



Leadership Team Meeting Minutes  
City of Thornton November 12, 2009

**Coordinator's Report**

The grant semi-annual report was sent to the SPCURE Coordinator. It is not clear if the state is in receipt of the report. Vic will talk to Lucia to see if she has the report and he will talk with the Coordinator to see if the way the report is being processed is adequate or if there could be a better way.

The liability insurance policy invoice was paid by CWA without the knowledge or approval of the CDSN Coordinators. This process needs to be firmed up. Lynn will follow up with Jeff Crane to fine tune the invoice payment process.

Lynn discussed the Gold Systems map RFP. The RFP cost estimate is \$30,000 to complete all work on the wish list. The state grant for the map is only \$20,000. For \$20,000 the map would not include direct access to other user databases, a feature that most members have indicated is very desirable. Karl will discuss the possibility of increasing the grant amount with Dan Beley. Lynn reported that Gold Systems would throw in 12 months of hosting if the Council would approve the \$30,000 RFP.

The new AWQMS software is free so there is an option to move forward without Gold Systems and purchase our own server to host the data. Lynn recommends staying with Gold Systems for now because she feels the AWQMS is still in a beta phase and we could run into problems down the line that we cannot resolve.

There is less than \$1000 (\$959) in the Council's account to pay November hosting but Gold System has the system shut down so it is not clear when hosting costs will be due.

**USGS Meeting**

Barb Horn met with USGS management staff to discuss a possible partnership. USGS is evaluating the future of their retrospective program. Barb presented them with a straw man document that presented opportunities for partnership. They had expressed to Barb that they were interested in using the DSN to host their biological data. Barb will continue to work with USGS on this issue. It is possible that USGS could be used for the next phase of the mapping project.

### **SPCURE Presentation**

SPCURE had expressed an interest in a presentation of the new AWQMS DSN and map upgrade project at their December meeting. Vic will contact Sarah R. to discuss the final arrangements and date. Budget dollars for travel for Lynn to this presentation is an issue that will be looked at.

### **Website**

The old website is no longer active. It was expressed that it would be beneficial to have a message on the old site directing people to the new site. Apparently this is a very convoluted issue and probably will not happen.

### **National Conference**

Abstracts are being reviewed. Sponsorship letters will be sent out to all Council members. Members are encouraged to provide contacts for potential sponsors to Cathy Tate at [cmtate@usgs.gov](mailto:cmtate@usgs.gov).

### **SWAP**

The Water Quality Control Commission has pushed the basin hearing schedule back one year. This gives the Council a “free” year because the SWAPs were scheduled to coincide with the Basin Hearings. A discussion followed regarding what the Leadership Team’s interest is in outreach for this delay period. The Team expressed interest in maintaining a presence through two mini-SWAPs that would be offered up for basins expressing an interest. A suggestion was made to look into providing these SWAPs through webinars. Barb offered to look into the webinar option.

### **TAC**

Jim Dorsch has stepped down as the TAC chair. His intent is to remain active with the TAC and Leadership liaison with TAC until a replacement can be found.

### **Recruitment**

It was noted that the Leadership Team has lost three members. Barb asked all members to appeal to one person by next meeting about joining the Leadership Team.

Alice C. arranged for the Council Poster to be displayed at the South Platter Forum. Thanks Alice.

### **Round Table**

Karl mentioned that interest in the DSN could be elevated as the 303D List data call approaches.

### **NEXT MEETING**

TBD