NADP 2001 Spring Business Meeting

Tucson, AZ April 23-25, 2001

Network Operations Subcommittee

Tuesday April 24, 2001

1. Approval of Fall 2000 NOS Meeting Minutes. Saratoga Springs, NY, October 17-20, 2000 by John Shimshock

Motion 1: Approve NOS Meeting Minutes as summarized on the NADP website. Motion passed.

Motion 2: The NOS Subcommittee will meet in the Fall of 2001. Friendly Amendment: The meeting will be held in conjunction with the Executive and Budget Advisory Committees in Champaign, IL during August 2001 and teleconferencing will be made available to those that cannot attend. Motion passed as amended.

2. Requirements for Site Operator Years of Service Awards by Jane Rothert

Motion 3: Waive the current requirement of attending the Site Operators Training course by the CAL in order to receive an award for years of service greater than ten. Motion passed.

3. Potential Relocation of the CAPMon site at Sutton, Quebec as related to the NADP/CAPMon Intersite Comparison study by Mark Nilles

There are two sites in the NADP/CAPMon Intersite Comparison Study: one is at Penn State and one at Sutton, Quebec (CAN4). The site operator at CAN4 is retiring and the site is being relocated approximately 6 km to the village of Frelighsburg in Southern Quebec, near the Vermont border.

Motion 4: NOS will support the U.S./Canadian Intersite Comparison Study. Motion passed.

Motion 5: The NTN site at Sutton, Quebec will move with CAN4, with the understanding that the move is cost neutral.

Motion passed.

4. USGS External QA Report Part I by John Gordon

Blind Audit Results 1997-1999 See attachment 1. Field Blank and Reference Sample Results 1997-1999 See attachment 2.

Motion 6: An ad hoc committee (including John Gordon, Scott Dossett, Karin Harlin, Jane Rothert, and Natalie Latysh) was formed to explore blind audit and field blank data.

Motion passed.

Interlaboratory Comparison Results 1997-1999 See attachment 3.

Presentations may also be viewed at http://bqs.usgs.gov/precip/slideshow/spring2001.htm.

Adjourn

Wednesday April 25, 2001

5. Selection of new 2001 NOS Vice Chair by John Shimshock

Kristi Morris will move from Secretary to Vice Chair for 2001. Mark Nilles volunteered to be Secretary in 2001.

6. ATS External Site Survey by John Shimshock

ATS is required by contract conditions to survey 100 sites per year. Sites surveyed by ATS in 2001 will concentrate in the Rocky Mountain region. Sites in California will not be surveyed this year because they were recently visited (December 1999). Sites around Champaign, Illinois also will not be surveyed because if problems arise, someone from the Program Office could visit the site to resolve the issue.

7. USGS External QA Report Part II by Natalie Latysh

Intersite Comparison Studies 1998-2000 See attachment 4. Collocated Sampler Program 1997-2000 See attachment 5.

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Examinations of [H+] concentrations measured in the field and in the laboratory See attachment 6.

8. Site Sketch and Siting Criteria violation displays by Scott Dossett See attachment 7.

Motion 7: NOS approves the Site Sketch Documentation design presented. Motion passed.

Motion 8: NOS Chair will recommend to the Executive Committee that the site sketches be placed on the NADP website.

Motion passed.

Adjourn