

MID-SNAKE WATERSHED ADVISORY GROUP MEETING

Idaho Department of Environmental Quality
650 Addison Avenue West, Suite 110, Twin Falls, Idaho

Tuesday, July 11, 2017
Time: 2:00 p.m.

AGENDA:

- I. Welcome and Introductions2:00
Mike Trabert, WAG Chairman

- II. Business2:05
Mike Trabert, WAG Chairman
 - 1. Review of minutes for last two WAG meetings (still being compiled by DEQ)
 - 2. WAG letter to DEQ about TMDL revision
 - 3. WAG letter to Upper Snake BAG on accepting Dan Suhr representing Middle Snake Water Resources Commission
 - 4. Letters from Water Resource Commission to DEQ and EPA
 - 5. Follow up on DEQ's position on TMDL revision

- III. A Discussion about Nuisance Aquatic Plant Growth2:25
Sonny Buhidar, DEQ
 - 1. Video: "Action on the River"
 - 2. A Manager's Definition of Aquatic Plant Control (M.D. Netherland & J.D. Schardt)
 - 3. Defining nuisance - Chlorophyll-a as an indicator of nuisance

- IV. Exploring the Extent of Opening the TMDL as Components to Review2:55
Sonny Buhidar, DEQ
 - 1. Flow and seasonality
 - 2. TP as a limiting nutrient
 - 3. TSS values are < 25 mg/L except during high stormwater events & spring flush. Should delisting be considered?
 - 4. E. coli values are < 125 cfu/100 mL (geometric mean) except during high stormwater events & spring flush. Should delisting be considered?
 - 5. Other parameters & issues

- V. Exploring the Scope of the Flow Data.....3:15
Sonny Buhidar, DEQ
 - 1. IPC – Exploring the low flow scenario
 - 2. USGS – Staff assigned to assist DEQ with flow

3. Tributary flow information
 4. Spring flows & eastern Snake River aquifer discharge into mid Snake River
- VI. Version 14 Database 3:40
Sonny Buhidar, DEQ
1. Point sources
 2. Nonpoint sources
 3. BLM & USFS
 4. IDL – state lands
 5. ISWCC – private lands
- VII. Adjourn 4:00
Mike Trabert, WAG Chairman

Next Meeting: August 08, 2017