

Notes from:

Selenium Management Program - Work Group/Subcommittee Meetings

April 15, 2010 – Delta, Colorado

Status reports, decisions made and assignments are displayed under the appropriate group or subcommittee. Responsible parties are identified in bold red print.

Attendees: see attached sign-in sheet

SMP Work Group

Status/Decisions made:

1. A draft mission statement for the SMP Work Group was discussed. This lengthy discussion brought to light a need for agreement on the products to be developed and what those products include.
2. A SMP Management Committee meeting has been scheduled for May 13th in Montrose.

Assignments:

1. **Mike** will work with Sonja, Dave Kanzer and others to better define the objectives and products the Work Group is expected to develop.
2. **Mike** will develop a draft agenda for the May MC meeting and circulate it for comment/input.

MOU Subcommittee

Status/Decisions made:

1. No changes have been made since the March 8 draft.
2. NRCS explained the process they were going through to be able to sign the MOU. We are still awaiting River District comments.

Assignments:

1. **All parties** - Any further comments should be provided to Steve McCall ASAP.

Stakeholder/Citizen Participation (S/CP) Subcommittee

Status/Decisions made:

1. The Subcommittee formulated a plan to contact the critical, currently non-involved entities and open communication lines.

Assignments:

1. **Marc Catlin** agreed to contact the following entities concerning the need to have them participate in this process. This will be done in advance of the May 13th Management Committee meeting, so he can invite them to the meeting.
 - a. Montrose and Delta county commissioners and city managers from Montrose, Delta, and Olathe.
 - b. Tri-County, Project 7 and Shavano Conservation District
2. **USB** (Mike & Steve) will check on contacting Bostwick Park irrigation company and look into briefing the Congressional reps.

Meeting Schedule (all meetings will be held in Delta unless otherwise noted; meeting room locations may vary; please be sure to check the agenda. Please notify Mike well in advance if you wish to participate by conference phone.)

1. May 19 at NRCS Delta office

Outstanding/incomplete assignments:

1. **Barb** will develop a short write-up of the procedures and responsibilities for fish tissue sampling.
2. **Mike** will arrange a Dell Smith presentation on an environmentally acceptable form of PAM.
3. The **S&R subcommittee** will discuss the potential for use of the True Green Organics technology. The STF will also discuss its use for remediating Sweitzer Lake.
4. **Sonja** will work with the USBR to estimate selenium reductions due to piping and lining projects.
5. **Lenny** will provide a copy of an NRCS study of seepage from ponds.
6. The **S&R Subcommittee** will gather presentation materials for decision makers on the new higher selenium loads in Montrose Arroyo.
7. **Mike** will recommend funding of several study activities to Reclamation management.
8. **Lenny** will look at the use of NRCS's Monitoring & Evaluation (M&E) funding to document selenium reductions from on-farm improvements.
9. **Sonja** will contact Mike Berry about initiating a Lower Gunnison Basin Wise Water Use Council.
10. **Sonja** will continue development of the Frequently Asked Questions.

Selenium Management Program Work Group Meeting
April 15th, 2010 (10:30am to 3pm)
USDA Service Center, NRCS Conference Rm, 690 Industrial Blvd, Delta

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