



# FCRPS Cultural Resources Sub-Committee 2021 Winter Quarterly Meeting - Notes

**Date:** Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2021 and Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2021  
**Time:** Tues.: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. PT; Wed.: 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
**Place:** WEBEX: <https://usace1.webex.com/meet/michael.a.flowers>

## Attendees

Participant Name	12/14	12/15	Affiliation
Greg Anderson (GA)	x	x	BPA
Derek Beery (DB)	x	x	Reclamation
Jennifer Knight (JK)	x	x	USACE – NWS
Leah Bonstead (LB)	x	x	USACE – NWW
Kevin Cannell (KC)	x	x	BPA
Michael Flowers (MF)	x	x	USACE – NWD
Tara Gauthier (TG)	x	x	USACE – NWP
Scott Hall (SMH) - notes	x	x	USACE – NWW
Sean Hess (SCH)	x	-	Reclamation
Sarah MacIntosh (SM)	x	x	USACE – NWS
Celia Moret Crockett (CMC)	x	x	BPA
Aaron Naumann (AN)	x	x	BPA
Liz Oliver (LO)	x	x	USACE – NWP
Kelly Phillips (KP)	x	x	BPA Contractor
Jenna Peterson (JP)	x	x	BPA
Matthew Punke (MP)	-	x	USACE – NWS
Jeremy Ripin (JR)	x	x	USACE – NWS
Pei-lin Yu (PY)	x	x	USACE – NWW

## **Introductions & Announcements (Group)**

- KC: DOE has a new return-to-work (RTW) policy. BPA has adopted with a couple of tweaks, returning to office not before 1/31/2022.
- Corps-Division still planning on RTW. NWS starting one day January, Two days February, Three days March. NWW to return to work in early January. NWP to come back on 3/1/2022 (two days a week). Reclamation-Across the board RTW on 3/25/2022. Supervisors returning earlier, 2/14/2022.
- New Staff or changes in position: **BPA-KC** is going to rotate out of his FCRPS PM role and move to the transmission side. KC's replacement has not been named, and there will be a transition period where Kevin will communicate with all the Co-op group. Won't completely

leave until sometime after the new year. **Reclamation** – Regional Director Lorri Gray is retiring at the end of the month. Jennifer Carrington will be the first person to rotate through the position on an acting basis. **NWS** – JK and JR have switched Co-op Groups Chief Joseph/Albany Falls. NSTR for NWW and NWP.

### **September Meeting Notes and Action Item Review.**

- LB finalized the previous meeting's notes on 9/29/2021.
- **Fall Action Item - Previous Action Items:** All complete, Calendar updates by KP on-going.
- **Fall Action Items – New Action Items:** KC updated Tribal feedback on possible TCP meeting: Kevin has mentioned to all the Co-op groups. The CCT and NPT has expressed interest, but not a lot of feedback in the meetings. KC is drafting an email to each program to start discussing one-on-one interests in the TCP meeting. KC would like the meeting to be face-to-face, but difficult with travel restrictions. Late spring may be the best time to have an in-person meeting.
  - MF sent out the revised language for the TPF guidance.
  - Consulting party surveys: MF is going to take over the effort, and MF is working it.
  - Adding curation definitions did not make it onto the Agenda for the Dec. mtg.
  - KC did distribute the FACA List.
  - KC sent the updated Handbook table to the group in November.
  - Curation Definitions: SM going to reach out to the VCP and see what resources are available, and this is an ongoing Action Item.

### **Recap of Recent Program Manager Presentations – (KC, MF, & SH)**

- 3Ps gave the presentation to the JOC on 11/16/2021. Execution was actually very good for the FCRPS-CR Program, but this didn't generate a lot of discussion at the presentation.
- Executive Briefing – 1/11/2022: Agenda has yet to be finalized. **Post meeting note:** Due to scheduling conflicts the Executive Meeting was changed to 3/8/2022.

### **SWPA Requirements – Schedule & Milestones (SH)**

- FY21 Annual Report (due 3/30/2022) –GA has volunteered to consolidate the Annual Report. PM's need to submit tables and appendices by 1/7/2022.
- MF is helping with the Client Survey effort, working with JK and GA. They have developed a set of questions for the survey. Going to be shorter than past years (8 questions currently). The survey group will share an advance copy of the survey after they finalize those in January (tentative based on when the meeting occurs).

### **Long-Term Program Goals & Measures (Group)**

- **PIs General Discussion: FY22 Performance Indicators:** KC – All PIs on track
- **1. Develop Stand-Alone HPMPs/PSPA:** KC summarized the evolution of the Long-Term Goals (LTGs). FY22 The Dalles and MNA are the FY22 Targets for HPMP/PSPA, they are well under way and making good progress. Chief Joseph has had some challenges, and Hungry Horse should be executed soon.

JK talked about the challenges at Chief Joseph. When the final HPMP was routed for signature, DAHP commented that they wanted more emphasis on the built environment in the project area. The built-environment has received extra emphasis in a new draft.

Lots of subsequent discussion about the notion of explicitly excluding classes of undertakings from HPMPs/PSPAs, specifically the exclusion of built environment issues, which could be handled under standard consultation(36 CFR Part 800). The CRSC will continue to discuss this issue as we update each other on the progress of PSPAs/HPMPs at future meetings.

- **2. Complete Inventory of TCPs** – Bonneville and McNary are scheduled for “reasonable and good faith” inventory of TCPs by the end of FY22.
- **6. FCRPS CR Program Collaborative Relationships** – will use the survey results to assess the status of our collaborative efforts.

### **Status of Program Documents/Initiatives**

- Updates to the FCRPS Handbook: The Program Managers met in early November to start working on the changes in the new working draft of the handbook. Scheduling time to work on it has been difficult. Hoping to make some good progress in the early new year ahead of sending out a comment draft to the CRSC.
- Treatment Plan Form reminder (MF): The 3Ps did revise the instructions, and those were sent to the group in October. Felt like all comments were incorporated.
- FCRPS Mail Lists (SH): Sean would like the group to send back comments for the mail list. Revisions due by 1/7/2022.

### **FY22 Systemwide Conference – Initial Planning (SH)**

- The 3Ps have been discussing meeting logistics. Still no real sense about the possibility of meeting in person. An email is going out to the major participants in the group requesting people to represent on a planning committee.

### **Project Round Robin (5 min overview of each Co-op Group)**

- **WPKK** – (LO) Dalles HPMP is on-going and has been delayed as of November. The draft got over 600 comments, ranging from minor typos to substantial comments. Then, an internal legal review also resulted in a lot of comments. They’ve done a lot of treatments and stabilizations lately and refocused on contracts and work the Tribes want to do going forward. They do have the John Day fencing project that will start next month if things stay on course. Other treatments for the year include addressing some sign placement, some vegetation management at 35UM1 and Memaloose Island. Simpler projects this year. They are also leaning forward on their non-federal land surveys. They have engaged planning experts to help with this process (Corps’ Plan Formulation Section, which is heavy on public engagement). One final success, LO did get back a bunch of artifacts from CRITFE, which helps address a long-term issue.
- **PKC (CMC)**: Workshop contracts are getting into contracting and will include monitoring and some limited inventory as appropriate. We have been getting contract deliverables and closing out some contracts. PKC also completed a treatment at 45WW13, which included some soil added to a looter pit, some signage, and engaging an adjacent landowner regarding off-road vehicle use at the site. Also anticipating closing out the treatment at the Wildhorse petroglyph, which includes structures-from-motion documentation. Also completed the removal of some graffiti at another petroglyph site in the McNary Pool. Anticipating some future construction design contracts. Also, Palouse Canyon mitigation with all of the participant tribes. Tule

planting planned at a site on Lower Granite. PSPA/HPMP for McNary are both out for an initial 60-day technical review to all of the consulting parties.

- **Chief Joseph and Albeni Falls (JK, JR):** Chief Joseph going well, contracts are currently on multi-year option-year contracts, so the new contracts were easier. Story map contract, plant inventory survey are live, and can actually include additional option years. Also working on a new contract for the human remain detection dogs, not subcontracted through the Tribe. Should be awarded early in the Calendar year. HPMP is ongoing as discussed above. Planning meeting is next week. The CCT did ask for extensions on four task orders from the previous year. Also developing a new IDIQ contract with the Tribe this year, to be awarded for the start of FY23. **Albeni Falls** – Trying to award three new contracts this year. One with the Kalispell will be smaller than past year, at the request of the tribe, some will be open competition work, also monitoring at 10BR05. FY23 will need a new curation contract to cover them until the Mandatory Center of Expertise (MCX) takes over. Jen will be switching out to take the Albeni Falls group. Finished 10BR90 stabilization. Developing two new TPFs to conduct repairs of existing bank stabilizations.
- **Proposed Dworshak Cooperating Group (CMC, MF, SMH):** provided some status updates on the request from the Nez Perce to establish this group. Internal discussions at Corps ongoing.
- **Grand Coulee Mainstem (DB and GA):** Focus in FY22 is going to be the PSPA. Also have basic program activities. Not as much survey, but active monitoring of sites during drawdown. The lake did not get drawn-down as much this year - 20-30 feet less than usual. The CCT were going to go back out to complete an emergency salvage, but the work is pending. The group is working on seven additional stabilization projects, also some Tribal preservation type efforts. Having issues getting private land access for DOEs.
- **Grand Coulee - Spokane Arm (DB and AN):** DB shared photos of ongoing work in the Spokane Arm, including the stabilization of 45LI377, which appears to be holding nicely post-rec season. Group is continuing subsequent phases of this project, expanding the stabilization. The stabilization is a thin layer of fill, followed by a carbon-fiber webbing packed with gravel, and then more fill on top (GeoCell). Some of our major partners are undergoing a lot of change in personnel, which may affect our ability to complete work. The PSPA here will also be an area of focus. AN also reminded CRSC to consider the potential impacts of the Infrastructure Bill.
- **Libby (SM and KP):** Had their 1<sup>st</sup> quarter meeting in November. The long-term goal for the next 2-3 years is to get lots of sites determined eligible, and get input from the CSKT. Need these to support all the good mitigation ideas the group has. Also working with the USFS and the CSKT to update the forest's management plan. Also, an effort to monitor at 24LN510 to track vandalism and naturally deteriorating forces at the pictograph site there. Working on updating and expanding the 2017 trails contract. Want to do the DOEs for the sites recorded in 2017, also beef up the deliverables from 2017, which were minimal. Also, adding some ARPA signage at 24LN1020/24LN1025, which the tribe has chosen to support. Group would also like to develop a story map and would appreciate seeing examples from the other groups.
- **Hungry Horse (DB and JP)** – the PSPA is ready for signature by the agencies, and then will go out to the consulting parties. Lots of site monitoring. HH and Flathead NF are really reeling from the big bump in recreation seen this past summer, and it's an issue that the group is addressing.

The group is also working through an ethnobotany report for the Project, and it's going well. Also working through DOEs for the dam itself and they've seen comments from the Keeper on these, and they discovered that the Keeper of the Register will review draft DOEs, and this should be very helpful to avoid unexpected comments at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour, because the Reclamation will need to resubmit the forms for signature by the SHPO and other signatories. There has been some discussion with the group to discuss data recovery, something that the group hasn't supported since 1994, and the Tribe is developing a position on the proposed work.

- **Other - SH (Posted in the Chat)** - 11th round of US-Canadian negotiations held last week.

**Previous Action Items:**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Status</b>
KC will solicit feedback from Tribes regarding their desire to participate in a TCP subcommittee meeting regarding TCP treatment and methods. Request additional agenda topics that the Tribes would like to discuss at the subcommittee meeting. Will begin discussion at co-op meetings.	KC updated at December CRSC (On-Going)
MF will review and incorporate edits to the directions to complete TPF and send out a new version	MF Updated – Emailed 10/29/2021 (Complete)
The FCRPS Consulting party survey will need to be assigned to a P, to be discussed later, assigned to SCH	MF will be leading survey effort (Complete)
Distribute Federal Advisory Committee Act List	KC email 9/1/2021 (Complete)
Send FCRPS Handbook Revision table to CRSC for review and additions	KC email 10/28/2021 (Complete)
Discuss Curation Related Definitions	Not added to December agenda; see new action item

**New Action Items from this Meeting:**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Status</b>
SM see if the Veterans Curation Program to see if they offer standard curation definitions.	Update at March CRSC
FY21 Annual Report Tables and Appendices	Due 1/7/2022 to GA
Client Survey draft questions	Survey committee to share questions after their next meeting.
Share DAHP comments on Chief Joseph HPMP	JR email on 12/14/2021
Add PSPAs/HPMPs as standing agenda topic for the foreseeable future (and consider specifically continuing built environment in HPMP/PSPA topic)	SH or MF to add to March CRSC agenda
Update the FCRPS CR Program Mail List	Due to SH by 1/7/2022
DB to send out design drawings of the 45LI377 stabilization	When DB gets the time

- Next meeting – March 8 and 9, 2022; Next Notetaker – Sarah MacIntosh