

TWG Chairman Report 3/2-3/2005

'05 BUDGET

1. GCMRC proposed changes to the '05 budget
2. Reaction of the TWG to the proposal (TWG conference call)

'06 BUDGET

1. Review AMWG charge regarding the '06 draft budget (AMWG priorities)
2. AMWG agreement regarding the budget cycle as recommended by TWG/bahg
3. Original timeline for TWG review of the '06 – '07 draft budget
 - a. Rationale for altering 2yr budget to a one year budget
4. Timeline for TWG review of '06 draft budget
5. Review strategy for '06 draft budget
 - a. Strategic/high level review to ensure that basic AMWG priorities met
 - b. Detailed review not possible and not appropriate due to AMWG direction
 - c. Bahg developed a set of questions to facilitate AMWG evaluation
 - d. Proportion of budget devoted to AMWG priority areas (6)
 - e. Specific projects identified for each AMWG priority area
 - f. MO/INs addressed in each project as well as MO/INs not addressed
6. Proposed timeline for completion of the '06 budget
7. Major features
 - a. Nothing identified in the '06 budget for high flow testing
 - b. GCMRC overhead accounting changed
 - c. GCMRC administrative costs allocated to individual projects
 - d. GCMRC cultural program increased to address AMWG priorities

'07 – '08 BUDGET CYCLE

1. Expect to initiate process approved by AMWG in July '05
2. Expecting the use of key foundation documents, including CMP and RMP and LTEP
3. Without key documents, TWG will be forced into another transition budget year

PROGRAM/BUDGET PLANNING DOCUMENTS

1. Planning docs essential to formulate future budgets
2. AMWG agreed to a timeframe for completion (see Activity Schedule)
3. GCMRC will provide an update to the activity schedule
4. These docs were to be completed or in draft form before initiation of the '07-'08 budget cycle

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3/3/2005

TWG met 2/2-3/2005 and a conference call on 2/25/2005

- to review the '06 draft budget
- Proposal to complete the HCB Comprehensive Plan
- HBC Genetics Management Plan
- Updates on ongoing GCMRC projects and plans
- '05 budget updates
- '04 budget close out

1. Review of the '06 draft budget

- TWG review tomorrow
- High level review to ensure that AMWG priorities met
- TWG will work closely with GCMRC to develop a final '06 budget recommendation

2. GCT proposal to complete the HBC Comprehensive Plan

- TWG reviewed proposal (which will be presented tomorrow)
- Plan completion is beneficial (a motion presented to that regard)

3. Completion of the HBC Genetics Management Plan

- GMP integral to implementing the HBC Comprehensive Plan
- UCRIP completion of the plan has languished due to other priorities
- AMP may need to explore other options to complete the plan

4. GCMRC planning docs (CMP, LTEP, Research Plan, Strategic Science Plan)

- TWG worked with GCMRC on CMP, LTEP
 - CMP
 - CMP draft issued on 9/24/2004
 - Feedback to GCMRC by CMP *ad hoc* and TWG
 - One day meeting on 2/1/2005 to review input
 - Revised completion schedule developed (presented later today)
 - TWG looks forward to working with GCMRC for completion of CMP

- LTEP
 - LTEP ad hoc met 9/14 and 12/8
 - Initial criteria for knowledge assessment
 - Initial assessment strawman
 - Conceptual experimental design completed by LTEP and passed to GCMRC
 - Steps for LTEP completion completed by ad hoc

- Strategic Science Plan (important to integrate all science efforts)
 - 10/22/2004 draft SSP released; presented to AMWG at Oct meeting
 - TWG comments requested

- Research Plan
 - RP and CMP are foundation for future budgets
 - No interaction w/ TWG on this plan as yet but

- GCMRC will update plan completion schedules today
 - New schedules incorporated into a revised AMP Activity Schedule

5. Integrate planning documents into next budget cycle

- Planning docs not available for '06 there is concern they won't be available in July (start of new budget cycle)
- TWG will report on progress in July

6. Proposed '05 budget changes

- Conceptually, the proposal to utilize new found funds for '05 RS proposal may be sound (will allow comprehensive high flow test resource evaluation)
- Trade offs, however, were not clear in GCMRC proposal (what high priority items were originally left out of '05 that could be now funded)
- TWG will work with GCMRC to evaluate these tradeoffs

7. '04 budget close out

- Information brought to TWG meeting with insufficient time to evaluate in conjunction with '06 draft
- TWG intends to review closeout (recommendation to AMWG in July)