

Recap of the October 4, 2007 -- NW-AIRQUEST Conference Call

On the call:

- Washington State University (Joe & Brian)
- Washington Department of Ecology (Clint, Sally, Sarah & Ranil)
- Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (Bruce, Rick, & Chris)
- Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (Jeff)
- Environment Canada - (Colin & Andrew)
- National Park Service - (Elizabeth)

■ Conference Call Agenda Items:

August 14 Conference Call Minutes Approval -

- Agreed the minutes from the call held August 14, 2007 were OK after correcting that Colin works for Environment Canada and Steve works for BC, sent them to WSU, and they were posted on the Web

Joint Meeting in Seattle - Discussion of EPA Workshop, NW-AIRQUEST Annual Meeting, and MM5 Meeting to be held October 22 - 25, 2007

- According to Rob Elleman, EPA Region 10 needs to know how many of us will be attending. I'm guessing it will be between 20 and 30, but please send me your agency numbers in a quick e-mail so I can respond to them with a more exact number. I'm at Christopher.Ramsdell@deq.idaho.gov.
- EPA requests everyone use PowerPoint for their presentations.
 - o They desire these work with PowerPoint 2003.
 - o If you have any animations or need to get to a live Web site, he needs to know in advance about any special software like java, quick-time, etc.
 - o Send your presentations to them prior to October 17. If you bring it with you instead, the NW-AIRQUEST Web page, jump-drive, or CD will work.
- Please go to the following Doodle URL and select your lunch for the Thursday NW-AIRQUEST meeting: <http://doodle.ch/ssyppfp5qfevcp66>
 - o All menu items are between \$10 and 13\$ and include a bottle of water. Bring cash Idaho doesn't accept credit cards or checks.
- Travel safely.

Working Group Activities -

- **Speciation Work Group** -- They met in Seattle the last week of September and had a good turnout.

- Looked at where they are, what they aim to do, and how to get support from the air directors
- Presentations were made by the different agencies represented; some of which will be done again during the NW-AIRQUEST meeting
- Conclusions: move forward with group and work on source apportionment; PMF tools will be a focus; and the timing with the NAAQS issues we are facing should catch the air directors' attention

- **Data Sharing for AIRPACT Update** -- They had their third call the last week of September.

- Looks like mobile source work will be completed first.
- Making adjustment factors (met data) for woodstove emissions

Open Forum / Project Updates -

- Brian modeling km work
 - Climate Change Work - Meet in Seattle October 5 for next phase of climate modeling
 - Toxics Study - Working with Nez Perce Tribe on their toxics monitoring to do 1-km work
 - USFS / U of I PM2.5 emissions from wildfires - Will be using AIRPACT to see how fires impact

- Bruce - Contracts - Paige has them for routing through Ecology; Cliff is concerned that nothing has come out and people will need to be shuffled amongst projects to keep their funding covered; the amendment / time extension format was used rather than new contracts to save work and time.
- Brian - A quick woodstove emissions modeling for Puget Sound is to be done
- Joe - The mobile monitoring trailer has been funded and equipment is being selected
- AIRPACT - Jen Hinds is looking at adding terrain backgrounds to some products, satellite images for NO2 have been gathered, and an AIRPACT User's Group is up and going with a survey sent to all of those that have joined.

Next Call -

- o None was set, but we can bring it up in the annual meeting.