

Irrigated Ag Working Group

Charge from Groundwater Management Area Advisory Committee

Working Group Members

Dr. Kefy Desta (WSU), Dr. Troy Peters (WSU) Elizabeth Sanchey (Yakama Nation), Jean Mendoza (Friends of Toppenish Creek), Jim Trull (Roza-Sunnyside Joint Board of Control), John Van Wingerden (Port of Sunnyside), Lonna Frans (U.S. Geological Survey), Ralph Fisher (EPA), Ron Cowin (SVID), Stuart Turner (Turner & Co.), Thomas Tebb (Department of Ecology), Ginny Prest (Dept of Ag), Laurie Crowe (South Yakima Conservation District), Scott Stephen (Citizen), Mike Shuttleworth (Citizen), Chelsea Durfey (Citizen), Lino Guerra (Citizen), Doug Simpson (Farmer)

Meetings/Calls Dates

Meeting: 2:30 PM – 4:30 PM Thursday, September 19, 2013

Participants

Bob Stevens, Chelsea Durfey, Dave Fraser, Don Jameson, Doug Simpson, Frank Lyall, Ginny Prest, Gordon Kenyon, Jim Trull, Laurie Crowe, Rosalio Brambila, Scott Stephen, Dr Troy Peters, Pony Ellingson, Kathleen Rogers, Ralph Fisher

Key Discussion Points

Agenda:

- ☐ Introduction of new members – Each member should be prepared to give a 1-2 minute introduction to help the rest of the committee get to know them and to understand what they can provide to the committee.
- ☐ Review of Deep Soil Sampling Program provided by PGG.
- ☐ Reports of activities.
- ☐ Set next meeting date.

Introduction of New Members

New and current members formally introduced themselves and gave a brief description of their background/occupation and what they could contribute to this group.

Review of Draft Deep Soil Sampling Plan provided by PGG

Jim stated that they collected a lot of comments and those were shown in “track changes” in the Draft Deep Soil Sampling Plan (DSSP).

It was suggested that the Title Page be formatted as GWMA letterhead in partnership with PGG as PGG is responsible for facilitating the Plan. Pony responded that the document would have a better life as a GWMA document than PGG. It was decided that they would discuss this with Yakima County.

Discussions followed regarding editing different sections of the Plan. Editing included the addition and omission of select phrases and content throughout the document.

Reports of activities.

No discussion.

Set next meeting date

The next Irrigated Ag Working Group Meeting will be Thursday, Oct 3 at 3:00 PM via phone conference.

Resources Requested

None at this time.

Recommendations for GWAC

None at this time.