

FCRPS Cultural Resources Sub-Committee
Quarterly Meeting

DATE: September 21-22, 2011

TIME: Sept 21 9:00AM - 4:00 PM
Sept 22 9:00AM - Noon

PLACE: McMenamins Edgefield
2126 SW Halsey
Troutdale, OR 97060

AGENDA

September 21 9:00AM – 4:00 PM

- ❖ Agency Staffing Updates
- ❖ Program Goals & Measures
 - Review Schedule & Assignments for FY12 (Kristen, Gail, Sean)
 - Customer Satisfaction Survey Questions (Group)
- ❖ FY11 Performance Indicators - Closeout (Kristen, Gail, Sean)
FY12 Performance Indicators - Review Draft (Group)
- ❖ Systemwide Research Design Subcommittee (Lawr & Eric)
 - Discuss final draft, October distribution , Review process, Funding
- ❖ TCP Subcommittee Mtg. August 31 – Summary (Gail)
 - ACHP Forum on Traditional Cultural Landscapes
- ❖ FCRPS Program Brochure and Webpage (Kristen)

September 22 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

- ❖ FY 2011 Annual Report Schedule (Kristen)
- ❖ Status of HPMP Updates and Project PAs (Group)
- ❖ Agency Executive Briefing – Oct 24 (Kristen, Gail, Sean)
- ❖ Cooperating Group Issues
- ❖ Schedule FY12 CRSC Meetings
- ❖ Review & Update Action Items (Nicole & Group)

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Attendees

Gail Celmer	USACE – Northwestern Division
Lyz Ellis	USACE – Seattle District
Alice Roberts	USACE – Walla Walla District
Lawr Salo	USACE – Seattle District
Kristen Martine	Bonneville Power Administration
Eric Petersen	Bonneville Power Administration
Katherine Pollock	Bonneville Power Administration
Nicole Thompson	Bonneville Power Administration
Sean Hess	Bureau of Reclamation

Handouts

FY12 Program Goals & Measures
FY11/FY12 Performance Indicators
TCP Subcommittee meeting draft notes
Draft FCRPS brochure
EthnoTech LLC contract deliverables

Agency Staffing Updates

BPA will be hiring two new contractors to support the Program. Corps district staff reported on vacancies. Portland district is anticipating a new Wana Pa Koot Koot project manager to be hired by December. Bureau of Reclamation has advertised the Power Office Archeologist position and review of applicants is progressing. Selection of a candidate is anticipated by the end of November 2011.

Program Goals & Measures

The group reviewed FY12 goals and measures. The discussion focused on APEs, indirect effects and meeting the Systemwide Programmatic Agreement. Program Managers discussed counting brochures, signs, and interpretive plans as mitigation beyond just stabilization projects. The group discussed how the project managers will need to document and track mitigation as it applies to a specific site(s). Customer satisfaction surveys will be developed by the end of fiscal year 2012 and implemented in 2013.

FY11 Performance Indicators

The remaining FY11 final milestone is APE definitions for nine Corps dams/reservoirs transmitted to consulting parties by September 30, 2011. If completed, agencies will meet all FY11 Performance Indicators.

FY12 Performance Indicators

The group reviewed two new performance indicators for FY12 (inventory plans for Corps Projects and APE development for Grand Coulee Mainstem) and confirmed program planning and execution goals will remain the same as FY11 for all agencies.

FY12 Budget Update

Program Managers reviewed a budget spreadsheet that reflects budgets proposed during the Rate Case. Stabilization project planning is reflected in increases during alternating years. The Corps emphasized the importance of early obligation of funds, due to the possibility that Congress could reduce budgets during the fiscal year. The Corps discussed appropriations and monthly billing budget issues. Managers expressed concern for future years funding amounts due to the current economic issues.

Systemwide Research Design Subcommittee

Project managers reported on progress of compiling Systemwide Research Design. The group discussed internal review, distribution to consulting parties and deadlines for revising the distributed draft. Discussion stressed SWRD as a living guidance document. The draft is on schedule to meet October 6, 2011 deadline.

TCP Subcommittee Meeting

The TCP subcommittee meet on August 31, 2011 in Spokane, facilitated by Corps of Engineers tribal liaison Paul Cloutier. The meeting was well attended and full FCRPS Program representation. The group reviewed draft notes from meeting and discussed the example TCP inventory form. Next step will be for subcommittee members to take the TCP form example back to cooperating groups to discuss. No follow up subcommittee meeting was scheduled.

FCRPS Program Brochure

BPA distributed draft Program brochures and hardcopies of an Access database developed by contractor, Ethnotech LLC. The group reviewed products. BPA's next step will be to have graphics team review brochure for design consistency.

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Draft FCRPS webpage

FCRPS Program Webpage

BPA reviewed new format for FCRPS Cultural Resource Program webpage on BPA.GOV website. Group agreed with the new format. BPA anticipates the site going live by the end of the calendar year. Phase two will include information on cooperating groups and Program resources for the public.

FY2011 Annual Report Schedule

Group will follow format used in FY2010 Annual Report. Acreage numbers will change due to recently completed APEs. The group set revision schedule to meet March 31, 2012 deadline.

Status of HPMP Updates and Project Specific PAs

Group members reported on progress of revisions to HPMPs, comparing to SWPA language, and drafting of project specific programmatic agreements.

Agency Executive Briefing

The next Agencies' Executives briefing will be October 24. Program managers have been tasked with drafting a three agency agreement that documents the new funding commitment (memo to the file). The three-agency funding agreement will be in addition to inter-agency agreements and will include language addressing fenced-funds. Managers will follow up with the executives on next step to non-action by WA DAHP over SWPA signature and implementation in Washington State. Project managers offered issues for the Program managers to take to the agency executives.

FY12 Meeting Schedule

Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, 2011 – Union, WA
Feb. 28-29, 2012 – Boise, ID
June 13-14, 2012 – Bend, OR
Sept. 19-20, 2012 – Troutdale, OR