



# FCRPS Cultural Resources Sub-Committee (CRSC)

## Quarterly Meeting

Date: June 26 and 27, 2013

Time: June 26<sup>th</sup> – 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
June 27<sup>th</sup> – 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Place: Snake River Area Office, Bureau of Reclamation  
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### FY2013 Meeting Schedule

Dec 4 – 5, 2012 – Seattle

Mar 12-13, 2013 – Troutdale

June 25-26, 2013 – Boise

Sept 18-19, 2013 – Walla Walla

*June 26<sup>th</sup>                                      9:00 am to 5:00 pm                                      Main Conference Room*

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### **Approval of March meeting notes**

March 2013 meeting notes were approved. These will be finalized and distributed, and posted on the FCRPS Cultural Resource Program website

## **Action Item review**

The group reviewed and updated the Action Item list.

## **Personnel**

New Reclamation archaeologist Derek Beery starts August 12<sup>th</sup>. Derek will be the BoR FCRPS Project Manager based out of Grand Coulee Dam.

## **FCRPS Cult. Program – Executive Briefing Highlights (Kristen, Sean, Gail)**

The group reviewed the current Performance Indicators (PI) and goals. There was discussion of tribes considering fish a cultural resource and the Indirect Effects APE. The funding issue for the Elders Dinner at the 2012 FCRPS Systemwide Conference has been resolved. The time frames for the long-term goals may need to be extended due to shortages in personnel and funding issues; the executives understood the need. The group discussed mitigation and funding issues for large stabilizations. The way BPA manages funds with the Corps and BoR are different; this will be an agenda topic for next meeting.

The three agencies sent a letter to the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation about implementing the PA in accordance with the ACHP letter. The Colville THPO will request review of PA signature by their Culture Committee and business council. *NPS and the Lewis and Clark Trail* –NPS is taking more interest in the FCRPS area because of the Lewis and Clark Trail and may want to attend Co-op Group meetings to give a presentation and gain more information on the program.

## **Program Goals & Measures**

### **Client Survey**

The client survey was conducted during three weeks in May. Of the 60 participants who received the survey, 29 responded. BPA will have the draft results from PSU by June 28<sup>th</sup> and final results at the end of July.

### **FY13 Performance Indicators**

Work to meet the PIs is on track for BoR and BPA. BoR will be relying on the new Grand Coulee archaeologist to help with PI 4. BPA contracts are proceeding well. Work to meet PIs for Corps Projects is proceeding but they will not know if they have met their 20% inventory goal until September 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **FY14 Performance Indicators**

The PI schedule was distributed for review. The contract PI will be carried over from FY13 and dates will be revised. .

The agencies discussed creating a performance indicator to define the areas that need TCP inventories. The PI would entail creating a TCP inventory plan for Corps Projects.

Hungry Horse survey was suggested as a PI for BoR and BPA and milestones were set.

Regarding contract deadlines, there was discussion about Corps PMs getting FY14 performance work statements (PWS) to BPA earlier. This way the PWS' will be ready when the funding arrives, and the PM's can award contracts earlier in the fiscal year.

## **TCP Subcommittee Meeting Follow-up (Kristen, Gail, Sean, Katherine)**

The meeting was held on June 4<sup>th</sup> in Spokane, WA. There was discussion on Bulletin 38 revision and how to include TCPs on the NR: should TCPs be considered a new NR type with a corresponding TCP

national eligibility criterion, or should there be a new TCP program separate from the current NR program.

The comment period for Bulletin 38 is still open, the bulletin will now be written internally by the NPS. They hope to have revisions done by September, a revised draft in December and a final in early June 2014. NPS has offered to host a webinar for the FCRPS Program if at least 20 people can attend. Concern was expressed by some tribes about the accuracy of published tribal ethnographies. If people are concerned, they should contact the tribe and ask.

The topic of treating ancestral burials as TCPs was brought up as a way to avoid problems associated with NAGPRA and to offer more protection to burial areas.

### **Systemwide Research Design (SWRD) – Status Report (Eric and Lawr)**

BPA received proposals from contractors for technical editing of the SWRD. The bids varied drastically and the agencies realized the statement of work may need revision. It was decided that the SWRD will be put on hold until the agencies can agree what is needed from the contractor. As for now BPA will withdraw the advertisement that was put out for bid.

### **FCRPS Cultural Resources Program – Records Management & Confidentiality**

BPA response to questions:

- BPA has been identified as the central records repository for the FCRPS Cultural Resources Program. Priority 1 is to obtain FCRPS site forms and reports; priority 2 is to obtain any non FCRPS material and reports from within our APE.
- Types of storage: all types of materials (books, maps, photos, newspaper, site forms, etc). Striving for one hard copy and two digital copies, one on CD and one on server. They also store meeting notes and anything that supports the FCRPS programs, grants, RODs, reviews, recommendations, contract, inception of program, GIS records and some MS Access databases, oral histories and ethnographic info.
- A BPA contractor currently working on creating the digital copies and a numbering system. Only BPA FCRPS staff has access to the files. Access to documents is reviewed on a case by case basis. Confidential documents are in locked cabinets. BPA has asked tribes to review documents in the bibliography and flag reports with sensitive information. They may create an agreement people sign before using the records. Protocol for other agencies to look at the records still need to be worked out.
- BPA hopes to have everything they have on hand filed by the end of FY13 and the bibliography ready to distribute after the September meeting.

*June 27<sup>th</sup>*

*8:00 am to 3:00 pm*

*Main Conference Room*

### **FCRPS Access Database (Melanie Wadsworth)**

BPA presented the FCRPS Site Access Database. The group provided comments for changes or additional categories to the data entry forms. BPA made note of the changes to make to the database and a database bible is in process. Draft GIS data specifications will be reviewed by the three agencies.

### **Cooperating Groups**

**Wanapa Koot Koot:** Meetings have been productive. They have been making headway on the signage at Horsethief Park for the Roosevelt Petroglyphs and BPA is taking over the professional design stage. Progress is being made on the options for moving the Maryhill petroglyph.

**Mainstem:** Relations with the Tribes have been improving overall. The contractor for the Grand Coulee HPMP is doing a good job. When HPMP draft is complete the contractor will be facilitating a meeting with the tribes.

**Libby:** The Salish Kootenai College is doing a good job with curation. Alexander Creek stabilization is set to start construction this year. The HPMP will likely not get done this year. All funds will be expended for the year, and all planned activities will be done this year.

**Chief Joseph:** The program is functioning very well, but short on funding. They are working to get funds to help with the design so they can go forward with the stabilization project on two sites. The Corps is hoping to start construction next year; it will have a fast schedule but should be doable. Waiting to hear if the project can revert to the original PA, if it does they will move forward with updating the HPMP.

**Spokane Arm:** The work with the HPMP has been going well. They are working with the Spokane Tribe on a stabilization project. Work with the Tribe during inadvertent discoveries has gone smoothly.

**Albeni Falls:** Due to funding shortages they were not able to do any more large mitigation projects but they were able to do the planting. Hopefully funding will be better next year and they will do additional stabilization.

**Payos:** Going from paper maps to a GIS database has been a big improvement. They are catching up on their contracts. They have design plans for signs at the projects. The inventory survey is being done in house this year. NWW has decided to do one HPMP for all the Lower Snake River projects; contract the HPMP next year. Lastly a PA for Ice Harbor has been drafted.

#### **October 2014 FCRPS Systemwide Meeting – discussion of agency approval processes**

- All three agencies must have advance approval prior to planning and attending future conferences.
- The cost of the Elders Dinner is a topic of concern for all agencies.
- BPA funding is highly limited. Further discussion is needed on the topic.
- As of now the Corps is unable to attend any conferences until they receive further guidance. The Corps and BoR are researching the exception process.
- The SWPA states the conference will take place every two years, it is mission critical event.

#### **FCRPS Treatment Plan Procedures**

Treatment plans and avoidance of adverse effects can be found in Attachment 5 in the SWPA. The FCRPS agencies need to document what treatments have been completed for individual sites and receive acknowledgement for the work. . The group is considering creating a standard format or outline for treatment plans to help the agencies keep track of mitigation efforts and where they are in the process.

#### **FCRPS Cultural Resources Program and Built Environment (Lawr Salo)**

Seattle District Technical Center for Expertise TCX is currently working on a DOE for The Dalles Dam and next year they will do a DOE for Chief Joseph Dam. NWW has contracted out and is currently redoing the DOE for McNary Dam. In July, BoR will be sending the DOE for Grand Coulee to the state, tribal and counties asking for comments.

### **FCRPS Cultural Resources Handbook Revision (Eric Petersen)**

BPA has prepared an updated Handbook and sent it to the leads in BPA, BoR and the Corps for comments. A final draft is expected by September 30<sup>th</sup>.

### **Remote Sensing Services – Making acquisition more efficient (Lawr Salo)**

Seattle District is researching what the in-house data acquisition capabilities are for different organizations and what the average cost is to put a remote sensing crew in the field and use the equipment.

### **Scheduling an FCRPS-wide ARPA training (Katherine Pollock)**

ARPA training may be offered to program participants in 2014. BPA may be able to facilitate a regional ARPA training, but would need to open to other agencies.

### **Develop Schedule for Completion of FY14 “Big” Projects**

The agencies reviewed important upcoming requirements under the SWPA.

- March 2015 is when the 5 year summary report is due. It will contain the data gathered the past 5 years and the comments received from our consulting parties.

The October 2014 System Wide Conference would start the kick off for the SWPA review.