

## **National Technology Transfer Team Teleconference**

**October 28, 2015**

### **PARTICIPANTS**

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### **DISCUSSED CURRENT STATUS**

- Personnel
  - Going forward, Paul Rothman of the Kentucky Department of Environmental Protection will serve as the IMCC representative on NTTT
  - Team Recorder – Jeff Trump served as recorder
  
- RFP Status
  - Debbie Dale provided draft scoring and ranking spreadsheets to be used in the review process.
  - Mike Richmond asked the Regional team leads and NTTT members to consider possible locations for scoring and ranking meetings.
  - The team discussed the proposal review process:
    - After subject matter experts have been identified, they, and all Regional and National team members who would review proposals would sign non-disclosure forms
    - All who would review proposals would be provided with copies of the scoring forms.
    - The team recognized it may not be possible to have an expert from every region review every proposal since, due to the differing conditions in the regions, an expert on the subject matter of one region may not be available in another. However, to the extent possible, the goal would be to have an expert from each region review each proposal. As a minimum, each proposal would have at least one review by a subject matter expert.
    - The team noted that the cooperative agreements for the FY 2015 projects were executed by the Mid-Continent grants personnel. The team questioned whether this would be the case for the FY 2016 projects, if

funded. Mike Richmond indicated he would verify who would handle the cooperative agreements for the FY 2016 projects.

## **MEMBER REPORTS**

- Western Region
  - Nothing to report. The Western Region Technology Transfer (WRTT) team has had no calls since last spring and, like the NTTT is working to reestablish itself.
- Mid-Continent Region
  - The Mid-Continent team is also in the process of reestablishing itself. The team lead, however, has received numerous calls concerning the Applied Science Program.
- Appalachian Region
  - Mike Richmond is reviewing the Technology Development and Transfer (TDT) webpage, and working to establish a direct link from the OSMRE main page to the TDT page
  - The Appalachian Region held a Tech Transfer event at the Flight 93 Memorial site. The event showcased a mine water treatment system on the former mine site that makes use of aeration, settlement ponds, polishing wetlands, and a demonstration manganese removal limestone bed. A description of the event and system design and construction details are available on a dedicated Flight 93 page on the OSMRE website.
- Headquarters
  - The DOI working group on Technology Transfer will be sending OSMRE a request for information to be included in the DOI Technology Transfer Annual Report. OSMRE will write the section which will be inserted, along with sections from other DOI Bureaus into the report.
- IMCC
  - IMCC is holding its mid-year meeting now.
  - Much of the discussion pertains to commenting on the proposed OSMRE Stream Protection Rule.
  - IMCC will be involved with the meeting with the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) in St. Louis on November 15<sup>th</sup> covering a MOU between FWS and OSMRE.
- NAAML
  - Nothing to report.

Next Call – December 16, 2015