

WTWG MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, November 7, 2016, @ 1:00 PM

Attendees: Dave Brown, Tyson Carlson, Stuart Crane, Mark Dunbar, Carron Helberg, Stan Isley, Jonathan Kohr, Chris Lynch, Larry Martin, Meghan O'Brien, Tom Ring, Ron Van Gundy, Kurt Walker, Anne Watanabe (phone).

Approval of Minutes: August 29, 2016 and October 3, 2016 were approved

Previous Business:

- 2017-02 Borton Packing Center LLC: Change in season and place of use. Stan talked about impairment and the need for an agreement with a water management plan and address how the 15 gallons per minutes will go back into the system. Needs new language provided by Dan Haller, stating that Borton 'shall not use until the management plan is adopted by Ecology', updating the one-pager. Tom Ring wants to see the final approved water resource management plan. **Pending the amendment, Thumbs Up when Ecology adopts the final management plan.**
- 2017-10 Longmeier: Tom Ring asserted that no new unmitigated outdoor water be authorized above Lake Cle Elum in the upper Cle Elum River drainage. The proposed mitigation takes care of TWSA, but does not provide replacement water in the unregulated reach above the reservoir. No justification for 500 square feet of lawn and garden irrigation up there. The 500 square feet of outdoor irrigation seems to be in New Suncadia's standard mitigation water packages offered, and should be indoor use only in this case. Kurt talked about how Ecology looks at this, whether Ecology has the authority to deny outdoor use in this case, the contract is not where to look, and is a trigger to require additional consultation with the fisheries services. Tom talked about a future conversation with the various parties. Larry suggested Joe Mentor and Jessica Kuchan or Ecology talk to the client to see if they are okay with no outdoor irrigation. IF indoor use only, then that is ok and would be a thumbs up. **Pending – On hold.**

New Business:

- 2017-12 Peare: 1 WBN well, 1 domestic supply with 500 ft<sup>2</sup> of outdoor irrigation, Masterson Water Bank mitigation, \$500 to Teanaway local mitigation fund, Exchange Contract use from September 16 through October 31, pumping impacts Teanaway River, place of use is between Hwy 970 and the Teanaway River. Tom noted there may be floodplain issues with this building site, and offered a disclaimer about knowledge of land use along the river when WTWG makes recommendations, but that is out of the purview of the WTWG. **Thumbs Up.**

- 2017-13 Kahneeta LLC: A Morgan Creek area WBN well on the east shore of Lake Cle Elum, for 1 domestic supply and 500 ft<sup>2</sup> of outdoor irrigation, Western Water Partners Water Bank mitigation (former Kuchin Whiskey Creek right), Exchange Contract use from September 1 through March 31, pumping impacts to Morgan Creek and Lake Cle Elum. **Thumbs Up.**
- 2017-14 Cascade Investment Group LLC: 3 WBN wells north of Bell Creek along the east shore of Lake Cle Elum, for 6 domestic supplies and 3,000 ft<sup>2</sup> total of outdoor irrigation, mitigation by Western Water Partners Water Bank (Kuchin Whiskey Creek right?), Exchange Contract use from September 16 through March 31, pumping impacts to Lake Cle Elum. This is consistent with the Kittitas County mitigation program with 275 gallons per day per domestic use because they also purchased outside irrigation water, not the 350 gallons per day for in-house-only domestic use required in the Kittitas County mitigation program where no irrigation water is purchased. **Thumbs Up.**
- 2017-15 Pearl: It is a permit rather than a WBN (not located in the upper county rule area), 1 well for 1 domestic supply, 250 gallons per day, no lawn and garden irrigation, mitigation by the S.C. Aggregate Water Bank, pumping impact is to the Yakima River above the Ellensburg Water Company diversion and Cascade Irrigation District pumpsite diversion, add Exchange Contract component for use between September 1<sup>st</sup> and October 31<sup>st</sup>. Larry Martin concurred. It will be processed under the Hillis Rule – thanks to Dan Haller for completing before he left Ecology. **Thumbs Up with Exchange Contract use.**

Next Meeting: December 5, 2016, Monday @ 1:00 PM, YFO Conference Room

Meeting Adjourned.