

# FCRPS Cultural Resources Sub-Committee (CRSC) 2020 Summer Quarterly Meeting - Notes

<u>Date & Time</u>: June 10 - 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Pacific Time

Place: CONFERENCE CALL/WEBINAR

## **Attendees**

Participant Name	Present	Affiliation
Greg Anderson (GA)	X	BPA
Derek Beery (DB)	X	Reclamation
Jennifer Bertolani (JB)	X	USACE – NWS
Leah Bonstead	X	USACE – NWW
Kevin Cannell (KC)	X	BPA
Ashley Dailide (AD)	X	USACE – NWS
Michael Flowers (MF)	X	USACE – NWD
Kara Kanaby (KK)		USACE NWS
Scott Hall (SMH)	X	USACE – NWW
Sean Hess (SCH)	X	Reclamation
Celia Moret Crockett (CMC)	X	BPA
Aaron Naumann (AN)	X	BPA
Liz Oliver (LO)	X	USACE – NWP
Kelly Phillips (KP)	X	BPA Contractor
Jenna Peterson (JP)	X	BPA
Matthew Punke (MP)	X	USACE – NWS
Jeremy Ripin (JR)	X	USACE – NWS
Agnes Castronuevo	X	USACE-NWS-notetaker

#### Note:

• Action Items highlighted in blue. They are summarized in a table at the end.

## **Introductions & Announcements**

- This meeting was originally scheduled as a face-to-face meeting, but due to concerns about COVID-19, the Program Managers shifted this to a conference call
- Seattle District finished interviews for vacant archaeologist position

- Ashley's last day at Seattle District is 31 July 2020
- Scott Hall announced that Dr. Pei Lin Yu will fill vacant archaeologist position at Walla Walla District

## **Meeting Notes**

- Program Managers have been considering ways to improve the meeting note production process
- JP and JB produced draft set of notetaking procedures
- Finalized meeting notes will be posted to the FCRPS website within 2 weeks of final version being distributed to CRCS meeting participants
- Seattle District will take notes through FY20
- NWP suggested making note taking practices consistent with CRSC Charter
- <u>Decisions</u>
  - Finalize notetaking procedures document
  - Label draft versus final versions of notes
  - 3Ps will develop schedule of rotation for notetaking responsibilities extending three years out to include all positions and beginning in FY21.

#### Approval of FY 2019 Mtg. Notes

- Sean produced a single set of meeting notes for all four FY2019 CRSC meetings,
- Sean produced March 2020 meeting notes, distributed to the group.
- Decisions
  - FY19 and March FY20 meeting notes are final and will be put on the FCRPS website

# **Review of Action Items from the Previous Meeting**

Item	Status
JP and JB volunteered to provide a draft set	DONE
of procedures for the notetaking and review	
process by 4/1/2020.	
Program Managers will finalize written	DONE
standards for the notetaking processes as	
soon as possible. It would be ideal if these	
standards could be prepared by the next	
CRSC meeting in June 2020	
SCH to provide the draft short notes for	DONE
FY2019 to the CRSC by 3/18/2020	
Comments on the draft FY2019 notes to be	DONE
provided back to SCH by 4/6/2020	
LB to share the site monitoring app by	DONE
3/18/2020	

MF will distribute the MCX report after 6	MCX requests this not be sent out until
Mar. and after MF has a chance to discuss	Tribal consultation effort has been
this with MCX following the tribal	completed. MF to send final report when
consultation process	available
Project Managers will complete discussions	Ongoing
with the participants about how to conduct	
the client survey before start of FY 2021 on	
10/1/2020	

# <u>SWPA Requirements – Schedule & Milestones</u>

## FY19 Annual Report

Program Manager Meeting with CTUIR Regarding Their 2<sup>nd</sup> Five-Year Review Comments

- Due to COVID-19 travel restrictions, proposed meeting in April has been postponed to July 23, 2020. If unable to conduct face to face meeting, it will be a conference call/webinar.
- Annual report has distributed electronically, hard copies available once normal office business resumes.

#### FY20 Annual Report

- Annual Report Instructions document.
  - The group discussed the revised set of instructions for preparation of the Annual Report to make sure that it was consistent.
  - Discussion about the APE and its definition(s); differences between Corps and Reclamation lands and projects
  - Table 1. APE Acres Ordinarily Accessible for Survey has not consistently excluded slopes >30% or 40°; need a reliable GIS algorithm?
  - For next annual report, define how ordinarily accessible survey acreages are being calculated for each project; possibly in the Project appendices if they vary greatly by Project
  - Brief descriptions of different Project APEs to be included in a tab on the tables for reference (Direct effects, Indirect effects, Viewshed)
  - Table 3. Number of sites documented through FCRPS-funded efforts should be within the individual Project Direct effects APE; how is TCP data captured within the individual Project Indirect effects APE (if the Projects have an indirect effects APE)?
  - Table 3. Number of New Properties Documented with non-FCRPS Program Funds. MF added additional language for capturing TCP data from other agencies
  - We need to list numbers of TCPs that the program has identified
  - Suggest using definitions of cultural resources, historic properties, etc. as found in the laws and regulations
  - Discussion of whether to count TCPs that also contain one or more historic properties as one resource/historic property or multiple resources.
  - **Table 4.** Discussion about the size of the individual Project Indirect effects APE in Portland District and Walla Walla District, in relationship to the Direct effects APE

- **Table 5.** Some confusion last year when filling out this table for Albeni Falls and Libby. The instructions clearly indicate that these numbers are cumulative, but given the structure of the tables above this might not be clear to the reader; clarify that numbers are cumulative in a footnote.
- No changes to Table 9 and 10.
- Table 15. Appendix B. "NAGPRA Items" should go into definitions
- Decisions
  - Program Managers will come up with a system to count TCPs
  - Program Managers will incorporate changes then get out to the group by July 15, 2020.

#### **Program Status**

- Goals & Measures Revision Update.
  - KC sent out draft to cooperating groups on March 12 for comment with a due date of March 26. One comment was received.
  - Draft sent to JOC for review in May
  - MF to ask JOC about status of Draft Program Goals and Measures document
- Program Goals and Measures-Status of FY20 Tasks:
  - SH and MF sent copies out to the group
- Performance Indicators-FY20, FY21 Milestone development:
  - Corps has a couple of yellow interim milestones
  - Treatment Plan Forms are on track for all Coop Groups.
  - Development of FY21 Contracts is on track
  - June CRSC meeting discussed changes from the FY20 to the FY21 performance indicators

#### Decisions:

- Reclamation and BPA will perpetuate FY20 milestones into FY21; adjust as per long term goals
- Corps and BPA will maintain FY20 milestones into FY21; adjust as per long term goals
- SH will look at milestone dates and send to MF and KC by June 17, 2020; Program Managers will create a draft table for FY21 PIs and send out to the CRSC by June 24, 2020.

## **Systemwide Conference Planning**

#### Planning Update (KP)

- Next planning meeting scheduled June 15, 2020
- Plan for virtual meeting due to uncertainty of COVID-19 situation?
- Program Managers briefly mentioned the possibility of a virtual meeting if needed at the last planning meeting, but it was not discussed at length at that time.

- When the SWPA was drafted, the authors did not consider the effects of a pandemic on the requirements which state that a systemwide meeting is to be held every two years
- Face-to-face meeting; concern for high risk groups, elder safety
- During Monday June 15, 2020, planning meeting, talk with participants, seek their opinion on alternatives to an in person meeting
- Virtual meeting would require high capacity WebEx, transition to Powerpoint for presentations, with a target date of October 2020 to remain compliant with the SWPA
- Options: Physical event, virtual event, postpone the event
- Decisions
  - Three options to discuss with the planning committee:
    - face to face meeting
    - virtual event (preferred)
    - postpone the event; with the understanding that a virtual event would still need to take place in October

Planning for discussion of 2<sup>nd</sup> Five-Year Review of SWPA Schedule review

• Summary of comments that have been received; discuss direction and plan for responses

#### Columbia River System Operations EIS/S106 – Update

- Cultural resource comments were overall consistent with known concerns.
- Yakama Nation sent letter re: use of SWPA, agencies have responded; Yakama Nation also engaged with ACHP directly. ACHP developing response letter.
- One Record of Decision for September 2020 signature

# **Grand Ronde Tribe Participation Update**

 Discussions have occurred about how to proceed; waiting for Grand Ronde to respond to agencies

# **Project Round Robin**

- Pavos Kuus Cuukwe
  - Scott. Transitioned to doing ½ day monthly meetings with the group
  - Celia. Been using contract facilitator for meetings, resulting in better communications. Routed 6 treatment plan forms for signature; the 4 to be conducted in FY20 are native vegetation with tule transplanting along an eroding bank, 3-D imaging at petroglyph site Lower Monumental, Public Education for a heavily vandalized pictograph site at McNary, and backfilling of holes and a sign at a looted site at McNary. Each of the tribes also have monitoring and workshop contracts as well as Palus Canyon TCP mitigation contracts.
- Lake Roosevelt
  - Derek. Marble Beach stabilization project complete. NPS halted ARPA permits from Lake Roosevelt due to pandemic during the lowest drawdown; tribes could only complete work on tribal lands. NPS re-opened permits in late May. Data recovery projects with Spokane Tribe at LeBret's is going well. Inventory work slowing down due to

completion of accessible acreage. Finalized draft NR nomination for Grand Coulee Dam, to the Keeper within a couple months. Former historian went to Santa Fe.

#### • Hungry Horse.

- Derek. Flathead NF (FNF) completed spring monitoring at sites with CSKT. BPA and BOR working on a draft PSPA and hope to have it ready to got to FNF soon.
- Jenna. Historic logging article to come out in Montana Western History. CSKT have developed ethnobotanical monitoring forms and these are being incorporated into the seasonal site monitoring. [JB asked if botanical forms were appropriate for use outside of project]

#### • Wana Pa Koot Koot.

• Greg. Recent completion of stabilization effort at Bob's Point. Waves slowed down from installation of a wave-attenuator, willows planted at the water. Daily looting activity stopped. Stabilization project on Memaloose Island. Looting pit filled on Rocky Island. Planning to move petroglyph boulders from Grant House at Fort Vancouver to Columbia Hills State Park. Plan to install fencing in John Day Narrows on the John Day River to prevent cattle from trampling archaeological sites. Liz and Greg working on HPMP for The Dalles – consultation procedures. Planning meeting next week at Wana Pa Koot Koot.

#### • Chief Joseph.

- Jen. The new IDIQ for CCT is in place after a year of development. Successfully held a planning meeting and the next cooperating group meeting is scheduled for a week out. The cooperating group plans to conduct ethnobotany research and conduct TCP/Traditional Plant inventory. The group is looking to conduct annual collection rehabilitation for the large collections at the CCT Repository. We have discussed the idea of a coffee table book filled with images from one site (45DO214), the group will start with story maps for each site that is rehabilitated and work towards creating a coffee table book. Seattle District put together notetaking contract for three projects (CJD, LD, AFD) cooperating groups. Contract will be implemented in FY2021; currently in contracting, looking for award by 1 October 2020.
- Celia. HPMP to be signed in 2021. Refining it, to get to Kevin and Mike end of June. Colville in September.

#### Albeni Falls

- Jeremy. Albeni Falls. COVID-19 has affected regularly scheduled meetings. Working on Strong's Island stabilization project. Contention regarding cost, Corps decided to move ahead with site stabilization. Push the group to plan for the future, keep on track. Monitoring at Bearpaw Rock during Memorial Day weekend.
- Kelly. Albeni Falls. The cooperating group has struggled with long term planning. Continue working on developing a priority site list getting tribal input.

#### Libby

• Ashley. Budget cuts, curation challenges. Few contracts this year, 310-acre survey delayed by COVID-19; trail study finishing last option year currently, assured final product at end of contract. Working on signage project CSKT Tribe—Jennings site—three signs to be placed across the river. Working on incorporating shared historic/tribal

- point of view. Tribe wants this one to be their point of view only. MCX to get accessioning contract; hope to be awarded this year. Contracts in the past at Libby were sometimes lacking in well-defined deliverables.
- Kelly. Pictograph site interpretation, working toward FY21 contract, still in conversation with Tribe. Tribe wants creative mitigation, but has not offered specifics that can be put into a statement of work. Cooperating group at Libby struggles with long term planning.

## **Other Meeting Logistics**

## Sept CRSC Mtg location?

- 2-3 September 2020, location TBA; but likely conference call
- Decisions
  - Wednesday September 2, 2020-, meeting will be a webinar/conference call

#### **Other Issues**

WISAARD. Derek, Jen, and Aaron were to prepare a draft white paper on WISAARD regarding
agency concerns about DRAFT data being available online. No deadline set, and the paper has
since been postponed as WISAARD is continuing to develop its own set of instructions and
guidance. Workaround is to only upload FINAL data into WISAARD. More to come on this as
needed.

## **Action Items from This Meeting**

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schedule of notetaking responsibilities in FY21	
MF will send final MCX curation report when	
available	
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count TCPs	
Program Managers will incorporate changes to	
the FY20 Annual Report Instructions, then get	
out to the group by July 15, 2020	
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