***TAMS Steering Committee Call***

**May 12, 2016 @ 10:00 A.M. PDT**

Attending: Kent Bartholomew, Joe Cebe, Pat Childers, Ann Marie Chischilly, Farshid Farsi, David Gay April Hathcoat, Mehrdad Khatibi, Craig Kreman, Chris Lee, Laura McKelvey, Tracie Merrill, Kris Ray, 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 April 2016 call notes were approved as written.

**TAMS Center Happenings**

Chris reported on a Data Interpretation Training request received from Region 7 Tribes. The TAMS Center is currently having calls to discuss this request. Glenn has been scheduling PA’s that will be occurring in June. Thus far, Glenn has PAs scheduled for La Posta, the Prairie Band of Potawatomi, and the Delaware Nation. Farshid introduced Kent Bartholomew, the recently hired Equipment Manager for the TAMS Center. Kent is hired under the National Older Worker Career Center (NOW-CC) initiative and reports to the EPA TAMS Co-director. Kent has been working with getting the 3M EVM particulate sensors and the Aeroqual 500S Ozone sensors ready.

**TAMS SC Participation at National Tribal Forum on Air Quality**

There was discussion on the opening plenary session presentation, the Tribal Air Quality Show. Subjects relevant to the TAMS SC include the TAMS NA, Mapping for Quapaw, and wildfires. Joe Cebe provided an update on the air monitoring help panel. Craig Kreman inquired about the Virgil Masayesva Award Ceremony.

**Other Business**

Shaina White provided an update on the progress of the needs assessment made by the TAMS NA subcommittee. Changes include allowing for more choices when identifying what funding resources tribal programs are using for funding air project activity. Also the data support projects were specified further in the focus area.

The Aeroqual 500S Sensors have finally been delivered to the TAMS Center. The equipment manager Kent Bartholomew is reviewing what the TAMS Center has received and will determine whether they are complete systems. Kent will work with the Co-Directors to determine the best configuration to send to tribes requesting the sensors. Once determined, the Aeroquals will be sent to the Quapaw and Cherokee Nations.

The TAMS spare parts listserv has been set up and populating the listserv with professionals whom have attended TAMS Center courses.

Kris Ray asked whether the TAMS SC Equipment Report was included in the STAR Report and if not, why that information is not included. Kevin Greenleaf, Kootenai Tribe, also had questions about the tribal air monitoring database map developed by the OAQPS. Pat mentioned that Laura McKelvey updated the tribal air monitoring database map for Janet and will be sharing with everyone soon. Kris indicated that not all tribal air monitoring sites are identified on the STAR interactive map.

Aging tribal air monitors - If a limited amount of funding is available for air monitoring equipment, how do we prioritize? Hole filling within an air monitoring network.

Regional Updates - Tracie provided an update on another road dust air monitoring project that the Seldovia Village is conducting. Project is for gravimetric analysis and will not include any speciation.

***Next Conference Call –*** Thursday, June 16

Submitted by:

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