



**MEETING PUBLIC MINUTES**

**NTAA STANDING MONTHLY MEETING**

**January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

**NTAA Executive Committee: Primary and Alternate Representatives in Attendance**

<b>Region 1</b>	<b>Jan Paul</b>	
	<b>Marvin Cling</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Region 2</b>	<b>Angela Benedict</b>	<b>X</b>
	<b>Steve Smith</b>	
<b>Region 4</b>	<b>Scott Hansen</b>	<b>X</b>
	<b>Tiffany Lozada</b>	
<b>Region 5</b>	<b>Brandy Toft</b>	<b>X</b>
	<b>Joy Wiecks</b>	

<b>Region 6</b>	<b>Craig Kreman</b>	
	<b>Cherylin Atcitty</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Region 7</b>	<b>Billie Toledo</b>	
	<b>Tanner Zack</b>	<b>X</b>
<b>Region 8</b>	<b>Randy Ashley</b>	
	<b>Linda Weeks Reddoor</b>	

<b>Region 9</b>	<b>Wilfred J. Nabahe</b>	<b>X</b>
	<b>John C. Parada</b>	
<b>Region 10</b>	<b>Maggie Sanders</b>	
	<b>Allie McLaughlin</b>	
<b>Alaska</b>	<b>Mary Mullan</b>	
	<b>Anne Wyatt</b>	<b>X</b>

<b>EPA Representatives</b>		
<b>Betsy Shaw</b>	<b>OAR</b>	
<b>Pat Childers</b>	<b>OAR</b>	
<b>Laura McKelvey</b>	<b>OAQPS</b>	
<b>Toni Colón James Payne</b>	<b>OAQPS</b>	

<b>NTAA Staff / Fiduciary Representatives</b>	
<b>Andy Bessler</b>	<b>x</b>
<b>Dara Marks Marino</b>	<b>x</b>
<b>Mehrdad Khatibi</b>	
<b>Jaime O. Yazzie</b>	<b>x</b>

<b>Ex-Officio Members / Others</b>	
<b>Ann Marie Chischilly, ITEP</b>	
<b>Chris Lee TAMS Center</b>	
<b>Farshid Farsi, TAMS Center</b>	
<b>Frank Spurgeon TAMS SC</b>	

*X = present on the call*

### NTAA Action Items Generated During This Call

ACTION ITEMS	DUE DATE
<b>Action Item 1:</b> Send welcome letter to Cahuilla Band of Indians.	2/11/19
<b>Action Item 2:</b> Send RTP In Person Meeting Summary and Public Minutes for review to approve in February EC call or via email.	2/11/19
<b>Action Item 3:</b> Draft letter for Fiat Chrysler Emissions Settlement and send to EC for review.	2/11/19
<b>Action Item 4:</b> Hold planning calls with EC members and prepare two agendas for In-Person Meeting in DC (one if EPA is closed, one if open)	2/11/19
<b>Action Item 5:</b> Ask VW and Woodsmoke groups about NTF/May calls and ask VW lead for July 4 alternative. Approve 2019 Schedule of NTAA Meetings over email in next week	2/11/19
<b>Action Item 6:</b> Discuss In-Person Meeting and Schedule before September 30 to comply with work plan at March meeting.	3/15/19
<b>Action Item 7:</b> Establish workgroup of EC members to develop by law changes for NTAA Associate Membership.	2/11/19
<b>Action Item 8:</b> Staff review notes from meeting with Matt Tejada/last year DC to follow up on action item.	2/11/19
<b>Action Item 9:</b> Publish GHG Standards fact sheet in Weekly Update and website.	2/11/19

**NTAA EC Standing Monthly Call**  
**January 14, 2019**  
**10 am AK / 2 pm ET**

**1. INTRODUCTIONS:**

- A. Invocation
- B. Roll Call of NTAA EC Members, NTAA, EPA Staff and others. EC Quorum reached.
- C. Welcome to new R6 EC member: Cherylin Atcitty
- D. Updates on EPA and Govt. Shutdown:
  - i. Decision to host Air Policy Update Call on Jan. 17:  
NTAA will hold call, update what NTAA is doing, and discuss how shutdown is affecting Indian country. Open with Policy Response Kits (PRKs); invite Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) fellow to discuss web-based tool that is similar to EJ screen
  - ii. Request for Proposal (RFP) for NTAA grant may be delayed due to Federal shutdown; therefore NTAA needs to evaluate budget to ensure continued operations past October 1

**2. NTAA PARTNERSHIP UPDATES:**

- A. Tribal Air Monitoring Support (TAMS) Center: TAMS center is closed; ITEP staff working from homes. Mike King from Navajo Nation EPA is new technical specialist.
- B. National Tribal Caucus (NTC): Paula Britton (Chair) just resigned; NTC needs new chair. Postponing Jan 28<sup>th</sup> NTC Meeting.
- C. Clean Air Act Advisory Committee (CAAAC): No updates
- D. ITEP: VW Settlement Technical Assistance Program helping first round Tribes (26); have until March 1 to update plans. Second year of funding announcements will come out tomorrow. Informational webinar will be held January 23. Mailer has gone out to all 573 Tribes. Hired program coordinator
- E. National Radon Action Plan: R7 Rep attended last meeting in DC. NRAP call with non-profit radon awareness group to work on proposal to get medical information into doctor's offices for the doctors; Potential grant had very short timeline so planning to look into applying for next year instead or alternative grants.
- F. Association of Air Pollution Control Agencies (AAPCA) and National Association of Clean Air Agencies (NACAA): Staff reached out and invited NACAA to DC meeting in March. Also, provided them our Ambient Air comment letter.

**3. NTAA PROJECT TASKS AND UPDATES:**

- A. Approval of Member Tribe Applications and EC Meeting Summaries/Minutes
- i. Application of the Cahuilla Band of Indians. Motion to accept: R5 rep; Second: R1 alternate. No objections, no abstentions. Consensus to approve.  
**Action Item 1: Send welcome letter to Cahuilla Band of Indians.**
  - ii. November EC Meeting Public Minutes.  
Motion to approve: R1 alternate; Second: R4 rep. No objections, R2 rep abstain.  
Consensus to approve.
  - iii. November EC Meeting Summary  
Motion to approve: R4 rep; Second: R1 alternate. R2 rep abstain. Consensus to approve.
  - iv. RTP Meeting Notes are almost completed  
**Action Item 2: Send RTP In-Person Meeting Summary and Public Minutes for review to approve in February EC call or via email.**
- B. Work Group Updates
- i. IAQ: Speaker from CDC discussed online tool, which includes wood smoke as well. Webinar on Green Building Codes has been postponed to March 6 due to federal shutdown. National Coalition for Safe Housing meeting held February 26/27 in DC.
  - ii. Wood Smoke: Work group preparing webinar series, delayed due to federal shutdown; planning for dates in March – May. Next call will be held Feb 6 at 3 pm ET.
  - iii. VW Settlement: Next call is Feb 7. Update on Fiat Chrysler emissions settlement. Recommend sending letter to remind EPA that some of the money should go to Tribes. Use original VW letter as a reference. **Action Item 3: Draft letter for Fiat Chrysler Emissions Settlement and send to EC for review.**
  - iv. Status of Tribal Air Report (STAR): There may be a delay due to the government shutdown. The data will not be available for the deadline set. This should not hold up the report. Reach out to your regions and Tribes for priorities, successes, and challenges (individual profiles and Tribal profiles on air quality work). Next call Jan 23 2 pm ET.
  - v. NTFAQ: planning call on January 17, 12pm ET.  
Date for Annual NTFAQ is May 6 – 9, co-hosted by Pechanga Tribe.  
Subcommittees for planning. EPA reps that have led efforts for AQ policy track will need to be covered by NTAA due to federal shutdown
- C. Review Draft Agenda for In-Person Meetings of NTAA EC in DC
- i. Week of March 11; Hotel contract in place.  
**Action Item 4: Hold planning calls with EC members and prepare two agendas for In-Person Meeting in DC (one if EPA is closed, one if open).**
- D. NTAA Staff Updates
- i. Review of 2019 Schedule of NTAA Meetings

**Action Item 5: Ask VW and Woodsmoke groups about NTF/May calls and ask VW lead for July 4 alternative. Approve 2019 Schedule of NTAA Meetings over email in next week**

**Action Item 6: Discuss In-Person Meeting and Schedule before September 30 to comply with work plan at March meeting.**

- ii. PRK Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) Review and PAC SOP Review
- iii. By Law changes for NTAA Membership:

**Action Item 7: Establish workgroup of EC members to develop by law changes for NTAA Associate Membership.**

- iv. NTAA OneDrive Files Update:  
Currently on DropBox. NTAA staff have had issues in converting files to OneDrive. Our IT folks can't help yet, hoping to proceed later this year.
- v. Review of NTAA Action Item Matrix:  
Several items on hold until EPA no longer on furlough.

**Action Item 8: Staff review notes from meeting with Matt Tejada/last year DC to follow up on action item.**

E. Discussion of NTAA Proposed Policy Response Kits

- i. 2018 Unified Agenda and Regulatory Plan: Use as guidance document, address each issue as they come up.
- ii. ACE Comments to States: Second round of letters to continuing remind states on consultations and suggested outcomes
- iii. GHG Standards for New and Modified plants: Motion to approve: R1 alternate; second: R7 Rep. No objections, no abstentions. Consensus to approve.  
**Action Item 9: Publish GHG Standards fact sheet in Weekly Update and website.**
- iv. MATS Review: Not yet in Federal Register therefore no deadline yet. Working on fact sheet.
- v. 2018-2019 list of NTAA Policy Response Kits: Preparing for STAR, website, and our own records.

F. Regional Updates

R5: Tribal Environmental Program Managers meeting will be week of March 18. It is difficult to plan with federal shutdown but will let Andy know if there is a call for VW talks. Fond du Lac hosting TAMS R statistical training, so neither R5 rep nor alternate will be on EPA call on Thursday.

R9: RTOC will be in Prescott, AZ (Yavapai Apache Tribe) from January 28 – 31, 2019. NTC chairwoman has resigned and this will be discuss at RTOC.

**Next call NTAA EC on Monday, February 11, 2019**

**Next NTAA/EPA Policy call on Thursday, January 17, 2019**

Mary Mullan - NTAA Secretary



4/8/19