

Coeur d'Alene Lake Tributaries Watershed Advisory Group
Monday, December 7, 2011
U.S. Forest Service
Coeur d'Alene River Ranger District Office, Room B
2502 E. Sherman Ave. (near Fernan Lake)

Next Meeting: January 11th 2-4 pm

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Participants: Jace Brooks, Terry Harris, Gordon Sanders, Bob Clark, Miles Benker, Becki Witherow, Glen Rothrock, Rusty Shepard, Rebecca Stevens, Bob Steed, Kristin Keith, KK Prussian, Kristie McEnroe, Larry Mundt, David Fortier, Jason Brooks, Diane Partridge, Bill Rust

Meeting Summary

IDEO updates

The Temperature TMDL is now up for comment. All comments are due at the end of the month. Bob and Kristin have started the Fernan Lake TMDL. They went out on the lake and took over 1000 reference points to create a bathymetry map. Fernan Lake has a history of blue green algae blooms,

Implementation Plan

Kristin and Bob reviewed the implementation plan. The implementation plan is very detailed with regards to BMP, but it does not list locations within the watersheds the BMPs should be implemented. When reviewing the document they found it hard to determine which of the recommendations by various agencies were put into action and which were just recommended. There was general agreement that the implementation plan should not be re-written, rather an addendum would be written.

There was discussion about the need to list projects that have been done in each watershed to understand whether it may be an opportunity to conduct implementation monitoring to see if the water quality has improved and beneficial uses are supported. There was also discussion about the need to look at each watershed and get a list of priority areas for restoration projects and BMP implementation. The group agreed that they would begin by starting with Wolf Lodge Creek at the next meeting.

