DRAFT MEETING AGENDA
2013 Water Quality Standards and Monitoring and Assessment States and Tribes Meeting
November 5-7, 2013
Region 8 US EPA Conference Center
Denver, Colorado

Tuesday November 5 – Rocky Mountain/Sagebrush

9:00-10:00	Arrival/Coffee (*long coffee hour to allow time for travel*)
10:00-10:15	Welcome and Introductions– *TBD*
10:15-12:00	State/Tribal program updates (~10 minutes each – highlights of last year's work)
12:00-1:30	Lunch
1:30-2:45	EPA WQS, M&A, and OGC updates/Q&A and open discussion
2:45-3:00	BREAK
3:00-4:00	Proposed revisions to the Water Quality Standards Regulation: *George Parrish (EPA): Overview and Q&A*
4:00-5:00	States/Tribes only session (Dakota Room also available)
5:30	Happy hour brewery tour
6:30	Group dinner – TBD

Wednesday November 6 - Rocky Mountain/Sagebrush

8:00-8:10	Coffee
8:10-9:00	2013 Ammonia criteria and supporting documents *Lareina G. or Lisa H. (EPA)*
9:00-9:40	State/Tribal biocriteria and bioassessment (15-20 min presentation on the status of your bio programs (monitoring and assessment) and associated WQS)
9:40-10:00	BREAK
10:00-11:30	State/Tribal biocriteria and bioassessment continued
11:30-1:00	Lunch
1:00-1:45	<u>Breakout discussions</u> WQS (Rocky Mountain/Sage): Variances *Barbara Bennett (CO)* *Mike Suplee (MT)* M&A (Dakota Room): State wide assessment *Eric Hargett (WY)?*
1:45-2:45	<u>Breakout discussions</u> WQS (Rocky Mountain/Sage): UAAs *Lindsay Patterson (WY): state-wide recreation UAA* *Amy Steinmetz (MT): use upgrades* *Patrick Snyder (SD): rec UAAs* M&A (Dakota Room): Periphyton indicators and diagnostic tools *State and/or tribe presenters needed*
2:45-3:00	BREAK
3:00-4:00	Assessment methodologies: How is frequency interpreted, listing approaches, and much more! *Open discussion*
4:00-5:00	Bioconfirmation principles – aggregate criteria for nutrients

Tina Laidlaw (EPA)

6:30 Group dinner - Wynkoop Brewery and Restaurant

Thursday November 7 - Rocky Mountain/Sagebrush

8:00-8:30 Coffee
8:30-9:30 Large group discussion: Ambient-based standards
Mike Ell (ND) – USGS approach to ambient-based SO4 standards
Jim Saunders (CO) – listing decisions for ambient-based standards
9:30-9:45 BREAK
9:45-10:45 Large group discussion – Implementing fish tissue based criteria
Mindi May (CO): Selenium study
Second state or tribe presenter needed – mercury work??

10:45-11:30 Meeting wrap up