



Leadership Team Meeting Minutes
At CDPH&E – May 13, 2009

COORDINATORS REPORT



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There was consensus among the members that the coordinators should assist groups with learning to enter their data into DSN but not enter the data for them. There are not enough hours in the current grant work plan to accommodate entering data for other groups.

Jeff is working with Lucia to set up training for Non-Point sponsors training. Dave Kanser agreed to make contacts to obtain critical data sets, and Lucia will give Jeff a list of contacts to obtain selenium data.

The coordinators need pictures of field monitoring and related themes. Please send pictures to cdsn@mtngeogeeek.com.

BUDGET

Barb is working on finalizing the budget and identifying the actual non-grant assets available to the Council. The Coordinators are working on a budget tracking system which will expedite invoice processing. There is some uncertainty regarding hosting payments. There is a discrepancy with the amount shown due by Gold Systems and the payments made by the Watershed Assembly. Barb will coordinate with the Assembly to resolve this.

DSN MAP

The details of the WQX conversion will be handled by the TAC. The time frame is currently estimated for July or August. The cost to the Council is estimated at \$10,000. Karl mentioned that the core of WQX (AWQMS) is being worked on by Gold Systems and it is near completion.

Karl reported that the state's data will continue to be stored in STORED via the new EQUIS system and that EQUIS can link this data directly to the DSN map. Since the meeting Karl provided the following update after talking to Arne Sjodin at the state.

"At the meeting, I had discussed plans for connection through web services directly to the WQCD system. However, after the meeting yesterday, I chatted with Arne and he advised me that the CWQMC connection approach will not be directly to WQCD. Rather, CWQMC access to WQCD data will be through national STORET, through web services provided by EPA."

The TAC is working on Google Earth options for the map.

WEB

Much progress has been made on the new website. It should go live by some time in June. The website in progress can be viewed at the address included in the attached coordinators report.

NATIONAL MONITORING COUNCIL CONFERENCE

Cathy Tate reported the call for abstracts will be sent out soon and since this meeting has been distributed. Lynn will send out to the Council members. Abstracts are due September 19, 2009. It is now time to solidify the specific participation of the Council. This will be the focus of the next LT meeting. Members are asked to bring specific ideas for presentations to the next meeting. This will be a golden opportunity for the Council to showcase its work and products. Sponsor solicitation will begin soon. Lucia mentioned the state will submit an abstract for a presentation on measurable results.

Workshops can be included in the agenda throughout the conference.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Barb currently has no participation for this committee. She is interested in volunteers. Please contact Barb at Barb.Horn@state.co.us if you can find some time to give her a hand. Barb went to the Arkansas Forum where she made some contacts with people that expressed interest in participating but she is still looking for the people in the Arkansas Basin that can best represent the Council's needs. Dave Kanser suggested she contact the Arkansas Roundtable for potential assistance and representation.

MONITORING COMMITTEE

The Monitoring kick-off meeting has been rescheduled for May 21st.

ROUNDTABLE

The Gunnison Water Consumptive Workshop will be held in Crested Butte this July. Dave Kanser will be attending and will attempt to promote west slope membership at this conference. Barb may be attending as well.

Barb discussed efforts to work with the USGS on the Yampa retrospective. Although she was promised to be included, she has not been invited to the table. She reported that this effort is not considered by USGS to be sustainable. Barb feels this is where the DSN can fit in. Dave K. stated that he attends retrospective meetings on the west slope and will work to get the Council included.

NEXT MEETING

June 10, 2009 at a site TBD.