

**FY2013 Water Data Exchange (WaDE)  
Project/EN Grant Steering Committee Conference Call**

**Minutes – March 10, 2015, 11am Mountain (10am PT, 12pm CT)**

**Attendees:**

WSWC - Sara Larsen

Texas CEQ – Jurgen Koch, Gayle Stewart, Gloria Castillo, Pat Robards, Ryan Menafee, Greg Smith

Idaho DWR – Michael Ciscell, Linda Davis

Oklahoma WRB – Lindy Clay, Kent Wilkens, David Hamilton

Washington DEQ – Ann-Marie Sweeten

**Roll Call, Minutes:** Sara took roll for the attendees on the phone and welcomed everyone. The group went over the minutes from the January meeting. Gayle requested an adjustment to the estimated TCEQ deployment start time. Sara agreed to make the change and the group adopted the minutes with that adjustment.

**Contract Updates from Each Partner:** Texas provided an update for their estimated timeline for deploying WaDE and mentioned that they are still working on revamping their water rights data models. They did not think they would be able to start until spring or summer of next year (2016). Oklahoma provided an update for their contract completion, saying that it was currently with their legal folks under review. They thought that they would be able to start in the middle of this coming summer. Washington estimated that they would complete their contract with TCEQ later this year and then start deployment in in Jan of 2016. Idaho said that they'd gotten the contract back from their review team, but needed to amend the GAD for RedHat deployment costs and other staffing adjustments. For the steering committee's information Sara showed them both the WSWC's monthly progress updates and their first quarterly Financial Status Report (FSR) sent in to TCEQ earlier that year.

**WaDE Deployment Updates:** Sara talked about the process of changing the quick deployment process using RedHat to now be able to create "scalable" apps. The previous quick deploy method only created a basic gear with no scaling capabilities. She showed how the new scalable app looked in the RedHat customer console and how it required the use of two gears. She talked about performing some testing with the states that were part of a beta release of the WaDE portal. These were Utah, Colorado and Wyoming. Sara showed the steering committee a new interface (new stylesheets) that had been implemented for the WaDE query results also. She talked about what to do and what to access once the state contracts were in place.

**2015 EN Conference:** Sara invited the attendees to register for the EN Conference that will be in Philadelphia, PA, on September 29<sup>th</sup> – October 1<sup>st</sup>. Sara will be giving a presentation at this conference and would recommend any state that is going through or has completed the deployment process by that time to present at the conference on their experience, but this appeared to be unlikely given the current timelines.

**Wrap up:** The group indicated that they could meet again in April/May for another meeting and hoped to have a couple of completed contracts by then. TCEQ asked that the RedHat Costs analysis be posted to the group's website. Sara agreed to do this. The call was adjourned.

**Action Items:**

	<b>Description</b>	<b>Assignee</b>
1	Use the GAD/PEL and WSWC's sample to finish the attachments and complete the contracts	All partner agencies
2	Post RedHat Costs Analysis spreadsheet to the Steering Committee website	WSWC