

**Hanford Natural Resource Trustee Council (HNRTC)  
Conference Call**

Monday, December 20, 2010 - 1:00-4:00 pm

**CONFERENCE CALL NOTES - v2 FINAL**

**Meeting Participants:**

Council Trustees	Others
Dan Landeen, Nez Perce Tribe	Callie Ridolfi, Ridolfi Inc., contract support to Yakama Nation
Jack Bell, Nez Perce Tribe	Steve Wisness, YAHS GS, contract support to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE)
Paul Shaffer, State of Oregon	Ruth Nicholson, Nicholson Facilitation & Associates, LLC (contract support to HNRTC)
Rico Cruz, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR)	
Barbara Harper, CTUIR	
Joe Bartoszek, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)	
Russ MacRae, FWS	
Larry Goldstein, State of Washington	
Michael Calac, Yakama Nation	
Jay McConnaughey, Yakama Nation	

**Meeting Notes**

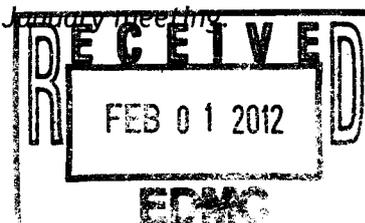
The group was not ready to adopt the draft meeting notes from the November Council meeting. With respect to the November notes, FWS clarified that there is no need for a Council vote on the position description for the Project Coordinator as the senior trustees have already decided that issue. Action on these draft notes will be taken at the January Council meeting.

There was discussion regarding the detail needed in meeting and conference call notes. The HNRTC chair explained that the purpose is to document major decisions and actions.

The facilitator will distribute a copy of the final meeting notes for September to the group.

***Action Items:***

1. Council will finalize the November draft meeting notes at its January meeting.



## IEc Work Product/Document Review, Input, and Feedback Process

Members of the group agreed to review the IEC document review process flowchart in the September Council meeting notes so that the group can ascertain if the process is being followed and is working effectively. The facilitator will distribute a copy of the final September notes to the group.

With respect to review of the contaminants of concern (COC) and species of concern (SOC) profiles, it is acceptable for individual trustees to send comments directly to IEC. This exception to the normal feedback process was made for expediency only in providing comments on the COC and SOC profiles in response to a recommendation from IEC. Steve Wisness will contact IEC on behalf of DOE to see what IEC can and cannot do related to these profiles with respect to expectations and the level of detail for the profiles.

IEc has sent out an outline for the RAD profile. The group agreed to provide comments on the outline by Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup> to enable IEC to discuss the profile at the January Council meeting and workshops.

### *Action Items:*

- 2. Facilitator will distribute a copy of the final meeting notes for the September Council meeting.*
- 3. Council members will provide IEC with their comments on the RAD profile outline by Friday, January 7, 2011.*

## Study Selection Criteria

The Technical Working Groups (TWGs) are working on this now. The criteria should be ready for full group discussion at the March Council meeting.

## Energy Park/Future Site Uses White Paper

Council members discussed balancing the desire to have something written for use at the January 27, 2011 energy park workshop with the concern that the white paper in its current form would have to be approved by one or more tribal councils. There is not enough time between now and the workshop to gain tribal council approval. Barbara Harper volunteered to revise the white paper to see if it can be worded such that it can be used for the workshop without the need for tribal council approval. Dan Landeen will ask Jack Bell to help Barbara.

### *Action Items:*

- 4. Barbara Harper will send the revised white paper to the facilitator by 12:00 noon, Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup> so it can be distributed to the Council at least a week before the January Council meeting.*
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## NRDA Examples

Steve Wisness shared a table of natural resource damage assessment (NRDA) activities and funding with the group. He agreed to search for additional information on remediation budgets and ecological risk assessments. FWS also described funding and settlement costs

related to some of its mining remediation projects. FWS will also check the Department of the Interior database for information that might be useful as the Council begins developing its Fiscal Year 2013 (FY2013) budget request.

*Action Item:*

6. *Steve Wisness will look into information on remediation budgets and ecological risk assessments that might be useful examples for the Council.*

### **FY2013 Budget Development**

The Council is waiting for information on specific studies from the TWGs and for each Council member to develop its individual organization's participation budget request. Both types of information will be needed in preparation for the January Council meeting. The senior trustees have directed the Council to develop a single budget request for Council participation and study activities. The group discussed the possible need for a conference call or additional face-to-face meeting focused on the FY2013 budget in February 2011.

*Action Items:*

7. *TWGs will develop information on specific studies that could be conducted in FY2013 for the January Council meeting.*
8. *Each Council member will prepare a budget request for his/her organization's participation in Council activities in FY2013 in preparation for the January Council meeting.*

### **January Council Meeting**

The January Council meeting will begin at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, January 18<sup>th</sup>. Work on Tuesday and Wednesday will focus on Council business. Thursday, January 20<sup>th</sup> is reserved for two IEC workshops. The meeting will be held in Room 31 at HAMMER. The facilitator agreed to send out the draft agenda and associated background documents at least a week prior to the meeting.

The group identified the following topics and preferred days for the January Council meeting:

- Adopt November Council meeting notes (Tuesday)
- Work on/finalize Energy Park white paper (Tuesday)
- Develop Council-level response to DOE draft NRDA policy (Tuesday)
- Discuss budget issues - 2011 budget update and FY2013 budget request development (Wednesday)
- Discuss IEC issues, including document review/feedback process and expectations for Task 4.3 (Wednesday afternoon)

*Action Item:*

9. *Facilitator will distribute the draft agenda and associated documents at least one week prior to the January Council meeting.*

### **Announcements and Updates**

Jack Bell requested Council member input on HLAN data questions by January 21<sup>st</sup> to assist IEC in its development of the data management plan.

Barbara Harper asked for assistance with the chain of custody forms to sturgeon carcasses from the first round of sampling so they will not be wasted.

Russ MacRae is working to get the Project Coordinator position classified as a GS-13. There will be opportunities for Council members to help develop interview questions and participate in candidate interviews.

The conference call ended at 3:05 pm.

**Action Items (consolidated)**

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