## TLG CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY May 28, 2009

Rebecca Stevens (Chair) Anne Dailey Kenny Hicks (Vice Chair) Dave George Bill Adams Sandi Raskell 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 Items:** None

The TLG Chair, Rebecca Stevens, mentioned there was a good turnout at the Lower Basin PFT meeting yesterday before leading the group into a round table discussion.

## **Round Table:**

Anne Dailey - Said the BEMP sampling started last week as well as the OU-2 surface and groundwater sampling. The ROD amendment is moving along schedule. There will be an Upper Basin PFT meeting either June 30 or July 1. Bill Adams will send an email to PFT members to confirm the date. It will be an all day meeting on prioritization. Stevens inquired how the Natural Resource Trustees could help. Dailey said they could provide input for the prioritization tool and that Adams will speak about the sections for review later. Stevens suggested that she could direct the Natural Resource Trustees to EPA's web page, so they can review the current information and be up-to-date. Dailey feels the Trustee's input and participation will be important at the next meeting, and suggested that Stevens call them and they will be glad to help.

**Rebecca Stevens** - Mentioned the Coeur d'Alene Basin NRDA Trustees and their consultants will be doing fish sampling in the Upper Basin in September 2009.

**Anne Dailey** - Indicated the only sampling they will be conducting this fall will be for the BEMP on low flow and groundwater. They do not anticipate doing any sampling for the Bunker Creek pilot project again. She noted that they did lots of sampling last year, but does not think they will do all of it this year. The low flow and groundwater sampling will probably be done in early October.

**Bill Adams** – Reported the mine and mill sampling for RA (remedial action) effectiveness was completed last week. There is a monitoring meeting for the BEMP coming up on June 9. Regarding prioritization setting, he will send out strawman locations and frequencies. In the Upper Basin, they are looking at conducting a test on water quality for Ninemile in specific locations to compare data from previous years. This will help the data collection process for what they are seeing and how to measure it. Adams indicated that water quality criteria and the fishery tier will be some of the focus at the June 30 or July 1 meeting. Once all of the issues are identified, then they can propose solutions. He went to the BLM for additional layers for sites

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and will contact David Fortier about this.

**Dave George** - Nothing to report. Mentioned he heard that Mark Stromberg (IDEQ in Kellogg) will be leaving to take a new job in British Columbia, Canada. He commented that Stromberg did a good job with the yard program.

**Kenny Hicks** - Nothing to report at this time.

Jeri DeLange - Looking at scheduling a Communications PFT meeting sometime in mid-July.

**Rebecca Stevens** - Mentioned the meeting for the Blackwell Island proposal (i.e. permit application) is June 4th in the evening at the Coeur d'Alene IDL office. She indicated the Tribe will be putting in comment. The proposal calls for quite a lot of dredging and some of the contaminated sediments will be confined on site. If anyone would like information, let her know and she will forward it. She also brought up that there is a proposed development in Medimont which is in the floodplain. The Tribe will be looking at STORET data for concentration levels.

For the next TLG meeting, Stevens suggested scheduling a meeting for July 22 as the next BEIPC meeting is August 19. She also suggested holding the meeting at the CDA Tribal Casino in Worley and will check into it.

**Schedule:** The next TLG conference call will be scheduled 6/11/09.

Thank you for your participation.