Notes from Coordinating Committee Meeting, October 19, 2018

In attendance for this conference call were Harmony Burright, Alan Fujishin, Tim Gross, Jim Tooke, Caroline Bauman, Penelope Kaczmerek, Wayne Hoffman, Matt Thomas, Jackie Mikalonis, Jeanne Nyquist, Shirlene Warnock, and Lee Ann Prchal.

October 30 Partnership Meeting

The agenda for the October 30th Partnership meeting was discussed.

Wayne said that the 6:00-6:30 time slot needs to be 6:00-6:45 so the Working Groups can each have 15 minutes for their presentations. This was discussed, and the group agreed to allow 45 minutes. It was also agreed to move "Appeal to the Partnership – get involved!" to be the first item in the 6:45–7:45 segment of the meeting. Then the group will break out into Working Groups.

Alan asked Harmony if Sarah and Wendy, the OKT presenters, will be leaving after the break. Harmony said yes. Sarah and Wendy will be there during the break to answer questions and help people fill out the survey. Harmony also said that OKT will make the survey available online so people can see it before the meeting and can also fill it out online, making it available to those not at the meeting. Penelope asked to see the survey now, and Harmony will follow up with Sarah about this.

Alan asked if 5:00-5:45 is enough time for OWRD to give their presentation. Harmony said yes, they are planning a half hour presentation with 15 minutes for Q&A.

Shirlene asked the Committee for thoughts about how to handle the opening half hour if people go over with personal/community reflections on the 2018 drought. Alan said we could offer to talk to them at break. Wayne suggested having Jim Tooke and Alan lined up to talk about how Yachats and Siletz were impacted and about curtailment and conservation efforts. Caroline agreed this is a good idea. Alan said that people will understand when it is time to move on to OKT.

The Committee talked about new people coming to the meeting, and Caroline said she would be there early. Alan said he will also be there early, as well as Lee Ann, and Adam will be sending someone to be there early to help give newcomers information.

Shirlene said this is a full agenda, and she asked the Committee where they plan to cut if the meeting runs long. Caroline suggested that the Working Groups breakout discussion time can be cut because they meet regularly anyway. It was discussed how it is important to end on time because a 4-hour meeting is a long time.

Shirlene asked if each Working Group will have a leader and a note taker and asked for a plan for how the notes will be handled. She also asked what outcome we want from the Working Groups. Wayne said the outcome will be different for each one. It was mentioned this is a good time to hear from people who do not come to the individual Working Group meetings and also to talk about how their priorities line up with the other Working Groups. Shirlene asked how the notes during the working groups would be recorded, would WG notes be turned in and attached to the full meeting notes, or submitted to the website after the meeting? If the latter, what should be recorded for the full meeting

notes? Wayne said to capture what's most useful for moving forward, and post the WG notes to the website after the meeting.

Caroline talked about the need to include more people and make them all feel welcome.

Shirlene asked about note taking during the Partnership meeting in general. Lee Ann can assist with taking notes at the Partnership meeting. Alan asked about a power point template. Harmony said the OKT and OWRD have their own presentations and the Working Groups will likely have their own presentations. Alan will follow up with the Working Groups for power points. These should be coordinated well in advance of the meeting.

Jim Tooke came on the line and told the Committee the three dinner options for the Partnership Meeting and asked for input. The Committee agreed to leave it up to Jim.

Shirlene asked for microphones. Jim said he would take care of this.

Harmony said that Senator Roblin and Rosie Shatkin will be at the Partnership meeting.

Working Group updates

Wayne said the Instream/Ecology working group have agreed on next steps and will have a presentation at the meeting that will include their next steps. Harmony wants to be sure all the information from the Instream/Ecology working group is online before Wayne leaves.

Alan reported that the self-supplied group met on Oct. 5th. They had a very good presentation from Lincoln County Public Health and drinking water standards. The focus was on well water quality. He said there are grant opportunities right now increase well testing. He mentioned that Amy Chapman will likely be at the Partnership meeting.

Jim gave an update on the Municipal group since no other group members were present. He said they've talked about emergency sources of water and have had communications with water providers about possible interconnections. They also discussed emergency preparedness. GSI presented a concept to develop a water providers consortium to do outreach around conservation. This is something the working group is actively considering. It would be cost-shared 50% between GSI and the water providers. Jim will follow-up with Working Group members to make sure they have a presentation for the Partnership meeting.

Coordinating Committee Membership

Harmony gave an update on the Coordinating Committee membership. We've recently added Ann Mooney from Oregon State University/Climate Impacts Research Consortium and Penelope Kaczmarek, so we have 15 members now. When Wayne leaves we will be missing an important conservation presence. Penelope will give thought and come back with suggestions. Maybe Wayne's successor at work will be able to take his place. Jackie said it's a good idea to consult Cascade Pacific RC&D to see if they might be a good fit for the Coordinating Committee. Harmony said we can revisit this at the November 2nd meeting, and she will send out a list of the current Coordinating Committee members.

Local Planning Coordinator

Harmony asked for an update on the local planning coordinating position. Wayne said that a lot of the description he saw was based on what Rianne's job description is. Wayne thinks it had too much facilitating. He likes the members to do that themselves so they can learn how to be effective facilitators. Wayne said Adam needs to complete the draft and send it out to the CC.

Shirlene supports local people being trained to be facilitators.

Jackie made a request for the Council of Governments be consulted. Jackie said she asked them about this and they said they would be willing to help.

Harmony summarized that we are waiting for Adam to have a draft for the CC's feedback. She will follow up with Adam to keep moving forward on this.

Shirlene said it is nice because this is a pilot project the Mid-Coast can do what works for them.

General Updates

Caroline gave an update on partner stipends. She thinks they are all on track. The only thing pending is Surfrider. She will follow-up. She said all else is on hold until budget review, so there is no need to talk about this at the October 30th meeting. She said that if there is money left, she would like to target who the CC wants to give it to, such as small water districts. Alan supports this. Wayne said that Tim had said it would go to the new coordinator position's salary. Harmony thinks that at least a portion of the money is marked for stipends. Caroline agrees. Harmony said we can revisit this at the Nov. 2nd meeting.

Harmony gave an update on the Learning Partnership meeting happening November 7-9. She said four people can go. Jim Tooke, Wayne, and Tim went in July. This one is in La Grande. Mileage, lodging, and food are paid. She said that Tim is going, Paul Robertson wants to go, and Jim Tooke said he will probably go. He said it is well worth it, and Wayne agreed. Harmony said the next one is in Lower John Day early spring, and the next one will be at the coast.

Harmony said that Sara Giles, OKT, might be reaching out to Coordinating Committee members to ask for help with the survey. She is working with an advisory group of 10. She is also working with the outreach group. The survey will be open October 30th – November 30th.

Alan asked the Committee for quotes for the OKT press release. Harmony thinks there are some on the blog. She will look.

Harmony asked if there are any other updates.

Caroline said we should invite Caddy McKeown, the State Representative for Yachats. Jim said he will reach out.

Next meeting is November 2nd. Harmony will get the information for this meeting out. We will need to decide on future meetings for the CC. She asked everyone to send topics for that meeting to her, Alan, or Lee Ann.

Meeting was adjourned.