



FCRPS Cultural Resources Sub-Committee (CRSC)

Quarterly Meeting

Date: Sept. 18th and 19th, 2013

Time: Sept. 18th – 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 Sept. 19th – 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Place: Marcus Whitman Hotel
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FY2014 Meeting Schedule
Dec 10 - 11, 2013 – Seattle
March 12-13, 2014 – Boise
June 18 -19, 2014 – The Dalles
Sept 10-11, 2014 – Troutdale

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Sept. 18th

9:30 am to 5:00 pm

Introductions

- Derek Beery is the new Bureau of Reclamation (BoR) FCRPS Archaeologist/Project Manager at the Grand Coulee Power Office.
- Elizabeth Ellis from the Seattle District (NWS) of the Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) is leaving the FCRPS program. No replacement has been assigned.

Approval of previous meeting notes

June 2013 meeting notes were approved. These are finalized and distributed, and posted on the FCRPS Cultural Resource Program website.

Action Item review

The group reviewed and updated the Action Item list.

Program Goals & Measures - Review of status of the six goals

The group reviewed and provided status reports for work to meet program goals and measures.

- The 5 year summary report will be due March 31, 2015.
- A draft System Wide Research Design (SWRD) was completed in 2011, which fulfilled the SWPA requirement. Discussions about next steps for completing the document are ongoing.
- The draft Historic Properties Management Plan (HPMP) for Grand Coulee is out for comment.
- The draft Ice Harbor PA is awaiting comments.

FY13 Performance Indicators (PIs)

- PI for archeological inventory at Corps Projects will meet the midrange target; 10 out of 12 Projects met the 20% inventory goal.
- PI for contracting at Corps Projects met the stretch target.
- PI for Determinations of Eligibility (DOE) at BoR Projects met the stretch target.
- The PI for contracting at BoR Projects will meet the midrange target.

FY14 Performance Indicators

FY14 PIs have been given to the Performance Management Committee and they are preparing them for the Joint Operating Committee (JOC) to sign.

- For Corps Projects, Traditional Cultural Property (TCP) Inventory Plans will be developed to identify data gaps so that TCP inventories are completed by September 30, 2018. Plans will be similar to the archaeology inventory plans. Corps Projects will also have a contracting PI, similar to FY13.
- Areas for the Hungry Horse survey PI have been identified for FY14. BoR Projects will also have a contracting PI, similar to FY13.

Systemwide Programmatic Agreement (SWPA) Status

The Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation (CCT) Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) agreed to bring the SWPA before the Colville Business Council again for possible re-signing if the agencies agreed to interpret the SWPA according to ACHP comments, which they have done. The CCT THPO presented the SWPA to the CCT Culture Committee for review. Washington Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP) has deferred their signature until CCT signs.

BoR is working on the APE for Lake Roosevelt with the CCT and DAHP; this is an issue that needs to be cleared up before the HPMP can be completed.

Annual Rotation of FCRPS Duties /Review Roles & Responsibilities Table

The group updated the Roles and Responsibilities table to reflect FY14 tasks.

Client Survey Results

Portland State University has completed development and implementation of the Client Surveys. BPA has received reports summarizing results for each. The agencies are currently discussing how to move forward with the results.

Lessons Learned about FCRPS Cultural Resources Data from the Columbia River Treaty

This topic was deferred until the December FCRPS CRSC meeting.

Indirect Effects APE – guidelines for establishing

Within the Corps, two APEs are being discussed for projects within the Walla Walla District: the direct effects APE (within the 500m), and the indirect effect (anything outside the 500m) APE. The direct effects APE is an arbitrary boundary and addresses areas directly affected by the operations at the Projects. Some tribes believe an APE to address indirect effects should include the entire Columbia River Basin.

BoR and BPA's approach is different for how they created the APE at Grand Coulee and Hungry Horse. They did not take into account whether the land was private, federal, state, or tribal. At Hungry Horse, the APE is a quarter mile around the whole reservoir; although it is an arbitrary distance, it is linked to a physical feature (i.e., a road around the reservoir). The ¼ mile distance is a convenient "short hand" description of the effects occurring at the reservoir. Their APE was not divided into direct or indirect effects; the level of effort for inventory, evaluation, and mitigation will differ depending on the location and the nature of the effects.

Indirect effects APE at Corps Projects will be a policy level decision by the agencies with a prospective decision date of January 2014.

Roles & Responsibilities of Cooperating Groups

The agencies are planning to resend the FACA letter so the cooperating groups can update the people who are authorized to participate in meetings as government representatives.

Dates and locations for FY2014 meetings

Meeting dates and locations as follows:

- Dec 10 and 11 in Seattle, WA
- March 12th and 13th in Boise, ID
- June 18th and 19th in Spokane, WA or The Dalles ,OR
- Sept 10th and 11th in Troutdale, OR

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FY2014 Systemwide Meeting – Budget Organization and Impact on Approval Process

Planning normally starts six months before the meeting, but will have to start earlier this year due to the longer approval process, which is an outcome of the Office of Personnel and Management Memorandum M-12-12 issued last year. This Memorandum outlines a series of new policies and practices for conference sponsorship, hosting, and attendance.

Cooperating Group Updates

Wanapa Koot Koot: Extra funding allowed the 20% inventory PI to be met in the John Day Reservoir. The Hells Gate Cove stabilization project on Miller Island is moving forward; the 30% design is complete and was presented at the September WPKK meeting. Environmental compliance and design completion will take place next year. Tribes have done an excellent job turning in deliverables for their legacy contracts. FY14 the group will have a site condition monitoring workshop and Warm Springs Geo Visions will develop a guide for monitoring standards.

Grand Coulee: The draft HPMP is out for review. Test excavations for the Hidden Beach Stabilization are done, a contract for construction will be advertised later this year. Survey on the Spokane Arm is taking place, and progress is being made against the 5,000 acre FY13 target.

Hungry Horse: In FY14 the group will try something new with contracting and have an outside contractor do survey. The tribes agreed on a list of contractors they are comfortable using for the work.

Libby: The bank stabilization at Alexander Creek is complete. The emergency management personnel wonderfully executed the project and it came in slightly under budget. The GIS data share agreement has been finalized. The Libby PA is waiting to be signed by NWS OPM, and then it will be sent to BPA, the Forest Service, the Tribes and the SHPO for signature. If it is signed it will be the first project specific PA completed under the SWPA. The curation contract with Salish-Kootenai College is going through as planned.

Chief Joseph: Planning work has started for the stabilization of sites OK196 and OK197. The CCT wrote a letter to the Corps emphasizing the importance of sites and identifying stabilization as a high priority. There have been two site visits with planning and engineering personnel. A package design of alternatives will be done by the end of September. Stabilization of OK239 has been executed; the contract for fencing around the site will probably be awarded before the end of FY13. The growth of the vegetation planted in February 2013 for the stabilization is amazing.

Albeni Falls: Finished Hoodoo Creek stabilization and was considerably under cost. The extra funds were used for the curation of collections at Albeni Falls and Chief Joe. In FY14, the funds will be available to implement a large stabilization project. Priest River Phase III needs stabilization through boulder placement and plantings; the Corps will be able to easily maintain the stabilization as it is on their land.

Payos: It was agreed to focus on the stabilization of Columbia Point site again this year. Survey work at Dworshak is completed for this year, as well as the DOE for Lower Granite. Rock Art Images are being evaluated. In FY14, the group wants to do collection analysis from previous excavations.

System Wide Research Design

SWRD work continues. The plan is to integrate A, B, C and D National Register eligibility criteria, and include all types of historic properties into a single comprehensive volume. BPA and the Corps are working on revising the contract scope of work.

FCRPS Cultural Resources Handbook Revisions

Draft version 5 has been out since December 2012. BPA has prepared an updated Handbook and sent it to the leads in BPA, BoR, and the Corps and awaiting comments from BPA and BoR. Final draft will be distributed when the comments are received and incorporated.

FCRPS Treatment Plans – Treatment Plan Forms

BoR presented a treatment plan form to the group. It is meant to act as a cover sheet for treatment projects. A revised form will be sent by November 15th to the group in order to have available for the annual report.