



STAFF REPORT 2018 SPRING BUSINESS MEETING

PORTLAND, OREGON



TRAINING PROGRAM

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CY2017 & 3 YEAR GRANT 2015 - 2017

CY2017

- ▶ 33 Training Courses Offered
- ▶ 57 Training Days
- ▶ 788 Students Trained

EXPECTED RESULTS

- ▶ 69 Courses Offered
- ▶ 1800 Students Trained
- ▶ 3450 Student Days
- ▶ 3 Training Course Update/Development

ACTUAL RESULTS

- ▶ 75 Courses Offered
- ▶ 1683 Students Trained
- ▶ 3634 Student Days
- ▶ 0 Training Course Update/Development

CY2018 & 3 YEAR GRANT 2018 - 2020

CY2018

- ▶ 19-20 Training Courses to be Offered
- ▶ 51-53 Training Days
- ▶ 9-10 States

EXPECTED RESULTS

- ▶ 60 Courses Offered
- ▶ 1800 Students Trained
- ▶ 3450 Student Days
- ▶ 3 Training Course Update/Development

ACTUAL RESULTS

- ▶ 1 Courses Offered
- ▶ 26 Students Trained
- ▶ 78 Student Days
- ▶ 0 Training Course Update/Development

NATIONAL TRAINING ISSUES

UPDATE EXISTING COURSES

- ▶ Topics/Slides/Manuals/Methodology

MODERNIZE TEACHING METHODOLOGIES

- ▶ E-Learning

DEVELOP NEW COURSES

- ▶ Topics/Slides/Manuals

NATIONAL TRAINING ISSUES

ASKING OF EPA:

- ▶ Increase EPA's Efforts/Resources Devoted to Training

ASKING/NOT ASKING OF S/L/T:

- ▶ Expect A Better Training Program
- ▶ Support a Stronger Training Infrastructure
- ▶ Help Prioritize Future Work
- ▶ Offer Subject Matter Expertise
- ▶ Not Asking for Additional Funds

NATIONAL TRAINING ISSUES



INSTRUCTORS NEEDED



POLICY/TECHNICAL PROGRAM

BOB LEBENS

Policy/Technical Program

WESTAR Focus:

- ▶ Background Ozone & Ozone Transport
- ▶ Regional Haze
- ▶ Exceptional Events
- ▶ Residential Wood Heating

WESTAR Committee Support

2015 Ozone NAAQS 'Good Neighbor' SIP

Good Neighbor SIP Due: October 1, 2018

- ▶ **March 27, 2018 Information Memo**

WESTAR Comments to EPA on Ozone:

- ▶ 2015 Ozone NAAQS Implementation Guidance (February 13, 2017)
- ▶ Background Ozone White Paper (May 11, 2016)
- ▶ Public Testimony, Classification and SIP Requirements Rule (January 12, 2016)
- ▶ Proposed Ozone NAAQS (March 16, 2015)

Regional Haze Rule & Guidance

Regional Haze Rule & Guidance Changes

- ▶ **Date tba**

WESTAR Comments to EPA on Regional Haze:

- ▶ Regional Haze Rule Guidance (August 22, 2016)
- ▶ Proposed Regional Haze Rule Changes (August 10, 2016)
- ▶ Public Hearing Testimony (June 1, 2016)
- ▶ Regional Haze Program Implementation Improvements (November 16, 2015)

Exceptional Events

Exceptional Events Guidance – dates tba

- ▶ Stratospheric intrusion guidance
- ▶ High wind guidance update
- ▶ Prescribed fire guidance

WESTAR Comments to EPA on Exceptional Events:

- ▶ Exceptional Events Proposed Rule Comments (August 22, 2016)
- ▶ Public Hearing Testimony on Exceptional Events proposal (December 8, 2015)
- ▶ Exceptional Events High Wind Guidance (August 31, 2012)

Residential Wood Heating NSPS

Residential Wood Heating NSPS Revisions

- ▶ **Proposal, June**
- ▶ **Final, early 2019**

WESTAR Activity on NSPS:

- ▶ Ongoing participation in stakeholder process to develop cord wood test method
- ▶ WESTAR Comments on proposed NSPS (May 1, 2014)

WESTAR Committee Support

WESTAR Committees

- ▶ **Broad range of perspectives - Consensus**
- ▶ **Education**

Future Committee Needs:

- ▶ Replace institutional knowledge
- ▶ Leadership development

WESTAR and WRAP

Tom Moore

WESTAR Organization Support

- Planning and Technical Committees' support
- Monthly Council calls
- Technical and project mgmt.
 - NM BLM-sponsored San Juan/Permian Basins' O&G inventory
 - Intermountain West Data Warehouse / Western Air Quality Study
 - Drill Rig NO₂ Study
 - Next steps on regional technical support for Regional Haze planning

WRAP Organization Support

- Routine calls for Board, Technical Steering Committee, and 5 Work Groups, and member agency outreach
- Activities
 - Background Ozone Scientific Assessment manuscript preparation
 - Nationwide Regional Orgs-States-Tribes-EPA AQ Technical Working Group
 - 2016 Emissions Modeling Platform – planning and development

Meetings w/ other groups

- TEMPO Satellite - Western U.S. Early Adopters workshop (April 10-11)
- State of Colorado Air Quality Control Commission – regional haze presentation (April 19)