

Boise-Mores Creek Watershed Advisory Group Meeting
March 15th, 2007

In Attendance:

Julia Achabal	- DEQ
Bruce Baumhoff	- Concerned Landowner
Oscar Baumhoff	- Mining Interest/Rancher/Concerned Landowner
Terry Day	- Local Government
Paul Drury	- Irrigation/Water Rights
Russ Hicks	- USFS Mineral Resource Specialist
Lynda Kuwahara	- Medical Provider/Concerned Landowner
Russ Manwaring	- West Central Highlands Resource Conservation District
Lauri Monnot	- DEQ
Mark Rice	- Concerned Landowner
John Roberts	- Idaho Department of Lands
Pam Smolczynski	- Trout Unlimited, Water Based Recreation
Hana West	- USFS, Hydrologist

Review February Meeting Notes

➤ **MOTION:** Minutes approved by Oscar, 2nd by Lynda, all agreed.

Website/communication

WAG prefers not to have members listed on the webpage
Prefers to be group emailed of changes/additions to the web page vs. have auto updates from the webpage

Shade PNV TMDL Comments and Clarifications

- EPA considering need to develop shade curves specific to this subbasin. DEQ to meet with EPA regarding this issue and their comments on the PNV TMDL. Lauri will update the group after the meeting.
- Lauri will get shade PVG details from Hana and give it to EPA
- May be less confusing to present data by AU instead of stream names. Water bodies are now listed by assessment unit and stream names and AU's associated.
- Response to clarification that John Robert's best answer is that implementation is voluntary
- Clarification- Mores Creek decrease 2% is 2% of 2,193,914, this is why it looks alarming, then insignificant
- Comments on new table to compare solar loads and reductions needed.
 - Make table headings more descriptive and keep the new potential summer load column
 - Right justify #'s in columns

Watershed Characterization

- **Lauri presented data/maps to be included in the Watershed Characteristics section of the SBA**

Comments/Suggestions from the WAG

Climate

- It may be useful to look at 20 year periods for comparison
 - Another alternative comment maybe longer average is a better true average
- Take out climate averages over the different stations
- There may be bad numbers in precipitation and snowfall
- Include in percent sunshine graphic that it is for Boise
- Add Snotel on Mores Creek to Map (use data???)
- Talk to Ronald Vetche @NRCS to get Snotel info

Subbasin Characteristics

- NRCS would give soils, erodability, K-factor, vegetation and land use maps, descriptions and write-ups for soils subbasin characteristics.
 - Al Harkness 888-1890 @ NRCS
- Russ Hick's may have contour lines coverage
- Bull Trout map is out of date – please remove!!!!
 - BPA SBA for Boise/Weiser/Payette may not have a map but there is language, F&G may have some verbage
 - CDC F&G for STE species Fisheries and Aquatic Fauna map

Cultural Characteristics

- Commerce and Labor has census data
 - Boise County Comprehensive plan from Paul Drury
 - U of I Extension Barbara Broady (extension agent for Valley county) – economic development ,

- **ACTION ITEM:** Lauri will make the changes to maps and charts that were advised by the WAG

- **ACTION ITEM:** Lauri will contact the suggested resources to get more information for the watershed characterization section.

NEXT MEETING - Postponed suggested April 19th meeting until MAY 17

Thursday, May 17th, 2007

7:00pm

Forest Service Office, Idaho City

- Agenda items: Discuss and distribute a draft of the SBA