

August 9, 2004 AMWG Meeting

TWG CHAIRMAN REPORT

- UPDATE/REVIEW OF TWG OPERATING PROCEDURES
 - Received input from members
 - Clarify responsibilities
 - Eliminate ambiguities
 - Budget procedures
 - Timelines
 - OP changes will be presented to AMWG in January
- BUDGET (and budget process)
 - First addressed by AMWG in a 2001 TWG recommendation (never implemented)
 - '05 budget review time consuming and frustrating (general lack of info)
 - Core and Research plans will streamline process but may not be ready for '06
 - Proposed new budget procedures will help as well presented by DK tomorrow

TWG recommends that the budget process specified by the budget ad hoc group be considered by the AMWG for adoption at its august meeting and applied to the '06 budget

(consensus)

- LONG-TERM EXPERIMENTAL PLAN (LTEP)

- LTEP ad hoc formed after AMWG motion in March
- Results of the deliberations of that group presented by the ad hoc chair later today
- AMWG decision on '05 needed ('05 budget included funds for mechanical removal)

TWG reviewed the recommendations from the LTEP ad hoc and agrees that the charge/timeline proposed by AMWG at its last meeting is not feasible given the complexity of the issue and the various points of view

TWG (with GCMRC and the SAs) will develop an experimental actions recommendation (some sort of extension of the existing experiment) for CYs '05/'06 and bring it to AMWG at its October meeting

TWG (with GCMRC) will develop a recommendation for completion of the LTEP (for CY '07 and beyond) and present it to the AMWG at its October meeting
(Consensus)

GCMRC SCIENCE RESULTS

- USGS is considering new policy prohibiting release of preliminary science reports
- Delay could severely affect AMP responsiveness to changing conditions
- TWG is following development of policy with GCMRC

- GEOMORPHOLOGY WORKSHOP

- Proposed by NPS and GCMRC to summarize status of knowledge
- NPS (appropriated) and GCMRC (AMP) funds used
- Presented/considered by TWG on June 30, 2004
- TWG recommends the following to the AMWG:

The TWG recommends to the AMWG that GCMRC proceed with planning and convening a geomorphic symposium in conjunction with the NPS and BOR
(8 yes, 7 no, 2 abstaining)

AMP/PA TIMELINES

- Track important AMP/PA tasks
- Presented to TWG/AMWG at each meeting?
- Enhances productivity and accountability

TWG requests from BOR (in consultation with PA) a timeline and outline on the process for completion of the HPP and ongoing 106 compliance activities
(consensus)

TWG have the Cultural Resource Ad Hoc Group review the cultural resources research design and bring a report back to TWG regarding whether it meets the needs of the program.

(14 yes, 2 no, 1 abstaining)