
Rocky Reach Meeting Minutes

To: Distribution List
From: Scott Kreiter
Date: March 20, 2000
1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Subject: Rocky Reach Cultural Resource Issues
Attendees: Refer to Sign-Up Sheet
Location: Chelan County PUD 2nd Floor Conference Room, Wenatchee, WA

PURPOSE

- 1) To discuss next steps for Rocky Reach

The Mid-Columbia Remembered

William Layman presented his book manuscript entitled "The Mid-Columbia Remembered" to the working group. William Layman is developing the book in conjunction with the North Central Washington Museum, Chelan, Douglas, and Grant County Public Utility Districts. The intent of the book is to document, by description and photographs, the river prior to hydro development from Priest Rapids to the International Boundary. He anticipates having a published copy for the PUD in the next few months.

Steps for Section 106

Scott Kreiter (Chelan PUD) started the meeting by discussing the status of each step in the Steps for Section 106 Table that the group agreed to in previous meetings. He presented a copy of the table to the group. He stated that the initiation of policy-level consultation by FERC was the first step, and that Chelan PUD plans to send a letter to FERC to begin completion of this step. Frank Winchell (FERC) stressed that the alternative relicensing project is a collaborative effort and that the spirit of collaboration is such that authority is through the communications protocol. Guy Moura (CCT) asked if someone could do a presentation on the relationship of the Federal Power Act and cultural resources. Scott indicated that he would look into arranging a presentation to the group.

Regarding Step 3 of the Section 106 Table (roles of working group members), Adeline Fredin, Colville Confederated Tribes (CCT) stated that she should be recognized as the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) because of the Moses Agreement allotments in the Rocky Reach project area. Powys Gadd (USFS) asked for clarification of the responsibilities and roles of the working group members in writing. Frank Winchell (FERC) suggested that the group revisit the "Communications Protocol" on the web site as a baseline for study and as a guide for developing the roles of the working group participants. The working group decided that it would be beneficial to develop a document that describes the role of each of the working group members. Each working group member agreed to send a description of their roles to Scott (Chelan PUD). The group would then determine whether an agreement document needs to be developed at this time.

Regarding Step 5 of the Section 106 Table (Background Overview), Vera Morgan, Western Historical Services (WHS) stated that the background overview completed by Schalk and Mierendorf (1983) would serve as a sufficient overview document as it is still a seminal document. Vera recommended that the group begin developing methods for field studies with the goal of starting field work in the fall. Guy Moura asked that Vera develop a document with her recommendations, as well as copies of the pertinent portions of the research design. Guy also suggested that

future work include sections on the treaty period, the allotments, and Indian-Euroamerican interactions. Vera (WHS) indicated that these topics could be included in a scope of work as part of the report completed with survey of the APE this year. Adeline (CCT) wanted to make sure that local agreements such as the CCT have with Chelan County on burials be included as protocol on inadvertent discoveries or as part of management plan recommendations for Rocky Reach. Ann Fink (USFS) indicated that the overview documents that are pertinent background materials for this project and for the Lake Chelan project were important documents that the group, composed of several people who worked closely with or who were archaeologists, should be familiar with.

Regarding Step 7 of the Section 106 Table (TCP studies), the working group recommended that requests for proposals be sent to consultants so that they can work these studies into their schedules immediately after completing Lake Chelan TCP studies.

Action Items

- ✓ Chelan PUD will send a letter to FERC regarding policy-level consultation
- ✓ Working group members will send descriptions of their roles to Scott.
- ✓ Scott will request proposals from consultants for completion of TCP studies.
- ✓ Vera will put her recommendations for the overview and future inventory work in writing and send to the group.
- ✓ Scott will send handouts from meeting to those that participate by conference call.
- ✓ Scott will add a schedule to the Section 106 Table.
- ✓ Scott will look into providing a presentation on the Federal Power Act.

Reference materials are posted on the web site, www.chelanpud.org/relicense.

Please contact Rosana Sokolowski, (888)663-8121, Ext. 4290, if hard copies are needed.

- Sign-up Sheet
- Distribution List
- William Layman Handouts
- Table of Steps for Section 106