

2010 CRB Advisory Committee Meeting

February 23, 2010

Committee Members in Attendance

Tim Dillon – North Idaho Grower – Chairman
 Patti Gora-McRavin – environmental group – central Idaho
 Courtney Washburn – environmental group – south Idaho
 Pat Martin – environmental group – north Idaho
 Dale Stephenson – Health profession
 Andrea Boyer – Nez Perce Tribe
 Lester Higgins – Coeur d’Alene Tribe
 Kevin Greenleaf – Kootenai Tribe of Idaho
 George Robinson – Idaho State Department of Agriculture
 Mike McGown – U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10
 Robert Wilkosz – Idaho Department of Environmental Quality
 Benjamin Kelly – substitute for Nathan Riggers – central Idaho grower

Committee members absent

Matt Gellings –eastern Idaho grower
 David Patrick – south central Idaho grower

Other DEQ staff participating

Toni Hardesty – Director
 Curt Fransen – Deputy Director
 Mary Anderson – smoke management coordinator

Tenure of Committee Members

Ends March 1, 2011	Ends March 1, 2012
Andre Boyer – Nez Perce Tribe	Lester Higgins – Coeur d’Alene Tribe
Patti Gora-McRavin – environmental group	Kevin Greenleaf – Kootenai Tribe of Idaho
Pat Martin – environmental group	Courtney Washburn – environmental group
Matt Gellins – eastern Idaho grower	Dale Stephenson – Health professional
Nathan Riggers – central Idaho grower	Tim Dillon – north Idaho grower
George Robinson - ISDA	David Patrick – South central Idaho grower
	Mike McGown – EPA Region 10
	Robert Wilkosz – IDEQ

Chairman

No chairman was elected for next meeting because not enough growers were present.

DEQ Recommendations presented to Committee

- Delineate Treasure Valley management area for CRB
- Develop guidelines for growers for roadway safety
- Develop best management practices for burning
- Require growers to pass test for grower training
- Consolidate CRB permit and IDL burn permit
- Staff need not be present for blanching (propane flaming) within 3 miles of an institution with sensitive population

Final Recommendations to DEQ from Advisory Committee

- Develop a protocol for allowing institutions to request “institutions with sensitive populations” status.
- Develop a streamlined process for addressing harrow piles and spot burns, possibly by implementing a separate permit by rule (will require rulemaking and SIP revision).
- Include a better summary of outreach results from contacts with institutions with sensitive populations in the annual report.
- Move an air quality monitor to Garwood School on the Rathdrum Prairie. This is a relocation of the Rathdrum monitor not a new monitor..
- Develop a process for better documenting the post burn analysis (meteorological conditions).
- Develop a guideline for growers for public roadway safety.
- Consider grading system for grower training requirement instead of focusing on training and test once every five years – modify training requirement to mimic ISDA pesticide applicator training requirements.
- Staff need not be present for blanching (propane flaming) within 3 miles of an institution with sensitive population.
- Develop best management practices for burning.
- Delineate the treasure valley airshed for managing CRB burning – related to ozone.