

The Middle Snake River Watershed Advisory Group

Meeting Minutes

319 South 417 East, Jerome, Idaho

Wednesday, August 11, 2010

Time: 7:00 PM

Attendees:

Mike Trabert – City of Twin Falls
Brian Hoelscher – Idaho Power
Andy Morton – Clear Springs Foods
Sue Switzer – DEQ-TFRO
Jordan Tollefson – ISCC

I. Welcome and Introductions

Mike Trabert, WAG chairman, called the meeting to order and everyone was welcomed.

The minutes for the previous meeting on July 20, 2010, were reviewed and approved as written.

II. Vice-Chairman

Mike said there was a need to elect a vice-chairman to conduct the meetings when he is unable to attend, and Larry Pennington has agreed to fill the position if elected. Andy thought Jeff Williams was elected and is now vice-chairman. Additionally, a quorum would be needed to elect a vice-chairman. At this time, Sue will contact Jeff Williams and the WAG will identify and update the list of voting members.

III. WAG meeting schedule

We would like to have a regularly scheduled meeting time. It was agreed to have the meetings on the third Wednesday of the month coordinated with the TAC meetings. The TAC meetings will be scheduled from 3:00 to 5:00 pm and the WAG will be 6:00 to 8:00 pm. The next meeting will be September 15.

IV: Up coming issues

Pollutant Trading Guidance Document, 2010 Integrated Report, Temperature TMDL, and changes to the PNV TMDL were discussed as upcoming issues for the WAG. Much of the discussion was concerning the Temperature TMDL for the

tributaries and not including the main stem. Concern was brought up that data has not been called for, and Sonny has not divulged information on the temperature TMDL to the WAG so they can review it and make recommendations to DEQ. The WAG should be able comment throughout the development of the TMDL and not just given final review.

V. DEQ Update

The list of TAC members was reviewed and corrections and suggestions were made to update the list. We will send out a postcard with a list of meeting dates and times for the next six months and ask if they still have interest in the WAG. Additionally, if they are voting members of the WAG and are not interested, do they know of anyone in their organization who might be interested in representing the organization on the WAG?

The meeting concluded at 8:00 pm.



WAG Chairman

9/15/10
Date