

Tribal Pesticide Program Council Executive Committee

Monthly Conference Call

5/18/16

Call Notes – Final

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Roll call:

Tribes

Fred Corey – Aroostook Band of Micmacs

Nina Hapner – Kashia Band of Pomo Indians

Larry Scrapper – Cherokee Nation

Irv Provost – Oglala Sioux Tribe

Jim Mossett – Three Affiliated Tribes

Les Benedict – St Regis Mohawk Tribe

Willie Keenan – Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes

Jasmine Brown – Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes

Tribal Organizations

None

EPA

Lorry Frigerio, U.S. EPA, OPP

Amanda Hauff, U.S. EPA, OCSPP

Other

Suzanne Forsyth, University of California Davis Extension (UCDE)

AGENDA

1. Welcome/Introductions (Fred)

Fred Corey, TPPC Chair, facilitated the roll call. Attendance was logged throughout the call for 7 member tribes. The Western Region Pesticide Meeting and Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee meetings overlap with this call so the light attendance on this call is understandable. The TPPC may want to select an alternate date if we foresee potential conflicts such as this in the future.

2. EPA Updates (Lorry Frigerio & Amanda Hauff)

Lorry Frigerio reported on EPA's effort supporting tribal bed bug work. EPA has held several discussions internally and externally on the TPPC issue paper, including Susan Jennings who is the OPP lead on bed bugs. Lorry's spoken with Bob Gruenig who was especially helpful to better understand some of the background and input by the TPPC members. Lorry is looking forward to providing an update and discuss tribal bed bug efforts at the next in person meeting. Bob will be attending June meeting and Lorry plans to have another planning call with him to prepare for the session.

Amanda Hauff shared several updates:

- The week of June 6th the National Tribal Caucus will be meeting with each EPA Program Office throughout the week as well as hold the National Tribal Operations Committee Meeting with EPA Senior Leadership
- Wednesday, June 8, 12:45pm - 5:00pm, the National Tribal Operations Committee Meeting. Topics: 1) Impact of Lead on Human Health and 2) Enhancing Tribal Engagement in International Relations

Action item: Amanda to follow up with AIEO to determine if tribal representatives can listen in

- Thursday, June 9, 2:00pm-3:30pm, the NTC One-on-One Discussion with OCSPP. NTC Chair, Billy Maines invited the NTTC Chair and TPPC Chair to participate.

Action item: Amanda/Fred to follow up to determine Fred's participation

- Friendly reminder: EPA's Tribal ecoAmbassadors Program Grant Program will be accepting applications for this RFP through Friday, June 17, 2016, at 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time (ET).
- EPA's Tribal ecoAmbassadors Program is now soliciting grant proposals. The Tribal ecoAmbassadors Program Request for Proposals (RFP #EPA-OITA-AIEO-2016-001) is designed to assist Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCU) to conduct research on environmental and climate change issues within their campus and tribal communities. With this RFP, the EPA is seeking to award several grants of up to \$50,000 to enable awardees to prepare course curriculum, conduct their research project, select student participants, and identify equipment and materials necessary to successfully complete their science research study within a one academic year time frame. Specific problems that may be addressed include, but are not limited to: climate change mitigation, climate change adaptation, air quality, water quality, and waste management. For a copy of the Tribal ecoAmbassadors Program RFP, please visit <https://www.epa.gov/tribal/tribal-ecoambassadors-program>.
- OCSPP Tribal Consultations: At this time, OCSPP does not have any scheduled or upcoming tribal consultations taking place.

3. TPPC Tribal Administrator Update (Suzanne Forsyth)

a) Planning for June 2016 Meeting

- Twin Arrows Casino Hotel, Flagstaff, Tuesday-Wednesday, June 21-22, 2016. Meeting info shared via email and is now on TPPC website here: <http://tppcwebsite.org/meetings-1/>. Deadline, a draft agenda and travel info are all linked there.
- Current enrollments are 20 tribes, 4 EPA.
- All but 2 people have ticketed
- Hotel reservation deadline is this May 22. No extension on the rate after this date.
- Bob Gruenig will attend to assist with sessions as needed.

b) Planning for October 2016 Meeting

- Pauma Tribe and Miguel Hernandez will host in Temecula, CA. Dates are Oct 4-5, 2016.
- Kristy is researching logistics and rates and will report back soon.

c) Planning for Spring 2017 Meeting

- TPPC Spring 2016 meeting after AAPCO on March 8-10. Overlap 1 day (Mar 8). Full Council meeting shall be Wed-Thurs, March 8-9; Exec Committee shall meet half day Friday, March 10, travel in afternoon.
- Sent the dates to Dea Zimmerman who manages the FIFRA calendar. Amanda Hauff has secured meeting space for TPPC at OPP Headquarters.

d) TPPC Appointment Letters – Several more appointment letters were received and placed on DropBox. 25 total.

e) Welcome Region 4 Representative, Cherise Maples from the Seminole Tribe of Florida. Invites sent to Cherise for this meeting and June meeting.

f) TPPC Website is Active!

The website is active and we are working to build the meetings archive and resources; www.TPPCwebsite.org. The *.net and *.com extensions redirect to this URL as well. Please visit the site and send feedback to Suzanne on what you would like to see there.

Action item: Send Willie contact info for Cherise so they can send info on PIRT

4. Action Item Review – Major Focus of Call (Fred, Nina, Suzanne) (see attachment)

Members engaged in a rigorous review of the action item list. Items 1- 12 were addressed and the balance were re-visited and updated. Completed action items will eventually come off but are shown at the bottom of the document for now.

Action item Nina Hapner to send a proposal to members in advance that folks can vote on at the June meeting.

Action item: Suzanne to ask Bob to help explain some of the voting portions of P&P at June Meeting.

Other action items are contained in the action item chart shared with members concurrently with these notes.

5. Pesticide Label Matching Application (Mardi Klevs) (3:30 PM EST)

This will be rescheduled until June 8. Amanda will assist with having this scheduled and presented.

6. Other Issues/Concerns/Hot Topics (All)

MP3 Symposium Committee will be having a call this Friday to wrap up items from its March event. Not certain when meeting proceedings or recordings will be available.

7. Next TPPC Conference Call (Wednesday, June 8, 2016, 2-4 p.m. EDT)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- State-FIFRA Issues Research and Evaluation Group (SFIREG) Summer Meeting: June 13th-14th, 2016, Arlington, VA
- Pesticide Program Dialogue Committee (PPDC) Meeting: May 18-19, 2016, Arlington, VA
- TPPC Spring Meeting: June 21-22, 2016, Navajo, (Flagstaff), AZ
- Tribal PIRT (Pesticide Inspector Regulatory Training), hosted by Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribe: August 16-18, 2016, Polson, MT
- IPM for Tribal Schools Workshop, sponsored by the Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona and U.S. EPA Region IX: August 31 – September 1, 2016, Chandler, AZ