

STC Mtg.
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WDFW Office

Terry Willis, Jim Hill, Chad Stussy, Lonnie Crumley, Mark Swartout, Bruce Jones, Taylor Pittman, Glenn Connelly, Lee Napier, and John Kliem were present.

Mark commented that during 2005 the group accomplished a considerable amount due to the dedication of staff and citizen volunteers. He thanked everyone for the continued support.

Phase IV

Mark introduced John Kliem who will help us to further our work on the DIP.

John reviewed his approach to helping the group-see Power Point presentation. He explained his assumptions and a five-step process and schedule.

Comments from the group during John's presentation:

- The group liked the June deadline for completing the drafts because that allows time to discuss the document with the CBP over the summer.
- DIP would be like a work plan. This would allow some work to occur beyond this first year.
- The group hopes Mason and Lewis Counties could attend the next meeting in February.
- They asked Lee to get copies of the Conservation District's 5-year plans. To avoid duplicating their work.
- Change letter of agreement to letter of commitment to avoid the time necessary for an official commitment. This might also become part of the work plan for future years.
- Step 3 will include the opportunity for sponsors to evaluate the tasks and modify to meet their ability to perform the task.
- How do we find the sponsors that we don't already know? We can identify sponsors through the brainstorming processes and through outreach to the people identified through brainstorming.

Likes-

- Step by step plan to get our work done by September.
- Realistic approach to completing our work.
- Process allows us to adapt/flexible while we work.
- Make sure everything stays on track-keep our mission in forefront.

Dislike-

- Do we need public outreach beyond potential sponsors? We could use Drops of Water to share information about Phase IV work and outreach at the Watershed Festival. Need to develop a CBP website.

Challenges-

- Complete draft by July to allow time for counties, cities, tribes, etc. to review the drafts.
- Do we need to restructure the committees to improve communication? One solution might be to ask the chairs of the Water Quality and Habitat Work group to attend the STC meetings.
- Add as part of the STC agenda a report on their work plan progress.
- What are the deliverables for each work plan?
- Make sure the work plans are consistent with the white papers and WMP actions.
- When meeting with the sponsors share the funding database information.
- Try to identify ahead of time if a sponsor is already doing this work.
- Keep the STC focused and on track.
- How do spend adequate time with the CBP to get them comfortable with the plan/outcome?
- What are the expectations from the CBP for the DIP? Many people expected the Plan to be more specific, which was delayed pending the development of the DIP.
- Define what the DIP is or remind the CBP what we already told them.
- Keep the DIP "alive" -develop a structure and process.
- Add a financial strategy piece.

Agreements-

- Chairs/representative will attend the STC meeting to improve coordination.
- Have the draft DIP out in early July.
- Drops of Water as one of the tool for outreach. Lee will seek confirmation from Margaret that we can use the DOW as a tool for outreach.

Watershed Action Council Grant

Napier reported that she received notice of recommendation for funding. The group reviewed a draft scope of work and suggested

changes. The group discussed deliverables, which should include an inventory of the water systems, rights, rights in use, and the inchoate portion. They would also like to see alternatives related to possible uses of inchoate water rights as a deliverable.

Napier will put out a request for proposals in the next few weeks.

The next meeting of the STC will be February 9th in Montesano at the County's Forestry Building.