Water Transfer Working Group
Minutes for the 1:00 PM, June 2, 2014 Meeting

Attendees: Chad Bala, Steve Boessow, Robert Granger, Stuart Crane, Bill Ferry, Chuck Garner, Stan Isley, Jessica Kuchan (Telephonically), John Kirk, Larry Martin, Teresa Merriman, Sage Park, Scott Revell, Ron Van Gundy, Anne Watanabe (Telephonically), Nea Welch-Timmons, John Yoder (Telephonically),

Chuck opened the meeting at 1:00 PM, asking for the approval of the May 5, 2014 meeting minutes. Scott Revell’s name was added to the attendee’s list for this meeting, which was mistakenly left off from the minutes. The group approved the minutes. A change in the proposal agenda was made, with the removal of 2014-52 - CS4-00176sb2 (KITT 14-02) – King; because this proposal was submitted at last month’s meeting as 2014-38. Also, proposal 2014-50 – CC-01419 (Roan) was withdrawn prior to the meeting because the Roans intend to use their water this year for irrigation, and 2014-58 - G4-35681 Yakima River Mitigation Services Kuchin (Savio) was moved to the top of the agenda at Anne Watanabe’s request. There was a visitor, Chad Bala from Teanaway Ridge LLC.

Chuck proceeded to the next agenda item of new proposals:

2014-58 - G4-35681 – Yakima River Mitigation Services Kuchin (Savio) – Sage representing Anne Watanabe, presented this proposal for one proposed well to supply 0.084 acre foot per year of consumptive use water for continuous single domestic water supply and seasonal irrigation for 0 square feet of lawn and garden, using 250 gallons per day as maximum daily demand. This proposal will utilize the USBR-Ecology Exchange Contract from 9/1 to 3/31 to mitigate for flow impacts to the Yakima River and the east bank of Cle Elum Lake. Proposal was given the Thumbs up.

2014-49 – CS4-01724(A), (B) and (C) CTCL (New Suncadia LLC) – Jessica presented this proposal to transfer a portion of these 3 New Suncadia, LLC water rights into trust for instream flow use for the rest of the year – the 2014 irrigation season. Period of use is 04/1 to 10/15. The consumptive use analysis was conducted as part of the Trendwest Properties: Cle Elum UGA Draft EIS, as authorized by the Department of Ecology. These water rights will not be needed this year and therefore Suncadia proposes to donate these water rights to the State Trust Water Right Program. Proposal was given the Thumbs up.

2014-51 – G4-35683/01467 – Masterson Water Bank/WWT (Jordan) – Sage Park presented this proposal to use a well to supply 0.414 acre-foot per year of water for continuous single domestic water supply and irrigation of 500 square feet of lawn and garden, using 350 gallons per day as maximum indoor daily demand. This proposal will utilize the USBR-Ecology Exchange Contract from 9/16 to 3/31 to mitigate for out of season flow impacts along the Yakima River. The place of use is located east of Easton by Lavender Lake. The group gave the proposal thumbs up.

2014-52 - CS4-00176sb2 (KITT 14-02) – King – Deleted – Proposal was erroneously submitted a second time to the group.
2014-53 – G4-35693 – **Suncadia Water Bank (Morbeck)** - Sage Park presented this proposal for a well to supply 0.414 acre-foot per year of water for continuous single domestic water supply and seasonal irrigation of 500 square feet of lawn and garden, using 350 gallons per day as maximum indoor daily demand. This proposal will utilize the USBR-Ecology Exchange Contract to mitigate for out of season flow impacts along the Yakima River between 9/1 – 3/31; pumping may result in flow impacts to Cle Elum Lake. The group gave the proposal thumbs up.

2014-54 – G4-35690 – **Masterson Water Bank/WWT (Lohnes)** - Sage Park presented this proposal, for a well to supply 0.414 acre-foot per year of water for continuous single domestic water supply and seasonal irrigation of 500 square feet of lawn and garden, using 350 gallons per day as maximum indoor daily demand. The well has not been drilled yet. During the irrigation season, 0.072 ac-ft is assigned to the USBR-Ecology Exchange Contract and released between 9/16 – 3/31 to address out-of-season flow impacts along the Yakima River. The group gave the proposal thumbs up.

2014-55 – G4-35689 – **Masterson Water Bank/WWT (Wailes)** - Sage Park presented this proposal, which requests approval for a well to supply 0.414 acre-foot per year of water for continuous single domestic water supply and seasonal irrigation of 500 square feet of lawn and garden, using 350 gallons per day as maximum indoor daily demand. During the irrigation season, 0.072 ac-ft is assigned to the USBR-Ecology Exchange Contract and released between 9/16 – 3/31 to address possible out-of-season flow impacts along the Yakima River and lower Peterson Creek. The group gave this proposal a tentative thumbs up, pending further investigation to determine whether there are fish flow concerns in lower Peterson Creek.

2014-56 – G4-35686 – **Roth – Clennon Water Bank (Ledbetter)** – Sage Park, presented this proposal, which requests approval for a well to supply 0.414 acre-foot per year of water for continuous single domestic water supply and seasonal irrigation of 500 square feet of lawn and garden, using 350 gallons per day as maximum indoor daily demand. During the irrigation season, 0.089 ac-ft is assigned to the USBR-Ecology Exchange Contract and released between 8/1 – 3/31 to address out-of-season flow impacts along the Yakima River. The group gave the proposal a Thumbs up.

2014-57 – G4-35685 – **Suncadia Water Bank (Chappell)** – Sage Park, presented this proposal, which requests approval for a well to supply 0.414 acre-foot per year of water for continuous single domestic water supply and seasonal irrigation of 500 square feet of lawn and garden, using 350 gallons per day as maximum indoor daily demand. The well has not been drilled yet. During the irrigation season, 0.072 ac-ft is assigned to the USBR-Ecology Exchange Contract and released between 9/1 – 3/31 to address out-of-season flow impacts along the Yakima River and possible flow impacts to Cle Elum Lake. The group gave the proposal a Thumbs up.

2014-59 – CS4-00756sb2@3 – (Gerald J. Griffith/Teanaway Ridge LLC) Jessica presented this proposal to transfer this Teanaway Ridge LLC (former Gerald Griffith) Big Creek water right into the trust program for instream flow use and future mitigation use. Period of use is year round. Primary reach is the portion of Big Creek below the original POD to the confluence with Yakima River; secondary reach is from the confluence of Big Creek and the
Yakima River downstream to the confluence with the Columbia River. Proposal was given the Thumbs up.

The next meeting is set for July 7, 2014 at 1:00 PM.

Chuck adjourned the meeting at 1:29 PM.