# TLG CONFERENCE CALL SUMMARY February 5, 2004

### Participants:

Bill Rust Jana McCurdy Rusty Sheppard Phillip Cernera Luke Russell Ed Moreen Anne Dailey Dave Suhr Rebecca Stevens Bill Adams Stan Miller Randy Connolly Jeff Johnson John Roland Ginny Dierich Rob Spafford

This summary provides the salient issues recorded by Rob Spafford. These notes are intended to capture key topics, conclusions, and next steps and not the nuances of the discussion.

## **Agenda Items:**

1. Review the proposal to be presented to the Basin Commission next week:

Cernera noted that he put the proposal out the door quickly last week and asked if there were comments. There was discussion about how best to present the recommendation in light of the counties' memo regarding issues. Resolution of the question of how best to present the recommendation is that it should be presented as a recommendation of the specific projects the TLG is proposing, with the realization that the Basin Commission may likely discuss the issues raised in the county representatives' memo before coming to a decision.

Cernera described letters that have been sent or received recently: There is a Lake Shore Property Owners' Association letter to Governor Kempthorne and a letter from Coeur d'Alene Tribe Chairman Stensgar. Rusty Sheppard added that the Spokane River Property Owners' Association has is preparing a letter similar to the one the Lake Shore Property Owners sent. The Lake Property Owners express displeasure with the State and the Tribe over delays in getting work done, and over potential impacts to their interests. Chairman Stensgar's letter describes problems the State and Tribe face in moving forward with the Lake Management Plan, and asks for a response. Cernera said the Tribe has requested a response prior to the Basin Commission meeting next week.

Discussion followed about distributing these letters among the TLG. It was recognized that it is the province of the respective letter writers to distribute their letters, and it was agreed that the TLG members would await distribution of the letters by others. Moreen noted that whether people see these letters will affect their ability to respond.

2. Review the schedule of upcoming meetings: (Note that the Basin Commission Calendar web page lists these meetings. Click on the meeting on that page for time and location.)

Open House with IDEQ Director Allred	February 10
Basin Commission	February 11
Water Treatment PFT	February 12

#### 3. Discuss the pending Lower Basin Forum:

It was noted that the Lower Basin Forum is scheduled for February 17. Both Anne Dailey and Bill Adams from the USEPA are not able to attend that day. Discussion followed about the Forum. Dailey reported that she has charged URS with looking at Lower Basin information. URS is starting from the ROD, looking at activities, and categorizing information. They will identify what information is available in all of the categories. The idea is to post the result on a Basin Commission web page. The information itself will not be posted, but rather where it can be found.

Rust noted that the other half of his memo to the County Commissioners has to do with Lower Basin issues.

Cernera will coordinate with Dailey and others to draft an agenda for the Forum. Questions raised are the following.

- What is the objective for the Lower Basin Forum?
- Where is there agreement? Disagreement?
- Where to go from here?

#### **Round Table:**

Bill Rust: Nothing further.

Phillip Cernera: Nothing further.

<u>Anne Dailey:</u> The Recreation Area PFT conducted a conference call with ITD on the line. The Highway 97 Bridge project is scheduled for 2006. Preliminary plans should be available in the spring. The project will affect the Anderson Lake Boat Launch site.

<u>Bill Adams:</u> Bill reminded the group of the Water Treatment PFT meeting February 12 and confirmed it will run from 8:00 to 12:00. He will send a draft agenda to PFT members today.

<u>Jeff Johnson:</u> Jeff noted the Forest Service comments on the Stream Bank Stabilization memo, and wanted to make sure everyone had an opportunity to see them.

<u>Jana McCurdy:</u> Jana noted the open house with Director Allred on February 10, and invited all to attend. The location is the Kellogg IDEQ office at 1005 W. McKinley.

<u>Luke Russell:</u> Luke noted his office has completed an EE/CA for the Monarch Mine site. It is available for review. Bill Adams requested an electronic copy.

Dave Suhr: Nothing.

<u>Randy Connolly:</u> Randy asked for confirmation of the meeting times for the Water Treatment and Stream Bank Stabilization PFTs. Since the Water Treatment PFT meets at 8:00, the group agreed to cancel the regular TLG call Thursday February 12.

Stan Miller: Nothing.

John Roland: Nothing.

Rusty Sheppard: Nothing.

Rebecca Stevens: Nothing.

Ginny Dierich: Nothing.

Phillip Cernera: Phillip noted he is working to update John Snider on next week's meeting.

Thank you for your participation.