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February 14, 2018
WESTAR Council Meeting
Conference Call Summary

The monthly WESTAR Council call began at 1:00 pm PST/2:00 pm MST/3:00 pm CST. Council members and delegates present included:

AK--
AZ—Tim Franquist
CA—Tina Suarez-Murias
CO—Garry Kaufman
HI—Kathy Lopez
ID—Tiffany Floyd
MT—Stephen Coe
NV—Danilo Dragoni
NM—Rita Bates
ND—Terry O’Clair
OR—
SD—Brian Gustafson, Kyrik Rombaugh
UT—Bryce Bird
WA—Stu Clark, Chris Hanlon-Meyer, Nancy Pritchett
WY—Mike Morris, Nancy Vehr

WESTAR-Mary Uhl, Jackie Gadret, Bob Lebens, Tom Moore

Agenda:

1. Review of WESTAR/WRAP spring business meeting agenda-attached (Mary Uhl)
2. EPA/WESTAR wood smoke workshop March 6-8 in Nashville, TN (Bob Lebens)
3. TEMPO early adopters workshop April 10-11 in Fort Collins, CO-see information below (Tom Moore)
4. Summary of NACAA discussions on comments for the CPP ANPRM (Stu Clark)
5. Summary of EPA SIP Lean event in Washington, DC (Tiffany Floyd)
6. WESTAR/WRAP/EPA conference call on western exceptional events implementation February 21 (Mary Uhl)
7. Fed/State Technical Collaboration Group conference call February 22 (Mary Uhl)
8. Western ozone transport concerns discussions with EPA (Mary Uhl)

¹ Draft will be considered final upon review and approval by a majority of the members, typically on the next monthly conference call.

9. Regional haze rule revisions/guidance release-working with EPA (Mary Uhl)
10. Western Regional haze analysis technical work update (Mary Uhl and Tom Moore)
11. Other items as time and interest permit

The Western U.S. TEMPO Early Adopters Workshop has 4 principle goals to advance the use of TEMPO remote sensing data for use by Western U.S. air quality mgmt. agencies:

- Gather technical staff from state, tribal, local, and federal air quality mgmt. agencies in the West to interact with remote sensing experts from academia and federal agencies to identify and plan applications of data from the TEMPO satellite platform.
- Review examples of retrievals, processing, and applications of similar existing remote sensing data for western air quality issues.
- Discuss and specify attributes of “TEMPO-like” synthetic data needed for testing prior to launch.
- Discuss and specify processing and delivery needs from NASA for operational forecasting, episode analysis, and trends evaluation by western air quality agencies.

The workshop will be held April 10-11, 2018 in Fort Collins, CO. Travel Assistance is available; contact Tom Moore to learn more. Registration is here: <https://westar.ticketleap.com/2018tempo-early-adopters-workshop/>.

1. Review of WESTAR/WRAP spring business meeting agenda
Mary reviewed the draft agenda. Terry O’Clair asked if the draft agenda would be posted soon; Rita Bates said it would be useful to have it posted soon with the WRAP meeting agenda.
2. EPA/WESTAR wood smoke workshop March 6-8 in Nashville, TN
Bob spoke briefly about the meeting. Bob noted there are bills in congress to delay the phase 2 standard for woodstove NSPS. The trade associations received an extension on their litigation of the standard. Yesterday, NESCAUM sent a letter to Bill Wehrum stressing the importance of the NSPS and asking for a meeting. If a meeting takes place, it would be an excellent opportunity for a western air director to attend the meeting and stress the importance of the standard for their state.
3. TEMPO early adopters workshop April 10-11 in Fort Collins
Tom provided an update about the workshop; TEMPO is a new NASA satellite that will provide air quality data during daylight hours. More detailed agenda to follow.
4. Summary of NACAA discussions on comments for the CPP ANPRM
2 actions: CPP repeal, CPP replacement ANPRM. Public hearings are happening on repeal at various locations nationally. There have been requests to extend the comment date on the ANPRM. In the ANPRM, key areas for NACAA are:
 - Role and responsibilities of EPA and states in regulating power sector
 - Creation of model rules
 - Relationship between GHG and power plant programs

Relationship of NSR and CPP

What should BSER be? Emissions limits?

Rebound effect-improve efficiency/heat rate may increase useful life and operating hours

NACAA has sent out a preliminary draft.

Nancy Vehr commented that there is a listening session on CPP repeal March 27 in Gillette, WY. AAPCA has filed a request for extension.

5. EPA SIP lean event in Washington, DC
Tiffany Floyd reported on EPA's lean event to process and review SIPs more quickly and reduce SIP backlog. Mary Anderson of Idaho is participating in this event for Region 10. Event will wrap up February 16.
6. WESTAR/WRAP/EPA conference call on western exceptional events implementation
This call will take place on 2/21 at 12 noon MST.
7. Fed/State Technical Collaboration Group conference call February 22
EPA will present information about 2014/2016 modeling platforms.
8. Western ozone transport concerns discussions with EPA
EPA OAQPS will be holding a national conference call on ozone transport in March. There is a possibility for another western ozone transport concerns call with EPA after that call.
9. Regional haze rule revisions/guidance release-working with EPA
Mary noted that we have let EPA know that western states are interested in sharing perspectives about the haze rule as revisions are considered.
10. Western Regional haze analysis technical work update
Thanks to states for lending their experts to the regional haze process and workgroups.
11. Other items as time and interest permit

The call was completed at 2:41 pm MST.