

Sustainable Development Strategy Team  
Notes from Conference Call of Team Co-Chairs and Workgroup Leads  
January 19, 2005

We had a conference call of the Workgroup co-leads and a few other advisers on Wednesday the 19th. Here are the do-outs from that call:

We discussed George Kuper's comments on the white paper (Organizing Concepts), and I agreed to put down on paper some words for people to react to. Attached is a revised paper with the changed words highlighted...for your comment.

We discussed the workgroups and vacancies on co-lead positions. I subsequently called Ron Thomas of the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission, who graciously agreed to co-lead the Land Development workgroup with Victoria Pebbles of the GL Commission. I also agreed to call Noah Hall of the National Wildlife Federation to inquire if he would be willing to co-lead the Water Supply and Use workgroup with Becky Lameka of the GL Commission. I have not connected with Noah yet, but have copied him on this email....nothing like a little high-pressure tactics.....

I have not yet contacted the co-chairs of the Nonpoint Team to ask about a potential partnership between our Teams in the Agriculture/Forestry workgroup area.

As promised, attached is the most recent list of the SD Team with workgroup assignments. There are still a large number of folks who have not responded to the call for workgroup assignments. Consider approaching any of these to add people to your workgroup to cover the appropriate sectors and disciplines.

We discussed having a routine conference call of the workgroup leads and Team co-chairs every other week. I would like to get your preferences to the following days and times: Reply with a Y (yes) N (no) next to each

Tuesdays	10am Central
	1pm Central
Wednesdays	10am Central
	1pm Central
Thursdays	10am Central

We discussed the web site for the SD Team, which has pages for each of the workgroups. That web site is located at:

[www.glin.net/sdstrategyteam](http://www.glin.net/sdstrategyteam)

Becky Lameka of the GL Commission is the person to contact to place anything on the website for your workgroup. Here are the websites for the other Teams so that you can track their activities:

<http://www.great-lakes.net/aocstrategyteam/>

<http://www.great-lakes.net/pbtstrategyteam/>

<http://www.great-lakes.net/iistrategyteam/>

<http://www.great-lakes.net/chstrategyteam/>

<http://www.aisstrategyteam.org/>

Becky will use the attached SD Team list to create list serves for the entire SD Team and list serves for each workgroup. If you want to add (or remove) names from your workgroup list serve, please send me a message. I will be working with Becky on the details for list serve security to avoid proliferation of unwanted email.

There are several options available for conference calls of the workgroups:

- to use the system EPA has arranged, contact Vicki Davis of my office at [victral.a.davis@usace.army.mil](mailto:victral.a.davis@usace.army.mil) or (312) 353-8762
- GL Commission has been using <http://www.freeconferencecall.com/>

One item not discussed on the call is the meeting near Toledo planned by the Collaboration Executive Committee on February 22-23. Currently, this meeting is planned for all full Teams. I made a recommendation to the Executive Committee that this would not be productive because of travel restrictions of many and the inefficiency of conducting meetings with a large group and many participating via conference-call. I also noted that because the SD Team has just formed its working groups, it would be premature to hold a large gathering of the Team in one month. Bottom line, I do not recommend that the SD Team try and meet as a group at the Toledo meeting, but that workgroups continue to work through calls, email or other means of your choosing. Anyone who wishes to attend should do so. I will attend and provide any feedback I get from the meeting with the Executive Committee and other Team co-chairs. Let me know if you have any problems with this position...if you do plan to be there, let me know so that we can get together.

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