
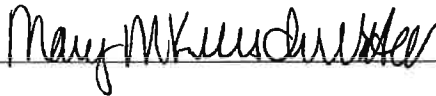


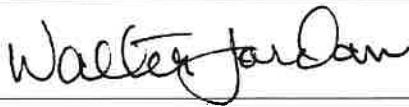


ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION MEETING



Date: Monday, October 23, 2023


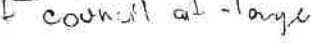
Location: DER / EPA Office

Time: 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Commission Member Attendance and Roll Call			
No.	Name	District	Signature
1.	Deanne Bear Catches	Kenel	
2.	Mary Kills in Water	Running Antelope	
3.	Ione Gayton	Porcupine	
4.	Craig Eagle Shield	Cannonball	
5.	Mike Lawrence	Long Soldier	
6.	Water Jordan	Wakpala	
7.	Maurice Agard <u>VACANT</u>	Bear Soldier	

8. Rock Creek - Pal Arch.

Standing Rock Dept. of Environmental Regulations - EPA			
No.	Staff Name	Title	Signature
1	Jake Luger	Pesticides Coordinator	
2	Stephan Yellow Earrings	Public Involvement	
3	Palani Luger	Env. Quality Technician	
4	VACANT	Brownfields Coordinator	
5	VACANT	UST / AQ Coordinator	
6	Adam Rookey	Director	

Guests: John Pretty Bear - 
Cyril Archambault -  council at-large



Environmental Quality Commission

Date: 10/23/2023 12:00 PM | Location: DER/EPA Office

Meeting called by	Craig Eagle Shield, EQC Chairman Adam S. Rookey, DER / EPA Director	DER/ EPA Personnel : Jake Luger; Pesticides Program Stephen Yellow Earrings; Public Involvement Officer Palani Luger; Environmental Quality Technician Adam Rookey; Director
Type of meeting	EQC / DER Quarterly Meeting	Tribal Council: John Pretty Bear, Cannonball District Sid Bailey; Long Soldier District
Location	SRST DER/EPA Conference Room	
Commission Members	Deanne Bear Catches Craig Eagle Shield Walter Jordan Mary Kills in Water Ione Gayton Mike Lawrence	

Agenda Items

Topic	Presenter	Time allotted
<input type="checkbox"/> Invocation	EQC	12:00 – 12:05
<input type="checkbox"/> Call to Order	EQC	12:05 – 12:10
<input type="checkbox"/> Roll Call – District Rep / ECON Reps / DER-EPA	EQC	12:10 – 12:15
<input type="checkbox"/> Approval of Minutes from 7/11/2023 EQC Meeting	EQC	12:15 – 12:20
<input type="checkbox"/> Program Report & Updates & Spring Clean-Up FY24	DER Program Staff	12:20 – 12:25
<input type="checkbox"/> Vacant Positions	Adam	12:25 – 12:30
<input type="checkbox"/> Grant –Env. Justice, Brownfields, Climate Pollution Reduction	Adam	12:30 – 12:35
<input type="checkbox"/> SBC Scholarship Sponsorship (2x \$1,000 per year Undergrad/Grad)	Adam	12:35 – 12:40
<input type="checkbox"/> Investing in Youth Education (Science Fair & Art Contest)	Adam	12:40 – 12:45
<input type="checkbox"/> Open Discussion – DER attending District meetings	ALL	12:45 – 1:00
<input type="checkbox"/> Adjourn	ALL	1:00pm

Other Information

Resources : Need conference room equipment updates for in-person (& virtual) meetings and trainings.

Special notes : Environmental Justice community outreach and Community Partnerships

Notes

Environmental Quality Commission

Monday, October 23, 2023

10-23-23

Call to Order 12:08 pm

Innocation - Steve

Roll Call - ~~Greg~~ - all here

7 present ~~not~~ here

Econ Rep - John Pretty Bear Econ Chair

Chuck Archambault - Council Rep

Approve 7-11-23 minutes

schedule Dist. Clean-Ups

Program Reports:

Building Repair - leaks in the building

Looking for persons to replace

- Hans Bradley

- Harriet Black Hoop

- Air Quality - Revised by

Judicial Sept 16th 2020 Draft

Passed in 2023

- Pete Cappasela - Did he get paid.

Air Code - Wolf Cattle - Air Quality?

Air Quality - ~~Order~~ Thresholds / Guidelines
SD vs ND

- Look further into this in the future

- Commission Support

- Council Support

Cannonball District: Want the Grand Fork house out of there.

Has it marked for ~~Asolo~~ Asolo.
 Hand sanitizers? 70 cases ea. district.

#1 Motion to approve Agenda

Motion by Mark I.W. 2nd by Mike

yes 4 No 0 NV 1 MC L.

#2 Motion to approve SBC Scholarships
 (2 x \$1000 per yr. for undergrad & Grad
 students) & include Science Fairs.

Motion by DBC 2nd by Mike L.

4 yes 0 no 1 NV MC

#3 Motion to ~~approve~~ adjourn by DBC.
 2nd by Walter Jordan

4 yes 0 no 1 NV MC

Next mtg. Feb. 13th 2024
 Prime Rib for lunch.

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EPA

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August 15, 2023

Mr. Michael Wenstrom
Environmental Justice Grant Project Officer
US Environmental Protection Agency
1595 Wynkoop Street
Denver, CO 80212

Re: EJCPA Cooperative Agreement Program
EPA-OP-OEJ-20-01 CFDA: 66.306

Dear Mr. Wenstrom:

Based on your review of the current project timeline and reporting requirements for implementing the Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving Cooperative Agreement with the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe (SRST), it appears a potential oversight may have occurred resulting in deficiencies with achieving the goals and outcomes outlined in the Agreement Proposal for the work period plan that was set to end on August 31, 2022.

Pursuant to the continued opposition against the planning, construction, and operations of the Dakota Access Pipeline, the SRST recognized the meaningful impact of Environmental Justice (EJ) programs to this effort. These programs resources allocated through EJ grants provides the ability to raise awareness amongst tribal community stakeholders to ensure the fair treatment of people across all nationalities, income, and cultures. Their inclusion in the decision making process of government is critical to ensure that unequal social, economic, and political powers does not increase the vulnerability to health and environmental threats for tribal communities.

On behalf of SRST community members and Tribal leadership, we are requesting an extension to this grant to allow additional time to achieve expected goals and outcomes. Efforts to confirm adequate training and preparedness for emergency response plan development, implementation, table top exercises, along with Incident Command Training are being scheduled to ensure readiness for designated first responders for environmental emergencies to protect air, land, and water resources.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (701)854-3823 or email adam.rookey@standingrock.org.

Sincerely,

Adam S. Rookey
Director of Environmental Program
Standing Rock Sioux Tribe

ASR:



10.18.2023

Memo

To

Janet M Alkire
Chairwoman, SRST

Comments:

This memo is in regards to the immediate need for fund access to address needed plumbing and structural repairs.

CC

Kerry Libby
Executive Director

The purpose of this memo is for approval to utilize program funds available for DER/EPA use through the SRST 1% Fee Program to address a water leak and electrical issues in our office location at 1200 94th Street. The size of the leak is unknown but is significant enough to have standing water below our office. Due to the time of year, we must request expeditious consideration to prevent any potential damage to our office, should the water freeze from the dropping temperatures.

From

Adam Rookey
Director, DER / EPA

Re

Exemption Request: Sole
Source Service Provider

DER /EPA Requests:

- 1.) Approval to hire plumber to fix leak; Sole Source request for service provider.
 - a. No bids/ reasonable bids from contractors for RFP for recycling center.
- 2.) Approval to hire local contractor to heat tape/seal/insulate skirting for office location; Sole Source request for service provider.
 - a. No bids/ reasonable bids from contractors for RFP for recycling center.
- 3.) Approval to hire local electrician to address electrical issues at office location; Sole Source request for service provider.

Please have your staff contact me at 701-854-3823 x 3806, or by email at adam.rookey@standingrock.org if you would like to discuss in further detail at a time that accommodates your schedule.

CONCUR:

Janet Alkire, SRST Chairwoman

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10.23.2023

Memo

To
Janet M Alkire
Chairwoman SRST

CC
Kerry Libby
Executive Director

From
Adam Rookey
Director, DER / EPA


Re
Investing in Standing
Rock Youth - STEM

Comments:

This memo is in regards to the request of initiating development of community outreach and investments.

This memo is to request that the approval to utilize funds from the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe DER / EPA 1% Project Fund to invest in Standing Rock Students and Youth. The Department proposes to sponsor two scholarships for students who attend Sitting Bull College, both undergraduate and graduate environmental science programs. The Department also proposes to initiate sponsorship of a local science fair for High School Students and a coloring/art contest for middle schools.

Scholarship Sponsor to SBC:

1 - \$5,000 Scholarship to be applied towards any student attending SBC Environmental Science Program. The funds will be drawn at \$1,000 increments per year and sponsored in 5-year increments. As funds are available,

1 - \$5,000 Scholarship to be applied towards a native student attending SBC Graduate Environmental Science Program. The funds will be drawn at \$1,000 increments per year and sponsored in 5-year increments.

Sponsor and development assistance for High School Science Fair. Provide funding for awards and assist HS staff with development for program – if interest.

Sponsor and development assistance for Middle School Art Contest. Provide funding for awards and assist MS staff with development for program – if interest

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Proposed Budget:	\$ 12,000.00
SBC Undergrad	\$5,000.00
SBC Graduate Scholarship	\$5,000.00
SRST High School Science Fair	\$1,000.00
SRST Middle School Art Contest	\$1,000.00
<i>(Elementary School + Middle School \$ 500.00 each)</i>	

CONCUR:



Craig Eagle Shield; EQC Chairman