***TAMS Steering Committee Call Notes***

**January 15, 2020 @ 10AM PDT**

Attending: Andy Bessler, Pat Childers, Ann Marie Chischilly, Tennille Denetdeel, Farshid Farsi, Mehrdad Khatibi, Mike King, Chris Lee, James Payne, Camille QuickBear, Melinda Ronca-Battista, Darold Wallick

**Opening Business**

 Roll Call was completed, and there was not a quorum of voting members.

The agendawas approved and additions were made.

**What’s Happening at the TAMS Center** – TAMS Co-Directors

Past and Future Trainings/Courses:

* *GIS for Air Quality* – December 16-18, 2019, TAMS Center, Las Vegas – course went well; 6 participants completed the course
* *IAQ Diagnostics Tools* – January 28-31, 2020, TAMS Center, Las Vegas – Guest Instructor: Jed Harrison; ITEP Instructors: Mike King and Mansel Nelson; Tribal Instructor: Ernie Grooms, Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa
* *Fundamentals of Air Monitoring* – February 25-27, 2020, TAMS Center, Las Vegas – ITEP/TAMS Instructors: Mike King and Chris Lee; two new Tribal Instructors: Christopher Franco, Southern Ute Indian Tribe and Christopher Yazzie, Navajo Nation

Professional Assistance:

* Ute Mountain Ute: Mike is assisting tribe with TEOM issues
* TREX users shutdown on the 13th; reached out to tribes and offered assistance; Coos Bay, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians and Shoshone-Bannock Tribes responded and downloaded current information/data within the system; plan for further detailed discussion for tribes to carry forward; TAMS will provide tools to save their data (SOPs, AQS formatted reports) from datalogger

QREST Network Update:

* Doug connected dataloggers to more sites
* Last 24 hours updates can be seen; last QC check; useful for agencies for quick monitor view
* Smart sheet access tool; need help with templates for connectivity; setup templates
* Need assistance with dataloggers to connect and setup templates
* Connect with Sutron dataloggers; able to ping with other data loggers
* Seeking to connect more dataloggers
* Meeting setup with Laura McKelvey

**Review of APTI Revised Training Courses** – James Payne

* Curricula has gone through review; we need final review from SC and EC members
* Regional call; Region 9 leading effort
* More documents are forthcoming; will send out to all
* Comments due January 27

**Equipment Inventory Update**  **–** Vallen Cook

* Working on survey of questions
* Vallen is working on list of tribes to contact
* Template form is ready to send out; will generate spreadsheet
* Mehrdad suggests to share form with all for review
* Suggestion was made to include datalogger questions; work with Mike for questions to add to the form; identify type of datalogger tribes are using; get a sense of what tribes have for training
* Darold will include Mike on calls
* James mentioned OAQPS applied for internship; work on equipment list can help; parallel projects for support; request Darold to add him to list for updates

**Update on VM Award Nominees for 2020** – All

* Received one nomination for the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation, Kris Ray; nominated by Craig Kreman
* Nominate tribes and get word out; deadline is February 28
* There are three seats open for SC members; received one to date
* Pat requested list of past VM award winners; Chris will send out link

**Other Updates –**

NTAA Update **–** Andy Bessler

* NTAA Executive Committee meeting in Washington, D.C. week of February 10
* Request to have liaison from TAMS SC; Vallen Cook was invited to attend
* Final agenda will be sent to Chris
* Vallen to provide brief update
* Work with Vallen for comments and ideas to mention at meeting; include slide on aging monitors and the need for funding
* Use STAR reports
* EPA staff training on the 13th to train OAR staff to communicate better with staff

ITEP Update – Mehrdad Khatibi

* NTF Update: finalize contract with Muscogee Creek Nation, Oklahoma; will be signed before end of week
* Save-the-date and Regional information will be coming out soon
* Lots of information being shared in planning calls; need feedback about developing program
* Next planning call is Tuesday, January 21, 11am MST; encourage SC members to attend; Andy to send invite to all
* Deadline to apply for RFA is March 13; need feedback from SC members regarding work that ITEP is doing, i.e., courses; send comments/input to Mehrdad

EPA Update – Pat Childers

* RFA out on the 10th; AIAQTP request for grant; $8M over 5 year cooperative agreement
* Will review changes during presentation on February 4
* Each region will get STAG funding; slightly different; not a rescission; region 3 receiving partial
* James announced EPA’s Residential Wood Smoke Workshop in New Orleans, March 10-12, 2020
* NTAA Wood Smoke Work Group call on Thursday, March 19, 2pm ET

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