

**Meeting Summary**  
**WRIA 54 Lower Spokane River**  
**January 25, 2005**

**Initiating Agency and Implementing Government members recorded on the sign in sheet were:**

Lloyd Brewer, City of Spokane	Fran Bessermin, Lake Spokane Protection Assoc.
Mike Coster, City of Spokane Wastewater	Wesley McCart, Landowner/Washington Farm Bureau
Rob Lindsay, Spokane County	Stan Miller, Spokane County
Bill Gilmour, Spokane County	Christy Brown, CLB Planning
Brian Crossley, Spokane Tribe	Keith Holliday, WDOE
Randy Connolly, Spokane Tribe	Susan Dar, Paliades Neighborhood
Jim DeGraffenreid, Lincoln County	Al Bendle, Landowner
Wade Carpenter, Stevens PUD #1	Lynette Allison, Landowner Willow Bay Resort
Larry Isaak, Stevens PUD #1	Ann Fackenthal, Landowner Williams Valley Grange
Merrill Ott, Stevens County Commissioner	Bart Haggin, Friends of the Little Spokane River
Margaret Tokach, Stevens County CD	Guy Tillman, Landowner
Mark Curtis, Stevens County CD	Richard Reymer, Landowner

**Meeting began 5:00 pm**

Christy Brown opened the meeting at 5:00 pm. The attendees were each given the opportunity to introduce themselves and what interest or organization they represent. Christy Brown explained that a sign-in sheet was being passed around and asked all attendees to please sign-in and provide contact information.

The meeting summary for the December 2, 2004 WRIA 54 meeting was distributed and discussed. Jim DeGraffenreid noted that his name appeared twice on the meeting summary attendance record. Bill Gilmour said he would make the change. Merrill Ott motioned to accept the December 2, 2004 meeting summary and Lloyd Brewer seconded.

**Public Comment**

No public comment was offered

**Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) Update**

Bill Gilmour provided an update on the MOA status. Comments from Spokane County will be submitted via email to the other Initiating Agencies. In general, the group discussed why this has not been completed as of yet and the possibility of a completion date for the MOA. Rob Lindsay explained that the Spokane County Utilities Director has concerns about the opt-out provision and has the best interest of the process in mind.

**Results of the December Public Meeting**

Many of the people attending this meeting had not attended a watershed-planning meeting before. Bill gave a summary of what happened at the December 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> 2004 public meetings.

Next Bill explained how the Phase II Scope of Work (SOW) was developed. It was adapted from the WRIA 55/57 Phase II SOW by the WRIA 54 Phase II SOW Work Group. Bill also referred to the list of Potential Planning Unit members and explained that the source document for the list of Potential Planning Unit members was the WRIA 55/57 Planning Unit member list. Bill encouraged the attendees to review the list and make suggestions on how to make it more comprehensive.

Stan Miller explained that the public meetings held in December were very important for getting information out to the community and asked the current attendees to increase their networking to let others know about this process.

### **Approach to Recruiting Watershed Planning Volunteers**

Rob presented a power point presentation on watershed planning on a laptop. The power point presentation will be provided to any meeting attendee that wishes to utilize it to educate the public on the watershed planning process.

In general, it was agreed the best approach to recruiting volunteers is by providing a presentation about watershed planning to the organization, group or association that each attendee represents. Another approach is to contact each of the entities on the list of Potential Planning Unit members and schedule a presentation at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the organization, group or association. The presentation can be packaged as a six-month update. Our goal is to keep the groups, organizations and associations updated on the progress.

### **Phase I Financial Update and Project Schedule**

Bill gave a brief update regarding the WRIA 54 Phase I financial status. The Phase I budget is nearly exhausted. However, the public involvement process needs additional effort. The general opinion of the meeting attendees was that additional public meeting(s) need to be scheduled in the coming months, sometime in spring 2005. Exact dates were not discussed.

### **Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

### **Wrap-up and Adjourn**

Bill invited the attendees to take a copy of the list of Potential Planning Unit members and Phase II Scope of Work. He requested attendees to read through and comment on the list of Potential Planning Unit members and Phase II Scope of Work and to return comments as soon as possible.

The meeting attendees also discussed alternating meeting times and locations with the intent of attracting additional landowners and community members. The alternating of daytime and evening time meetings and alternating locations for meetings hopefully will increase membership and attendance.

Several options were offered for the next meeting location. The Tum Tum Community Center will likely be the next meeting location. Bill Gilmour committed to arrange for a location for the next meeting on March 22, 2005 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.