

Proposed SWG work plan updates for 2014-2015  
October 29, 2013

### **Task 10: Oversee implementation of source identification information repository (SIDIR)**

SWG oversight will be helpful for defining and implementing the process for developing the information repository described in our October 2010 recommendations. In February 2012 the SWG approved a scoping memo that defined the Source Identification Information Repository (SIDIR) as having two main components: Methods and Approaches (an online library that is kept up to date), and Results and Findings (a permittee-populated database that is periodically analyzed). The memo also envisions a peer network for sharing information.

In January 2013 a report was delivered to Ecology with further recommendations for building and launching SIDIR. The subgroup will continue to make recommendations to the SWG about developing the format and content of SIDIR. These new recommendations will provide a foundation for the implementation of SIDIR in 2015.

- The [January 2013 report](#) provides a useful starting point for creating the methods library in a way that will be most useful to field staff. Subgroup members agree that the library is most appropriately housed on the Ecology webpage as a permittee resource. A workshop or other conversations with field staff may help inform next steps. A long-term management approach is needed to ensure the library contents are kept up to date.
- The Field Screening Manual developed by King County/Herrera will be a key entry in the methods library and a helpful starting point for identifying new guidance documents that need to be included or developed. Case studies should be included in the library. Other existing and evolving resources will continue to be reviewed and considered as well.

The current NPDES permits include a requirement that permittees submit IDDE findings with their annual reports. The SIDIR subgroup advised Ecology on a voluntary reporting form for permittees to use in 2014 for their 2015 annual reports. The form defines the basic types of information that are needed for SIDIR Results/Findings analyses.

- The form still needs to be converted to a web-based format that populates an electronic IDDE results database. Permittees will need to know how to find the online form and that using it will help us review this data more quickly, learn from the findings, and apply them to management programs and policy initiatives.

Subgroup: Source Identification/SIDIR

Deliverables: Communication piece to describe SIDIR components and benefits to permittees  
Final online version of IDDE tracking form  
Discussions about building on IDDE Field Screening Manual  
Recommend additional information to build the Methods/Approaches library  
Recommend library format that it will be most useful to field staff  
Recommend long-term management approach to ensure library is kept up to date  
Assess IDDE tracking data in 2015

Timeline:      Communication piece ready in December 2013  
Electronic IDDE tracking form available for permittee use January 1, 2014  
Long-term Methods/Approaches library management defined in early 2014  
Begin conversations about library content needs and priorities in early 2014  
Assess use of tracking form after a few months, more outreach in spring 2014  
Review tracking form after about one year of use, in late 2014  
Additional methods/approaches recommended by mid 2015 for GROSS grants  
Assessment of IDDE tracking data in 2015 (begin with electronic data in January)  
Ongoing coordination with SWG and Ecology staff in 2014-2015 to develop and  
build the methods library