

**Oregon/Washington Hydrography Framework Groups
Meeting Notes
REO, Portland, OR
September 18, 2002**

Attendees

Bob Harmon	OWRD	Dan Wickwire	BLM
Gene Thorley	USGS	Cedric Cooney	ODFW
Carrie Wolfe	WA DNR	Jim Edmonds	REO
Carl Harris	WA DNR	Emmor Nile	ODF
Dale Guenther	REO	Mike Schuft	ODF
Ken Adee	USFS	Brandt Melick	City of Springfield

Introductions & agenda adjustments

Clearinghouse

Dale said that he was working with ESRI (NW/Olympia) on a new contract to upgrade the Clearinghouse software to ArcInfo 8.2 and include the new 5th and 6th field watersheds as themes that can be checked in/out for editing.

Key points:

- Delivery of update with Watersheds; installation Sept 30
- Beta test plan will be drafted by Dale by Fri. (9/20)
- Dale will send out document on fixes that ESRI is supposed to make during this update
- Beta test starting in October – functionality and load testing for both hydrography and watersheds
 - BLM OSO
 - FS SIU and other (Ken will check)
 - Oregon (Bob will be the lead)
 - DNR (Carl will be the lead)
- ***Framework server up and running by Jan 2003 (est.)***

Steward sign up

Key points:

- ID's stewards for each 5th field as well as primary steward (Area Data Manager)
 - Each person on the list will be e-mailed when an update occurs in an area where they are a stewards: <http://ims.reo.gov/website/hydrostewards>
 - All updates must be approved by Agency Lead Steward unless request for change in Area Data Manager from one agency to another (which would

- be handled by multiple affected agencies)
- Roles:
 - Agency Lead Steward – Bruce, Chester, Carl, Bob
 - Area Data Manager – Single lead person for a 5th field (e.g. Michelle McSwain, Ruth Tracy) from participating Agency Area Data Stewards.
 - Agency Area Data Steward – Person responsible providing edits to a 5th field watershed – can be multiple AADS Ruth Tracy etc.
 - Interested Parties: People (anyone) who wants to be notified when edits are made.
- Dale will adjust the signup site to reflect these role name changes
- Stewardship applies to both hydrography and watersheds

Training manual

Key points:

- Essentially done – still need to incorporate Watershed transactions
- Manual, tools for route and event editing, training dataset, installation instructions
- Generic and BLM specific packages
- BLM first training in Jan

Users Guide

- Bob will send out current version of the guide to us. It still needs work
 - Sections
 - Table of Contents
 - Intro
 - Roles and Responsibilities
 - Clearinghouse Transactions (new – Dale)
 - Spatial Accuracy
 - Water Points
 - Water Bodies and Shorelines
 - Water Courses
 - Watersheds (new – Dale)
 - Management of Event Tables (new - Dale et. Al.)
 - Guidelines for Populating Feature Level Metadata
 - Guidelines for Long Term Maintenance
 - Initial Data Integration
 - Appendices or supplementary documentation
 - Hydro Data Dictionary
 - Watershed Data Dictionary
 - Training Guide
 - FGDC Metadata Template

- Watersheds data dictionary on the REO website

Guidelines for Long Term maintenance

Everyone agreed to keep this as a chapter in the Users Guide.

Key points:

- Needs to have terms synchronized with the Roles and Responsibilities
- After edits to Roles and Responsibilities are made (Dan, Ken, Dale will provide edited document) then we will review and edit this document

Metadata templates

Key points:

- Need to review the feature types that are include in each theme (as determined by hydr_ftr_cd, and cart_ftr_cd). Need to consider scale. Carl will help. Ken will send his crosswalk (from FS_Translate to Carl and Dan, Brandt bmelick@ci.springfield.or.us)
- Dan will add the watershed metadata template

Disclaimer

Key points:

- Dale will get his boss to review and then send to the FS and BLM.

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Key points:

- Current BLM edited version needs to be reviewed by Framework participants by Oct 4 – comments to Dale.
- Edited version needs to be reviewed by the following:
 - Oregon Attorney General's office
 - FS – Monty Bell
 - BLM – Lisa Blackburn/ Cindy Fredrickson.
 - Washington ??? – Carl will find out who
- Signatories – Target December 1.
 - Chair of Oregon Geographic Information Council (for Administrative Services)
 - Oregon BLM State Director
 - Region 6 FS Regional Forester
 - Washington??? – Carl will find out who – Commissioner of Public Lands?

OR Fish Habitat Distribution Data Development

Cedric Cooney gave an overview of this project.

Key points:

- 1:24K hardcopy maps of existing fish habitat distribution (scheduled to be available in Oct)
 - Started with 1:100K distributions
 - Reviews by State, Federal and Private
 - Primarily for salmonids
 - Not cutthroats
 - Mapped barriers (scheduled to be available in Nov)
 - Documented observations of fish presence
 - Confidence level of presence where there are no documented observations
 - Website: <http://www.orst.edu/dept/nrimp/24k/index.html>

WA status

The group welcomed back Carl after a 16-month absence.

Key points:

- Need to finish fish habitat modeling for Legislature as first priority
- Still committed to the Framework
- Carl is working with Forest Practices (DNR) to figure the best way to maintain regulatory information.
- FS will be submitting their datasets to Framework initially. Integration agreements with DNR are still in tact.

OR Status

Key points:

- BLM/FS integration proceeding on 23 subbasins
- Should be ready to submit some of those to the Framework server when it comes up in Jan.

Next meeting

Tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, November 26th, at the REO (conference room, 2nd floor), in Portland, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Notes: R. Harmon, with a lot of help from K. Adee (key points).