***TAMS Steering Committee Call Notes***

**June 20, 2017 @ 10AM PDT**

Attending: Joe Cebe, Pat Childers, Farshid Farsi, David Gay, April Hathcoat, Nicole Johnson, Monika Lacka, Chris Lee, Laura McKelvey, James Payne, Camille QuickBear, Kris Ray, Darlene Santos, Frank Spurgeon, Shaina White

**Opening Business**

 Roll Call was completed, and there was a quorum of voting members.

The agendawas approved.

The April and May call notes were approved as written.

**TAMS Center Activity Updates**

Farshid reported that last week, Alfonso Yadao was hired for the TAMS Equipment Manager position. Alfonso is hired under the National Older Worker Career Center (NOWCC) initiative and reports to the EPA TAMS Co-Director. Glenn completed two PA’s: Cabazon Band of Mission Indians – June 5-9 and Las Vegas Paiute Tribe – June 12-16. He worked with Griffin Brown at Cabazon and assisted with the start-up of the monitoring equipment. Glenn worked with Shannon Lee at Las Vegas Paiute to help restart their monitors and troubleshoot the gaseous monitoring equipment. There is a possible PA that Glenn will be scheduling with Leech Lake some time next month. Laura mentioned Blue Lake Rancheria may request for a PA to start an air monitoring project. Melinda and Angelique continue to provide support for the EI Advance on-line course.

**Report from EPA/Tribes Meeting at OAQPS – Shaina White, Pat Childers, Laura McKelvey**

* Meeting started last Tuesday; help training new EPA employees; presented on how EPA communicates with tribes
* Participants discussed their point of views
* Future of tribal air discussion
* Needs assessment, STAR and IAQ report from NTAA was discussed
* Accomplish keeping up with communications; send positive message to administration; EPA and tribes work well together, effectively cut costs with programs
* Pat reported morning session was good discussion; all were on the same page; the afternoon session – there were many different opinions on what future may hold; most of discussion was regarding budget and existing grantees;
* Laura - Identified how to improve TACs performance and help tribes
* Formulate information on everyone’s role; help to promote
* Strategize on climate change
* Capture tribal air program role
* Need for health assessments; how to move forward

**TAMS Website/Equipment Loan Inventory Webpage Discussion – Shaina White**

Gathered list of remaining equipment needing information. Gave task to TAMS to gather equipment information; will provide tomorrow. Link to be sent out next week. Provide suggestions and edits and submit final to Ty. Move forward with installing manual/fact sheets on separate website.

**Needs Assessment Data Summary** – **Shaina White/TAMS Co-Directors**

Uploaded new data on excel spreadsheet; includes 13 additional responses – total 63; discuss and decide what graphs to use; decide on close date or just close out and provide report; received response from all region except Region 8. Camille mentioned a Region 8 conference will be held next week in Denver. She will provide information and encourage tribes to complete the assessment. Chris to provide information to Camille and Pat (for TAC meeting).

**SC Members Joint Meeting with NTAA’s EC Members - Sept – Craig Kreman/TAMS Co-Directors**

The first joint meeting is scheduled next Tuesday, June 27. Topics to discuss include: budget, TAMS Center budget, FY18, needs assessment report, VW Settlement, Regional Equipment Monitoring report.

**March 2018 Spring In-Person Meeting Date –**

Confirmed for 3/6 - 3/8/17, TAMS, Las Vegas; Darlene to send calendar invite. Also, send calendar invite for September.

**Other Business**

*Monitoring Guidance Report –* call 1st week of July to review section 7, 8 and appendices*.*

***Next Conference Call*** – Wednesday, July 19, 2017

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