) upcoming meeting schedule review.

a) Presentation of 2004 work plan; Cernera will provide the Commission with a brief overview of the TLG proposal. Cernera will use the 2004 work plan (Table 1-1) as the basis for his discussion. He along with other core staff will also be meeting with the three county Commissions to provide them with a preview of the 2004 work plan.

### b) Upcoming TLG Activity Schedule:

- November 12; Basin Commission Meeting
- November 13; Basin Information Forum (BIF), weekly TLG call cancelled on this day
- November 14; Lower Basin Forum (cancelled and will be rescheduled).
- November 20; Weekly TLG call at 8am
- November 27; weekly TLG call cancelled (Happy Thanksgiving!)
- December 4; weekly TLG call
- December 9; Repository PFT meeting
- December 11; weekly TLG call
- December 15; CWA proposals due to TLG Chair
- January 28; Riparian Ecology Restoration Workshop

c) Lower Basin Forum; The meeting has been cancelled. It will be rescheduled once EPA contractors have gathered information on the lower basin and have developed a strawman on how the group may move forward with addressing the issues yet resolved.

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Paul Believed the group should focus on several key topics including; in channel, avista work, over-bank flooding, and transport. Roger suggested that EPA's contractors should provide the group with GIS coverages of all lower basin data. Roger will develop a draft list of data he believes will be necessary for the group's discussions. This draft will be sent to the TLG for comment.

Cernera suggested that the contractors compile the following; past study data, information concerning ongoing and proposed work, and questions previously developed by the lower river PFT. EPA hopes this information can be developed by the end of December 2003.

## Round Table

Paul Woods; Water sampling for both the BEMP and Lake Study has started. The first of the nutrient data is back. Data indicates an increase in nutrient loads in the Elizabeth to Pinehurst reach of the river. Nutrient loads were also elevated in the St. Joe River downstream of Calder. The St. Joe nutrient discharge into the Lake was three times that of the CDA River. Sampling will continue this winter.

Roger asked how a hard freeze (much like what we are experiencing) effects runoff conditions. Paul said that this could create conditions of rapid discharge if there were to be a storm event. Paul also said that the worst case would be that there is a thaw followed by heavy rains.

John asked if Page sewer treatment plant monitor nutrients as part of their discharge permit. Paul thought not. John believes this data gap needs to be filled.

Jana; Anne Dattlebach sent out the ACOE permit comments out to the CCC. ACOE has yet to post these comments. Roger urged the ACOE to post the comments.

Nick Zilka; Nick provided an update on stream stabilization work recently completed by the State of Idaho. This work took place in the box along 200 feet of stream banks along the South Fork CDA River.

Mark Addy; Anne Dailey and Mark are working on logistics for the stream riparian workshop planned for January 28, 2003. Usually this a two day workshop presented by Chris Haug, however, this will be a one day presentation (8am to 4:30pm).

Bill Adams; A remedial design meeting on the Constitution site was held between EPA and BLM. Information discussed will now be provided to the mine site PFT.

The next TLG call is on November 18, 2003 at 8am. The call in number is (206)-553-4557.

Thank you for your participation.