

NATIONAL TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER TEAM
MEETING SUMMARY
April 7, 2010
8 - 11 AM Central Time

Participants

AR – **Lois Uranowski**
HDQ – **John Craynon**, Josh Rockwell, Carmen Fells
MCR – **Kimery Vories** (Team Leader)
WR – Duane Matt, Dale Herbort, **Vernon Maldonado**
TIPS – **Lou Hamm**
NTTP – Sarah Donnelly, **Tom Hines**
IMCC – **Greg Conrad**
WEIB – Dave Berry
NAAML – John Koerth, Tom Henderson
MR **Jerry Heltsley**
WR **Dave Clark**
AR **Paul Rothman**
Attendees in **Bold**

WR Report

- April 22, 2010 Presentation by MT and CO of new collaborative E-Permitting process called BrassCap to OSM.
- New Mexico is imaging all of its old files and graphics and will make it available in house on a searchable intranet. It will be crawler searchable.
- Navajo Nation DNR has invited OSM AML to partner in their 5-year strategic plan. April 12, 2010 they will hold a conference to initiate the cooperative effort.

MCR Report

- **Protecting Threatened Bats at Coal Mines. August 31-Sept 3, 2010 Charleston, WV.** *Currently working advertising this event.*
- **BCI MOU** - MCR has been working with Bat Conservation International to renew the earlier 5-year agreement. MCR is preparing a draft MOU for this effort.
- **MCR AMD Workshop in Evansville, Indiana** – Plans are progressing on a regional workshop focusing on passive treatment of AMD in *April 13 & 14, 2010*. 56 participants registered from 6 MCR states 1 AR state, 3 OSM, 1 USFS, and 4 consultants.
- **Ohio State University CCB Research** – Research is now entering Stage 2 which is field implementation. MCR was involved with a conference call with OSM representatives from AR and the OSU researchers on their plans for conducting their field research.
- **EPA CCB Rulemaking** – MCR staff have been providing input to HDQ for OMB on comments on the proposed EPA rulemaking that would remove the beneficial use category for mine placement and require that disposal would constitute a hazardous waste designation. OMB has extended the Federal comment period by 30 days. EPA has announced it will publish a proposed rule April 15.

AR Report:

- Core team planning the **2010 JSMR Mine Reclamation joint conference (ASMR, ARRI, PA Watershed Coalitions and AR Technology Transfer)** is ongoing. Conference will be held June 5-11, 2010 in Pittsburgh, PA. Information on registration and program can be found at <http://www.pghminingreclamationconf.com/>
- NAAML P Conference in Scranton, PA AR will coordinate the exhibit.
- ARTT fall meeting in August.

NTTP Report

- The NTTP Steering Committee met on February 3 & 4.
- The development team for the SMCRA Principles and Filed Procedures course conducted a Dry Run of the course the week of February 22-26. The State and OSM reviewers were Sandy Brown (CO), Steve Herbert (INAML), Butch Lambert (VA), Lewis Halstead (WV), Alani Taylor (OSMTUL), Fred Klimas (OSM-Knoxville) and Glenn Waugh (OSM-Olympia)
- The development team for the new Acid Forming Materials: Soils and Overburden conducted a dry run of the new course in February.
- Sarah Donnelly recently notified the Federal, State and Tribal Program Directors informing them of the upcoming pilot offering of the SMCRA Principles and Field Procedures course. She also inquired that if they had training space allocations for the scheduled Principles of Inspection (POI) courses for this year, would they like those nominees to instead attend the SMCRA Principles Course. After receipt of their input regarding this new course, the decisions will be made relative to the scheduling of this year's POI courses.
- The week of April 6-9 saw the presentation of the AML Reclamations Projects Course with the additions of some of the update information and modules from the course revision efforts.

HEADQUARTERS Report

Status of on EPA rulemaking concerning CCBs

Status of Stream protection rulemaking

Status of hiring a new hydrologist

TIPS Report

- Training schedule in progress.
- Series of courses with Adams State College in Alamosa, CO: Mobile Computing and Autocad courses. Assisting in E-learning modification of existing courses with software assistance. Will provide mechanism for earning full college credits for TIPS courses.
- GIS strategy development with NCMGC that has memberships in all states. Goal is to have all mine data in every state available in GIS format.

IMCC Report

- No report

WEIB Report

- No report

NAAMLPL Report

- The 32nd **Annual National Association of Abandoned Mine Land Programs (NAAMLPL) Conference** will be in Scranton, Pennsylvania, **September 19-22, 2010**. It will be hosted by the Pennsylvania Bureau of Abandoned Mine Reclamation and will be held at the **Hilton Scranton & Conference Center**. Additional information may be found on the Association's web page at: <http://naamlp.net/>

Exhibit Schedule

The following is the current OSM exhibits planned for the calendar year 2010.

- ASMR/ARRI Pittsburgh, PA June 7-10, 2010 AR (National Coordination)
- Protecting Threatened Bats at Coal Mines Forum Charleston, WV, August 31- September 3, 2010 by MCR
- NAAMLPL Annual Meeting Scanton, PA Sept 19-22, 2010 by AR
- TX Surface Mining & Reclamation Workshop, College Station, TX October , 2010 by MCR
- TMRA Annual Meeting, TX, October 2010, by MCR
- ISMR Jasper, IN December, 2010 by MCR

Next conference call will take place **May 25 at 1 PM Central, 2010**.