



FCRPS Cultural Resources Sub-Committee FY25 Summer Quarterly Meeting Notes

Date: June 4 and June 5, 2025

Time: June 4, 2025 - 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. PT/9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. MT

Place: Davenport Grand Hotel, 333 West Spokane Falls Blvd, Spokane, WA 99201

Attendees

Participant Name	6/4	6/5	Affiliation
Sean Hess (SCH)	x	x	Reclamation
Michael Flowers (MF)	x	x	USACE – NWD
Leslie Crippen (LC)	x	x	USACE – NWP
Collin Ray (CR)			USACE – NWS
Sarah MacIntosh (SM)	x	x	USACE – NWS
Derek Beery (DB)	x	x	USACE – NWS
Sydney Kerkhove-Peltier (SKP)	x	x	USACE – NWS
Jacques Kerkhove-Peltier (JKP)	x	x	USACE - NWS
Scott Hall (SMH)	x	x	USACE – NWW
Jennifer Knight (JK)	x	x	USACE – NWW
Leah Bonstead (LB)	x	x	USACE – NWW
Brett Ferguson	x	x	USACE – NWW (Guest)
Anna Neuzil (AN)	x	x	BPA
Celia Morét Crockett (CMC)	x	x	BPA
Kelly Phillips (KP)	x	x	BPA
Michelle Stegner (MS)	x	x	BPA
Jasmine Castro (JC)	x	x	BPA

Introductions & General Announcements

General Updates – Staffing, major policy changes affecting the program, etc.

- **BPA** – Still affected by travel restrictions and hiring freeze. Travel is approved for PMs and Notetaker. AN will likely be able to travel for SWPA-related meetings. Some detail positions have been approved which led to reshuffling in EH. FCRPS staffing remains unaffected by that.
- **BOR** – Still affected by travel restrictions and staffing shortages. There are a total of seven Archaeologists throughout the region (Snake River, Grand Coulee Power Office, Columbia Cascades). The Columbia Pacific Northwest Region is reviewing the entire workload for FY25 and FY26 to help inform which high priority projects to move forward. There haven't been any major policy changes directly affecting the Program. Reclamation no longer has a Public Affairs staff, they are now centralized in the Department of the Interior. SCH announced that he will be leaving Reclamation, his last day is June 27, 2025.



- NWW – They are affected by hiring freezes but can have internships. PMs have also been approved to travel for meetings. JK will be on maternity leave from July to October.
- NWS – No staffing changes. Funding issues due to continuing resolutions continue to impact business lines throughout the district.
- NWP – The Dalles and John Day projects are down to one ranger. Sylvia Gentilcore is the acting NRM at John Day following Tim Darland's departure.

Meeting Notes Status

Review and approval of past CRSC meeting notes

FY25 Spring March 5-6, 2025 – Approved

FY25/FY26 Performance Indicators

Changes for FY25 Performance Indicators

Corps & BPA (2 NRHP Eligible Properties) – On track to complete the final milestone.

Reclamation & BPA (2 Mitigation Projects) – The first interim milestone was changed to green.

Reclamation & BPA (Program Planning and Execution) – The second interim milestone was changed to green.

Proposed Changes for FY26 Performance Indicators

3Ps have discussed adjusting the FY26 Performance Indicators due to staffing challenges and heavy workloads for PMs. Another issue has been the budget; there have been work increase costs from COVID and supply shortages.

SWPA Renewal Process

5-Year SWPA Review – The 5-Year Review was sent out for review and comments were received from CCT, CTUIR, and the ACHP. The 3Ps are meeting with ACHP on June 18, 2025, to address their letter. The 3Ps are working on a Comment Matrix that summarizes comments received from consulting parties. Before that matrix is finalized, the 3Ps will meet with CTUIR who requested a meeting to discuss their specific comments.

SWPA Renewal Process – SCH explained that Reclamation won't be able to participate as much as they would like in the SWPA renewal process. They estimated the efforts to be 40% BPA, 40% USACE, and 20% Reclamation. This means SCH will not attend all SWPA meetings. To help structure this process, the 3Ps have been working on an MOU that will solidify and outline LFA roles and responsibilities.

Progress of Triangle's Interviews with Stakeholders – Triangle Associates is in the process of doing interviews as part of the SWPA Renewal and may do a few more. Triangle will begin drafting the Situational Assessment soon. 3Ps will be reaching out to Shoalwater Bay and Chehalis Indian Tribe to ask if they would like to participate in the SWPA Renewal process. AN recently began the process of reaching out to seven other Tribes. All potential consulting parties will receive formal consultation letters.

FCRPS Executive Briefing – At the FCRPS Executive Briefing, the 3Ps will cover the SWPA Renewal Kick-Off, the MOU SCH mentioned earlier, Performance Indicators and Long-term Goals, challenges with budget, and HPMP/PSPAs.



- Executive Briefing – June 25, 2025
- Invitation letter – No later than August 1, 2025
- SWPA Kick-Off Meeting – October 30, 2025

Miscellaneous Topics

FY26 Meeting Dates – AN requested the PMs to review the proposed FY26 Calendar and to provide any feedback/conflicts.

Action Item – PMs to review FY26 Proposed dates and provide feedback to AN by June 18, 2025.

SHPO and WISAARD Discussions – There were previous discussions about agency staff concerns with the new Washington data sharing agreements. These concerns were sent to Tyler at DAHP and AN has not received a response yet. AN will cc MF and SCH. Regarding WISAARD issues, the previous person who assisted with the WISAARD DAHP issues left their position. Zachary is the new person who will help them with this process. Another issue was information being submitted and getting rejected. AN brought up that when some of these issues were previously discussed in CG meetings with DAHP, DAHP suggested that changes to WISAARD could be made more quickly if funding was provided to make those changes. If PMs have any other SHPO concerns let the 3Ps know.

Status of the Five-Year Summary Document – CMC has drafted this and sent it out to the writer/ editor on June 4, 2025. CRSC will be able to review it around the end of June with a two-week turnaround, then it will go to the BPA Graphics team to polish the formatting/graphics. The goal is to print it through BPAs Media Services by August 1, 2025 to be shared as a handout for the SWPA Kick-Off Meeting in October. CMC shared the tables (acres surveyed for historic properties, newly identified archeological and historic sites, and TCP reports produced) with the Group. SCH said these will be useful for them to share with JOC leadership meetings. The visuals help show the increased focus on evaluating and treating for adverse effects to TCPs and historic properties through the FYs. SM suggested the same categories for the tables but with two different charts- one that shows the amount of funding that goes into each category.

Feedback for CRSC meeting format – SCH asked the Group if there was any feedback on the formatting of the two half day (WebEx) CRSC meetings. KP said she would prefer if there was an agenda topic for CG Round Robin or at least an allotted time to be able to ask questions about the emailed Round Robin bullet points.

Day 2: Thursday, June 5, 2025

Status of PSPA & Stand-Alone Historic Property Management Plans

Hungry Horse PSPA – They are still working on getting the CSKT's signature. The final draft of the proposed amendment needs legal policy review.

LR PSPA – Previously, consulting parties were reluctant to sign the LR PSPA unless the NPS PSPA happens at the same time. Once the consulting parties realized the scope of the NPS PSPA, they were okay with separating the two and no longer require the LR PSPA to be contingent on the NPS PSPA. There were also some issues about private property owners and determinations of eligibility info which they discussed with DAHP.



John Day CRMP – In progress, the technical review was completed May 28, 2025. They are working on correcting the appendices. The deadline is FY25, but it might be extended to FY26.

Bonneville – They have not started the process for Bonneville but PMs believe this will be completed by the FY27 deadline.

Albeni HPMP – They began updating the HPMP but had to put it on pause due to contracting needs that were time sensitive. The plan is to discuss the revised HPMP schedule with the Group at the Albeni FY26 Quarterly Meeting in November.

Chief Joseph HPMP – There is an HPMP in place and it is running smoothly.

Libby – There is PSPA and HPMP in place and it should be reviewed at some point but there are no current actions at this time.

Dworshak HPMP – Out for a formal draft 60-day review. The PMs received some comments back and they are working on going through and adding those edits. The goal is to have the final version out before the end of the FY.

McNary – They are trying to finalize McNary Standalone HPMP. The PMs only sent out the revised chapters for a 60-day review (July 29, 2025 deadline). The goal is to complete this HPMP by the end of the FY, but it will depend on the edits received.

FY23 Meeting Schedule

Date	Meeting Name	Location
December 4-5, 2024	Winter CRSC	Portland (BPA HQ)
March 5-6, 2025	Spring CRSC	Walla Walla (NWW HQ; Castle Room)
June 4-5, 2025	Summer CRSC	Moved to WebEx
September 10-11, 2025	Fall CRSC	Spokane Tribe Casino

Action Items

Updates from June 2025 made in blue.

Item	Assigned to	Status
BPA PMs to update FCRPS Geodatabase with consensus determinations + DOE of the keeper+ listing of the NR of eligibility since CRSO Effort. BPA has quarterly check-ins with Patrick (BPA GIS Specialist)	BPA	They have quarterly meetings with Patrick. Ongoing effort. Add to Parking Lot.
MF will forward the new DAHP data sharing agreement to Jen Richman and Evan Carden to find out the implications for USACE. MF will loop in DB and Chiara McGowan. 3Ps to send the new DAHP agreement to	MF, SMH	MF sent to Jen and Evan. This will be removed from list. BPA is taking the lead on this. Ongoing



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their agency's attorneys. (AN completed)		
PMs to provide any feedback on the "Treatment List Guidance" document to AN. PMs to also submit updated Treatment list to AN by 3/21/25	PMs	This will be done annually. Complete
CMC to create the 5-year summary by the summer CRSC meeting.		Next steps: editor, CRSC review 2 weeks, BPA graphics, then PAO review Complete
SCH to bring up district discussions with STI at next GC Spokane Arm mtg.	MS	Next GC Spokane Arm Mtg. MS will take the lead. Ongoing
3Ps to discuss next steps on the new inventory approach on private land/ clarify talking points for CGs.	3Ps	Complete
Group to provide DB with rock image work needs over the next few years by 1st week of June 2025.	Group	DB completed but if there is more rock image work send to SKP. Complete
Mike, Anna, Kelly to brief Leslie on Program history.	MF, AN, KP, LC	Complete
PMs to review FY26 Proposed dates and provide feedback to Anna by June 18 th .	PMs	Due 6/18/25

Parking Lot Action Items

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(RE: NR determinations of eligibility) SCH, MS, and AN to discuss how DOEs are tracked for LR.	SCH, MS, AN	Pending new GCPO Archeologist. Check in Spring FY26 CRSC.



List of Acronyms

3Ps	Program Managers
ACHP	Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
AIRFA	American Indian Religious Freedom Act
APE	Area of potential effects
ARPA	Archaeological Resources Protection Act
BIA	Bureau of Indian Affairs
BPA	Bonneville Power Administration
CCT	Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation
CDA	Coeur d'Alene Tribe
CG	Cooperating Group
CFS	Cubic feet per second
COR	Contracting Officer Representative
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CR	Continuing Resolution
CRM	Cultural Resource Management
CRSC	Cultural Resources Subcommittee
CRSO EIS	Columbia River System Operations Environmental Impact Statement
CRITPDF	Columbia River Inter-Tribal Police Department
CSKT	Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation
CTUIR	Confederated Tribe of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
CTWSRO	Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon
DAHP	Washington State Department of Archeology and Historic Preservation
DFA	Direct Funding Agreement
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
DWA	Dworshak
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration
FACA	Federal Advisory Committee Act
FAR	Federal Acquisition Regulations
FCRPS	Federal Columbia River Power System
FY	Fiscal year
GC	Grand Coulee
GCD	Grand Coulee Dam
GCM	Grand Coulee Mainstem Group
GCS	Grand Coulee Spokane Arm Group
GCPO	Grand Coulee Power Office
GPR	Ground-Penetrating Radar
FNF	Flathead National Forest
GIS	Geographic information system
HH	Hungry Horse Cooperating Group
HHRD	Historic Human Remains Detection
HPMP	Historic Properties Management Plan
HPRCISIT	Historic Properties of Religious and Cultural Significance to Indian Tribes
ICRIS	Idaho Cultural Resource Information System
IDFG	Idaho Department of Fish and Game
IDIQ	Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity
IDL	Idaho Department of Lands



IDU	Intertie Development and Use
IDUPA	Intertie Development and use Programmatic Agreement
IPAC	Intra-Governmental Payment and Collection
IPNF	Idaho Panhandle National Forest
JOC	Joint Operating Committee
Kalispel	Kalispel Tribe of Indians
KNF	Kootenai National Forest
Kootenai	Kootenai Tribe of Idaho
LFA	Lead Federal Agency
LJAD	Libby Jennings Archeological District
MOA	Memorandum of Agreement
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NAGPRA	Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NHPA	National Historic Preservation Act
NPS	National Park Service
NPT	Nez Perce Tribe
NRHP	National Register of Historic Places
NRM	Natural Resource Management
NWAC	Northwest Anthropological Conference
NWD	USACE Northwestern Division
NWS	USACE Seattle District
NWW	USACE Walla Walla District
NWP	USACE Portland District
O&M	Operation and Maintenance Program
PA	Programmatic Agreement
PKC	Payos Kuus Cuukwe Cooperating Group
PM	Project Manager
PSPA	Project-specific Programmatic Agreement
PSU	Portland State University
Reclamation	U.S. Bureau of Reclamation
RWLAD	Rufus Woods Lake Archeological District
RM	River mile
ROD	Record of Decision
SHPO	State Historic Preservation Office (or Officer)
SOR	System Operation Review
STI	Spokane Tribe of Indians
SWPA	Systemwide Programmatic Agreement
SWRD	Systemwide Research Design
TCP	Traditional cultural property
THPO	Tribal Historic Preservation Office (or Officer)
UCUT	Upper Columbia United Tribes
USACE	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
USFS	U.S. Forest Service
WA DNR	Washington State Department of Natural Resources
WDFW	Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
WPKK	Wana Pa Koot Koot Cooperating Group



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Workshop

Yakama Nation

Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation

Color Key

Yellow – Action Items

Green – Consensus Decisions

Blue – Future Agenda Topics