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**March 13, 2019**  
**WESTAR Council Meeting**  
**Conference Call Summary**

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The monthly WESTAR Council call began at 1:00 pm PST/2:00 pm MST/3:00 pm CST. Council members and delegates present included:

AK—Alice Edwards  
AZ—Tim Franquist  
CA—Tina Suarez-Murias  
CO—Gordon Pierce  
HI—Marianne Rossio  
ID—Tiffany Floyd  
MT—  
NV—Danilo Dragoni  
NM—  
ND— Terry O’Clair  
OR—Ali Mirzhakhalili  
SD—  
UT—Bryce Bird  
WA—Kathy Taylor  
WY—Nancy Vehr

WESTAR-Mary Uhl, Tom Moore, Jeff Gabler, Jackie Gadret

Agenda:

1. Spring Business meeting agenda (attached) and reminder to make travel plans (Mary Uhl)
2. ACE rule proposal discussion (Tim Franquist)
3. Regional haze analysis update (Tom Moore)
4. WRAP Board state terms (Tom Moore)
5. Summary of WESTAR prescribed fire/smoke management workshop (Mary Uhl)
6. Other items as time and interest permit

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<sup>1</sup> Draft will be considered final upon review and approval by a majority of the members, typically on the next monthly conference call.

## Meeting Minutes:

1. Spring Business meeting agenda (attached) and reminder to make travel plans (Mary Uhl)

Mary reviewed the spring business meeting agenda; please make travel plans to join us in Seattle.

2. ACE rule proposal discussion (Tim Franquist)

Tim talked about the lack of guidance on the ACE rule; there are no goals as far as CO2 reductions. Does this leave states open to litigation if there is no consistency across the west?

Nevada, Idaho and Alaska don't have any issues with this. Oregon agreed with Tim's concerns about uncertainty. It could be a good idea to discuss this at the spring business meeting. Mary suggested that we provide some background on EGU emissions in the west to kick off this session.

3. Regional haze analysis update (Tom Moore)

Tom reviewed the EGU workshop March 12 in Denver. Utilities have confirmed baseline data for 2014-2017 baseline. Emissions have changed dramatically among the past few years including many closures. Final report to be reviewed by states and utilities in April.

In process of finishing first round of regional haze modeling. Results will be rolled out at an April 5 meeting in Denver that can also be attended remotely.

RH Planning workgroup has planned a regional haze outreach webinar on March 20 that all states, tribal and local agencies as well as FLMs are invited to.

4. WRAP Board state terms (Tom Moore)

Tom noted that Tiffany Floyd's and Jeffrey Stocum's terms are expiring. Tiffany doesn't feel she has been able to contribute well to this group lately due to meetings on Wednesdays; she would like to either shift the seat to Mary Anderson or see if another state would like to serve on the WRAP board. Bryce Bird mentioned that Wednesdays are difficult for him as well. Ali Mirzhakhaili mentioned that Jeffrey Stocum is willing to serve another term.

No one objected to Mary Anderson taking on Tiffany Floyd's seat and Jeffrey Stocum continuing.

5. Summary of WESTAR prescribed fire/smoke management workshop (Mary Uhl)

Mary Uhl summarized the February 28 workshop that brought together EPA, FLMs, private burners and state air quality staff to discuss prescribed fire and smoke management. Ross Strategic will produce a recommendation document that will be available for state staff and air director review prior to the April business meeting. State staff will convene a conference call April 9 to discuss the draft.

6. Other items as time and interest permit

There were no additional items brought forth.

The call was 42 minutes in duration.