

OGIC HYDRO MEETING
June 2, 1999, 9:30 am - 12 pm
BLM District Office, Salem

Agenda items:

1) Oregon-Washington hydro framework coordination. Bob gave a quick run down on the coordination meeting held May 13th at the REO in Portland with representatives from the Washington Hydrography Framework group. Basically, it was agreed that the state hydro groups should continue to cooperate and already had a good degree of commonality between the models.

The OGIC Hydro group spent much of the remaining time going through a comparison document prepared by Ken Reister, Washington DNR, to focus on differences between the models and develop strategies for reducing them as much as possible. The group decided to arrange a meeting with technical representatives from the Washington Hydro Framework team to work out the remaining differences. Bob said that he would work with Carl Harris, WA Hydro project manager, to arrange a meeting. The group proposed the dates of June 14, 16, or 17 for the meeting.

2) Watersheds. Dale (REO) reported that Chester Novak, BLM State Steward for Hydrography, was working with representatives from the Wallowa-Whitman and Umatilla National Forests to develop proposed 5th-field watershed boundaries, at 24K, for the upper and lower Grande Ronde basins. They should be finalized at the next net meeting of the watershed group on June 9th. From there they will move south to the Powder river basin. Dan (BLM SO) said that he would try to get more assistance from the BLM districts in that area since they are land managers for most of the area, especially in the Malheur and Owyhee basins.

There was some discussion about the desire to speed up the certification process by expanding the number of person that can certify watershed boundaries beyond Bruce McCammon (USFS, Region 6) and Chester. A conclusion was not reached, but it will be considered by the watershed group and the IRICC.

3) Process tracking/Clearinghouse. Dale spoke with Stan Allen, Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission (PSMFC), concerning the proposal from last month's meeting to incorporate the OGIC hydro tracking database template into the 'clickable' map on the StreamNet web page. PSMFC will try to get it incorporated by the end of June.

4) BLM-Salem & Willamette NF hydro test status. Ken (Willamette NF) and his staff are working out differences in LLID coding from various sources from within their forest. Otherwise, the process is still going.

Next meeting. The next meeting will be Monday, July 12th, from 9:30 am to noon at the BLM Salem District office, Table Rock Room. *rh, 6/11/99*