



# FCRPS Cultural Resources Sub-Committee 2021 Summer Quarterly Meeting - Notes

**Date:** Thursday and Friday, June 10 and 11, 2021  
**Time:** Thursday: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Pacific Time  
 Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Pacific Time (if necessary)  
**Place:** WEBEX: <https://usace1.webex.com/meet/michael.a.flowers>

## Attendees

Participant Name	6/10	6/11	Affiliation
Greg Anderson (GA)	X	X	BPA
Derek Beery (DB)- notes	X	X	Reclamation
Jennifer Bertolani (JB)	X	X	USACE – NWS
Leah Bonstead (LB)			USACE – NWW
Kevin Cannell (KC)		X	BPA
Michael Flowers (MF)	X	X	USACE – NWD
Tara Gauthier (TG)			USACE – NWP
Scott Hall (SMH)		X	USACE – NWW
Sean Hess (SCH)	X		Reclamation
Sarah MacIntosh (SM)			USACE – NWS
Celia Moret Crockett (CMC)	X	X	BPA
Aaron Naumann (AN)		X	BPA
Liz Oliver (LO)	X	X	USACE – NWP
Kelly Phillips (KP)	X	X	BPA Contractor
Jenna Peterson (JP)			BPA
Matthew Punke (MP)			USACE – NWS
Jeremy Ripin (JR)			USACE – NWS
Pei-Lin Yu (PY)	X		USACE – NWW

## Notes

**Action Items are in bold.** They are summarized in a table at the end.

**Thursday, June 10      9:00AM to 12:00 PM**

## **Introductions & Announcements (Group)**

Jen, Kelly, Pei, Mike, Sean, Celia, Derek, Greg, Sarah, Liz

- Corps Northwestern Division: Chief of Planning, Environmental and Fish Policy position (soon to be vice Jim Fredericks) is out for hire. Corps Seattle: No Updates. Corps Walla Walla: Royce Johnson is the new Term GS 9 Archaeologist. Corps Portland: Dan Costa is the new GS12 Archaeologist, he started through a cooperative agreement and supporting Real Estate but is now permanent. Kyle Stubblefield is the new GS 7/9/11 archaeologist starting August. On max telework through June 30<sup>th</sup> then a slow transition back to the office.
- Reclamation: Lorri Grey (Regional Director) is taking an extended vacation over the next 2 months. Acting Regional Directors will be taking over her roles. Reed McDonald (tributary-habitat archaeologist) left Reclamation. They are planning to hire a GS11 to replace him. Hired a new historian, Kaitlin Hovanec who is based out of Yakima.
- BPA: Matt Sisneros is the new GIS contractor. Transmission side is very understaffed with multiple vacancies. Goal is to hire federal employees to back fill vs. contractors. Staff is not going back to the office until at least Labor Day. There is still no approval for any FCRPS related travel.

## **SWPA Requirements – Schedule & Milestones**

- FY20 Annual Report: FY20 Annual report was printed and distributed March 30<sup>th</sup>. Group to let MF know if anyone requires additional printed copies.
- At the FY2020 Systemwide Meeting there was discussion regarding Stipulation XVI.G. of the SWPA and the definition of Cultural Resources. Lead agency staff have written a letter in response with the agencies position and it has been signed by agency deputies. The letter is ready for distribution to the Program participants.
- Summary Sheet: **3Ps will update the Summary Sheet and distribute to CRSC by end of June.**

## **Program Status**

- Program Goals & Measures: **MF will distribute the Program Manager Roles & Responsibilities spreadsheet to CRSC by end of June.**
- Performance Indicators: **MF/KC will send the FY22 Performance Indicators spreadsheet to the CRSC with revised language (regarding PI #1) by 2 weeks before September CRSC. PMs to provide comments on the revised PI #1 language by September CRSC.**
- MF: Long term Goals were updated based on discussions at December 2019 CRSC where PI #1 was increased to complete two treatments per year (rather than 1). 3Ps would like to recommend adding language to further clarify intent of PI #1.
  - The group discussed changing the language of PI #1 to two treatments completed per year vs two TPFs. As it is written, the group is not obligated to complete a mitigation/treatment each year, only forms. However, some aspects of the treatment are out of the PMs hands. The PIs reflect what the PMs do have control over. Per the SWPA, the TPFs do not need to be signed to be implemented. MF noted that even though they are not required to be signed that we should all strive for signatures. SH: For Reclamation it has worked out best if TPFs have signatures from Agency officials and THPOs. A Project could add specific language to a PSPA detailing their process. CMC: The PKC group drafted a 4-page consultation process because of the confusion

- surrounding TPFs in the group. The 2019 version of the Directions on how to complete a TPF addresses signatures.
- The intention for eligibility is the number of properties not determinations. It is easier to complete a determination of eligibility vs a treatment. Treatments carry more weight in illustrating Program progress vs determinations of eligibility. This was largely discussed in Dec 2019 meeting.
  - Action Items
    - **3Ps to provide clarifying language regarding Long Term goal #3.**
    - **Add “Directions to Complete TPFs” to September CRSC Agenda.**
    - **SH to send out comments received on v6 of the Directions to CRSC. 3Ps to distribute most recent version of TPF to CRSC (using dates on forms not version numbers).**

## Day 2

Same folks as Day 1 with addition of Kevin, Scott and Aaron and minus Sean.

### Monitoring Reports

- DAHP does not have any monitoring report standards. Are people including context/background sections in monitoring reports or not?
  - If there is no requirement by DAHP, then do what works best for each group. SHall suggested JB reach out to LB re: this, as she has some experience in contracting this kind of work that might be valuable. If it's not a requirement of the contract it may reduce costs to complete more monitoring each year.
- Are these documents provided to SHPO? PKC submits to SHPO. ID has been strict on having context statements but this wasn't specific for monitoring reports. WPKK does not include context statement (per contract) and they do submit reports to SHPO. MF recommends discussing with Karen/Guy in a smaller group vs in CG meeting.

### Added Agenda Item – Travel for Meetings

- 3Ps have discussed the change COVID has made on work environments. Would like everyone to think about environmental, funding and productivity impacts by meeting in person each quarter vs. moving one or more meetings a year to virtual platforms.
- Face-to-face conversations are essential to our Program and building relationships. The conversations that are had in person are intangible benefits. We've also proven that technology is well functioning, and we are successful having conversations in virtual formats.
  - Hybrid approach to meetings - Those who can travel or are near the mtg location can attend in person and those farther away can join virtually. Would like to see everyone remain flexible.

### Project Round Robin

- Hungry Horse: MPD Trails system complete for 13 sites. FNF took MPD to consensus determination with MT SHPO. PSPA is ongoing – took longer than initially thought to draft due to amount of coordination/collaboration with all parties involved. PSPA is ready to send to MT SHPO.
- Grand Coulee Mainstem: Started an emergency data recovery at pit house feature Monday. Issues getting ARPA permits for NPS managed lands to complete FCRPS work but this came together quickly to

complete the work. Getting ready to kick off Lake Roosevelt PSPA. SHess is putting together contract with the Department of the Interior, Office of Collaborative Action and Dispute Resolution (CADR) for facilitation of process. Working with two tribes, SHPO, NPS, FCRPS etc. Getting GIS database updated and working efficiently for moving forward, group looking forward to working with new BPA GIS staff person.

- Grand Coulee Spokane: Just completed Phase 1 of 45LI377 stabilization Project. Phase 2 will start after Labor Day (NPS does not allow work between Memorial Day to Labor Day). No contract modifications for Phase 1 of work. DB shared progress photos of Phase 1 work.
- Chief Joseph: CCT has been on hiring freezes throughout COVID and we're starting to see this impact our contract work. We are still moving forward with photography and rehabilitation of collections. We're placing signs at site 45DO278 as treatment. Looking into HHRD for one site that is being used as a camp site. Plant inventory and Story Maps are two recently awarded contracts for this year. HPMP went out for official 60 day consultation; those comments were due June 1<sup>st</sup>. We are revising the HPMP into final version by July 1<sup>st</sup> and route for final review.
- Libby: Cindy with KNF is completing site condition monitoring of 10 sites with coordination with Tribe. Wrapping up a lot of contracts including the Trails Study contract. Working to determine what information should be included in TCP forms to wrap up contract. Jennings interpretive panels – printing signs. Prioritize contracts for FY22. Drafting contracts now to be uploaded to contracting by October 1<sup>st</sup>. Would like to add ARPA signage and is looking for templates. LO: NWP OC has said the sign must state the law/ARPA to prosecute. **Group to share ARPA sign examples with CRSC.**
- Albeni Falls: Continues to struggle with TPF development. Proposing to get a facilitator for group – looking at working with PKC facilitator who is already familiar with FCRPS. Planning to meet with tribes individually to see if they are open to having a facilitator – JR to schedule in June. Earlier in year, identified two rock image sites being vandalized – were looking at ways to provide public education but tribes were opposed at the last meeting. Tribes would like to educate the tribal living community. Doing maintenance to 10BR90 stabilization (completed 2007/2008) that needs some additional rock. Working on stabilization at 10BR91. Materials are staged and the contract is awarded to begin construction July 15<sup>th</sup> for 4-6 weeks. Real estate has quoted \$1000 per right of entry/easement regarding inventory of private lands within APE.
- Payos Kuus Cuukwe: Working on FY22 award of facilitator contract. Finalizing the first 2 yrs partial mitigation for Palus Canyon TCP TPFs. TPF is drafted for 45BN202 stabilization at McNary. Site visits are planned for end of June. There are interpretive signs along reservoirs in disrepair and out of date the group has been discussing. Drafting consultation plans for sign development to add to HPMP. Working through development of PSPA and McNary HPMP. HPMP draft to Mike/Kevin for review in August. Workshop and monitoring contracts awarded this year for each tribe. Jon Shellenberger resigned from Yakama Nation and is no longer participating in PKC. Corps staff is working on testing and monitoring reports. Set out goal to issue three contracts a year with each tribe (mitigation, monitoring, and workshop). Not all tribes have accepted the contracts due to staffing etc. Have been working with Chris Daniels re PSPA.
- WPKK: Working on finalizing John Day river fencing project, mitigating 6 sites. Submitted 8 determination of eligibility this fiscal year. Group did a site visit with engineer to evaluate prior year

stabilization/site treatment. Looked at petroglyphs moved from Ft Vancouver to Horsethief State Park. Received great feedback from Washington State Parks that the exhibit is doing well. Sent out NAGPRA agreement for tribal comment. Planning meeting scheduled for next week will be hybrid with some folks meeting in person.

Review New Action Items

**Previous Action Items:**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Status</b>
MF to prepare the draft Annual Report Transmittal Letter for review by Ps and signatories	ASAP, Completed 3/12/21
SCH to provide other Ps with a reminder of the March 15 <sup>th</sup> meeting to discuss the Section 16.G letter that needs to go out to tribes by April 30 <sup>th</sup>	Completed during meeting
LO will provide examples of the social media messaging Portland District has recently posted on their platforms that educate the public on archaeological impacts along the lower Columbia.	Completed during the meeting
CRSC will provide SH with comments on the updated Mission Statement Bullet #3 by April 1 <sup>st</sup> . Discussion of the comments and next steps will be an agenda item for the Summer CRSC meeting	April 1, 2021 Agenda Topic for Summer CRSC Meeting June 10-12, 2021.
MF will send the Corps Archaeologists only the guidance on contracting and letter from the Office of Council	ASAP
SH to provide group with the letter from ACHP to Reclamation regarding technical adequacy of inventories as compared to age of inventory	Completed during the meeting

**Action Items from this Meeting:**

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Group to send FY22 mtg dates to KP who will update and distribute FCRPS Calendar	ASAP

➤ Next meeting – September 1 and 2, 2021