***TAMS Steering Committee Call***

**June 16, 2016 @ 10:00 A.M. PDT**

Attending: Wilda Anagal, Kent Bartholomew, Joe Cebe, Pat Childers, Ann Marie Chischilly, Farshid Farsi, Aunjanee Gautreaux, April Hathcoat, Mehrdad Khatibi, Craig Kreman, Chris Lee, Tracie Merrill, Kris Ray, Darlene Santos, Shaina White, Ed Wilds

**Opening Business**

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

The agenda was approved.

It was agreed by the SC members that the March 2016 in-person meeting minutes will be approved at the next conference call.

**TAMS Center Happenings**

The GIS for Air Quality course was held at the end of April for ten participants, Glenn was the lead instructor and Michael King, from Navajo Nation, was selected to join the instructional team as the tribal instructor. Glenn is scheduled for three PA’s this month. This week he is at La Posta Band of Mission Indians in Southern California. Next week he will be at the Prairie Band of Potawatomi Nation in Kansas, and the last week of June he will be at Delaware Nation in Oklahoma (Choctaw will also participate). Melinda is developing a mini course for Region 7 tribes for Data Analysis and Interpretation, on-line materials will be used; timeframe for this course is the third week of July. She continues to assist Karen Shaw from Ft. McDowell Yavapai Nation with their AQS data and the transition of TREX Data Logger (Zeno) to AirVision. Melinda is also preparing on-line materials and working on database for ORCA. Angelique is currently working with Sac and Fox Nation on their emissions inventory per email request she received. She has also forwarded the QAPP to Melinda for her review.

TAMS is receiving more requests for IAQ equipment from the following locations: Navajo Nation, handheld monitors, sensors; La Jolla, Frank Spurgeon for high school project; Southern California, particle counter for fire in tribal building. Kent reported that an EBAM was set up at 105 degree for 8 day period, Glenn to review data; and EVM-3M PM monitors are ready to be deployed.

Farshid reported on a recent meeting with NCRFO management and Dave Rowson from IED, ORIA regarding their interest for direct participation in IAQ, i.e., offer funding for additional IAQ course and move forward with training in the new fiscal year. The National Ambient Air Monitoring Conference is scheduled August 8-11 in St. Louis, Missouri. OAQPS to assist and conduct a two hour tribal session to include 4 speakers: Melinda - Quickdraw Tribal Toolbox for AQS Database; Glenn - Ozone System Configuration; Craig/Santa Rosa Rancheria Tribe – Start-up of air monitoring; Melissa Puchalsk – Small footprint for monitoring in Indian Country. It was suggested to secure a booth and display the TAMS poster at the conference.

**NTF on Air Quality – Open Discussion**

The SC members reported a record attendance and positive feedback was received overall. However, some of the presentations did not seem to flow right, presenters were not prepared and on the final day the conference ended in an awkward way. Sessions with multiple people is a great format, but needs to be current and fresh. It was mentioned that the NTAA was addressed more than TAMS and both NTAA and TAMS should be addressed as a whole. There was discussion on ways to elevate TAMS. The NTF debrief call is scheduled for Monday, June 27, 10am Pacific. Mehrdad mentioned that the NTF cost increases each year, and discounts were received from the sponsoring tribes for the last NTF. He also mentions that the requests from tribes for travel assistance has increased as well.

**Sensor Technology**

Kent has been working to correlate the EVM-3M particulate sensors and the Aeroqual 500S Ozone sensors with the ozone monitors. The SC members agreed that the pilot project timeline should be six weeks. Craig and April plan to set up sensors next to the ozone analyzer for one week by the casino area, then another week outside other community areas and compare the data.

**Other Business**

Shaina reported the main part of the needs assessment is complete (7 questions, 2 with sub questions and 2 fill in). The planning committee will review the draft then send on to the SC and NTAA EC for review and comments. The final draft should be done by the week of August 14 and will be reviewed at the TAMS manager’s meeting August 17. Plan to work on final details of needs assessment and prepare to send out in the fall.

It was reported that the listserv was being utilized and people posting questions were getting responses. Craig received direct communication with people whom have responded to a post by the Quapaw Tribe.

***Next Conference Call –*** Wednesday, July 13

Submitted by:

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