

Other Sources Work Group

Conference Call March 14, 2006, 9:00 AM MST

Participants:

Attendees: Walt Brown, Forest Service/Bureau of Land Management (note taker); Stacy Simms, American Lung Association of Colorado/Clean Cities Coalition; Zack Tibodeau, Beaver Creek Resorts/Vail Associates; Rita Trujillo, New Mexico Environment Department (left early); Bev Warburton; Rebecca Reynolds, Facilitator

Introduction: Ms. Reynolds opened the call and asked for participants to state their names/affiliations.

Ms. Reynolds explained that many questions came up during the Durango meeting that made the coordinators realize that they could provide greater clarification for Task Force members. Toward this end, some new documents were developed that will be the focus of this call. They are:

Work Group Process Guide
Mitigation Option Development Examples
List of Mitigation Options Examples
Technical Background Information Outline

Communication: It is important for work group members to use the website to track meeting dates and schedules, as well as other Task Force materials. Please don't just rely on heads up emails from Mark Jones. We will endeavor to email reminders on conf calls with 48 hour notice. We will also email notice to all task force members when we add things to the website so you do not have to keep checking.

Also, no contact information for task force members will be distributed. There is a list of names/affiliations and locations of all members posted on the website. At all quarterly meetings space will be provided for task force members who would like to share their contact information and other materials.

1. Review Documents

Work Group Process Guide: Ms. Reynolds gave a brief overview of the Work Group Process Guide, beginning with a discussion of the mission of the task force. She emphasized that any pollutants and issues could be addressed by the work groups, but that the intent is not to duplicate efforts between work groups. For example, if someone from the Other Sources group has ideas about mitigation strategies for Power Plants, they are welcome to add them, but through the Power Plant group, not the Other Sources group.

She also noted that it was not necessary to have consensus. Differing perspectives will be accommodated in the mitigation strategies papers by allowing individuals or groups to write paragraphs expressing opposing views. All of these will be included in the option paper, as long as everyone strives to keep their material brief so that the report does not become ungainly. A

discussion of the work group charters followed. The Cumulative Effects work group, formerly the Modeling work group, and the Monitoring work group are both in supporting roles of the source work groups, as explained in the charters. Reynolds emphasized that we are looking to promote good synergy / cross pollination among the work groups, as appropriate. It was explained that the task force does not have much of a budget for new modeling or monitoring, so if gaps or needs are identified, these can be included as suggestions in the Task Force final report.

The Task Force Guiding Principles were briefly reviewed. The revised guiding principles include edits from the Feb 8, 2006 Durango task force meeting.

The parameters of the task force were also reviewed. Ms. Reynolds emphasized that consensus on options is not necessary, and that a broad range of options should be developed for review by the air quality regulatory agencies.

To illustrate the Outline for the Source Work Groups section, Ms. Reynolds directed the participants' attention to the **Mitigation Option Development Examples**. Options should be developed by work groups by first reviewing background technical information, then brainstorming mitigation options, and then selecting work teams to develop each option. If no one is interested in developing an option, then that option will not be included in the task force report. The entire task force will have an opportunity to comment on each of the options; the work groups will revise the options as needed, and the final options will be incorporated into the final report of the task force. There will also be a web-based broad review of the document before it is finalized.

The List of Mitigation Option Examples was presented as only a list of potential options, to act as a starting point and not as a comprehensive list. There are many other mitigation options available.

The Technical Background Information Outline was developed to help the work groups review what material is being included in the Fact Sheets that are currently being developed. These are scheduled to be completed and posted on the web this week. Groups should use background information as a starting point for their work, and be aware that there is limited funding to do new modeling or monitoring at this time.

Zach T. suggested that the status of pending air-related legislation and rulemaking at federal, state and local levels be included. Agreed.

Please email Mark Jones with any additional information that you think should be included in the Fact Sheets.

2. Discussion

Other Sources Group Areas of Interest Identified at Durango Meeting (see work group notes as posted on the 4C website)

Three high impact source areas: Biogenic, Mobile and long range transport (mostly from Phoenix)

Idling Vehicles (diesel trucks) seen as issue

Durango train seen as issue, but feeling is there is little to be done due to economic influence

Mentioned green house gases; smoke from wildfires; dust from storms and also mining and

crushers; dry cleaners, retail fuel sales (gas stations); residential: open burning, fireplaces

Land use patterns deserve attention

Emphasize transportation and Diesel (lots of feeling on Diesel, much due to train and trucking)

Public transportation not clean enough

Include alternate fuels such as bio-diesel, ethanol, Compressed Natural Gas (CNG), hybrids

Include solar power and wind

Promote incentive based controls rather than just rules

Emission controls, vapor collection on gas pumps

Cleaner emissions from public transportation

Renewable Energy

3. Other Issues

Question marks are showing up instead of bullets on PDF of the Work Group Process Guide.

Need to research this problem.

4. Next Call: April 11th, 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. (MST)

- Review background material

- Prioritize tasks

- Idling Vehicles – Zack T. expressed specific interest in pursuing this issue and will take a stab at drafting a paper on possible mitigation options in the outline format. He will have something to review for the April call.

Rebecca will look into why so few were involved on today's call, and will follow-up to be sure the April call will be better attended.

May meeting: bring bios, start developing options for development teams to work on.

Call adjourned: 10:00 a.m. (MST)