***TAMS Steering Committee Call***

**April 20, 2016 @ 10:00 A.M. PDT**

Attending: Andy Bessler, Joe Cebe, Pat Childers, Ann Marie Chischilly, Farshid Farsi, April Hathcoat, Mehrdad Khatibi, Craig Kreman, Chris Lee, Laura McKelvey, Tracie Merrill, Kris Ray, Darlene Santos, Frank Spurgeon, Shaina White, Ed Wilds

**Opening Business**

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

The agenda was approved.

The February 2016 call notes were approved as written.

**CASTNET Presentation**

Melissa Puchalski, from OAP presented. See Attachment for power point presentation.

**TAMS Center Happenings**

The Level 2 Fundamentals of Air Monitoring course was held at the TAMS Center April 5-7. The course was a success with 15 participants, Glenn as the lead instructor and Darold Wallick as the tribal instructor. Also part of the instructional team was a former TAMS employee, Yousaf Hameed. Positive feedback was received from the participants. This course will be offered again in FY17. The GIS course is scheduled for next week, April 26-28. Next month, Glenn is scheduled for a PA at Hoopa Valley Tribe in Northern California. Melinda is assisting Ft. McDowell with their AQS data and the transition of TREX to AirVision. She is also working with Gila River with their network design report and assisting Manzanita with toolbox. Melinda announced that the on-line QA Fundamentals is now available. She is currently working on the Data Management Intro video and is also revising TURBO QAPP. Angelique is assisting Manzanita with their MET data. She received a request from Ernie Grooms to assist with TEISS project. She is also assisting Morongo with Toolbox, apparently the data was imported incorrectly.

**TAMS SC Participation at NTF on Air Quality**

1. Plenary session - this session will include ten questions. The SC agreed that the draft script is good. Craig will forward draft to everyone.
2. Air Monitoring Help Panel – the panel will set up a call to structure the presentation time.

**Spring Meeting Follow-Up**

1. Action Item List - The SC will review for any additional items to add.

**Other Business**

1. Needs Assessment – The first planning call was April 2, 2 pm (MST). In attendance were Craig, Chris, Farshid, Mehrdad and Shaina. Shaina reported the following:
2. Possible additions to last Needs Assessment – add question to identify what region the respondent represents (keep Alaska separate); add section for respondent to enter email to the TAMS Spare Parts Listserv; add question regarding type and age of ambient air monitoring equipment; add question about radiation monitoring.
3. Method to disseminate assessment – continue using ITEP servers.
4. Question 1 – expand list to include other funding agencies besides EPA 103/105.
5. Question 2A/Focus Area – expand list to include: sensor technology; air toxics monitoring; split criteria pollutants into separate selections; equipment instrumentation and maintenance; refine the question for air monitoring data reporting; include several other data management options.
6. Question 3A: Gravimetric Lab Focus – possibly omit this question (funding is uncertain at this time).
7. Question 3B – keep this question in needs assessment (expand question to ask if respondent represents a tribe designated Class I

Next planning call is scheduled for May 3, 2:30 pm (MST)

1. Sensor Technology – No new update to report.
2. Spare Parts Listserv – Chris reported the actual mechanism is now up and running. He will email listserv to all. This is a straight list and is participation driven and will populate with TAMS participants.
3. Gravimetric Lab Service Interest Survey – move forward with final letter announcing end of service for current tribes, signed by Ed Wilds and Craig (Farshid to forward to Craig for signature). Suggestions for interest survey: will need assistance from NCRFO; identify radiation detection needs; come up with procedures; follow same format in SOG; project acceptance form (needed for internal use); continue lab updates to SC.

***Next Conference Call –*** Thursday, May 12, 2016

Submitted by:

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