

Jim Fleming, Curt Cook, Chrissy Wiseman, Lee Napier, Patrick Wiltzius, Kahle Jennings, Dave Rountry, Chanele Holbrook, Ron Schillinger, Ann Wick, Margaret Rader, Harry Pickernell, Doug Fricke, Dave Jarzynka and Terry Willis were present.

Willis welcomed the group and asked people to introduce themselves.

### **Coordinated Water Quality Monitoring Program**

Jennings distributed a handout related to monitoring overview that was developed as part of the Watch over Washington program. This will become a fundamental piece of the coordinated plan for this basin. His example was something previously accepted and provides different levels of monitoring protocol.

Chrissy Wiseman introduced herself and the work she will oversee for Thurston County Conservation District. Her work will focus on water quality monitoring and best management practices.

### **Upper Chehalis Bacterial TMDL**

Rountry shared a handout related to the Environmental Finance Center. He felt the group could receive some benefit from this organization. Napier added that she had attended a workshop sponsored by this group. Communications have continued and there are plans to help the Chehalis Basin in the 2004 work plan. For more information check the website- <http://sspa.boisestate.edu/efc/news.htm>

Rountry reviewed with the group the *Upper Chehalis River Fecal Coliform Bacteria TMDL Recommendations*, Draft February 2004 document

One concern from the group was outreach and sharing this information with the public. Rountry responded that this is always the most difficult part of this process. Wiltzius suggested an announcement during the next CBP meeting.

Willis shared that this plan is very technical and difficult for the average reader to understand. Napier shared that Bob Amrine expressed the same concern with respect to the language about the 90<sup>th</sup> percentile. Holbrook intends to share information with her volunteer groups, but doesn't know how to be effective in sharing this technical information. Rountry will try to assemble a fact sheet for this report.

## **Groundwater Assessment Program**

Jennings shared that Charles Pitz has furthered this pilot program and published a second QAPP. The January 2004 QAPP (Publication No. 04-03-102) will focus on the collection of data (ambient monitoring). The goal of this project is to determine the background quality and the hydraulic continuity of the aquifer.

For next meeting the group will briefly discuss the Water Quality Coordinated Plan, the TMDL recommendations from the draft February 2004 document, and the groundwater assessment. The emphasis of the next meeting will be to review and rank the water quality applications submitted to Ecology.

The next meeting is March 11, 2004.