



**RE: Invitation to "Water Quality Trading in the Pacific Northwest : A Workshop"  
Wednesday, March 21st**

**Marti.Bridges** to: Claire Schary

02/17/2012 07:05 AM

History: This message has been forwarded.

I think we (Barry on behalf of Toni) a letter or letters supporting all of them, which is unfortunate. I'll check. I think the Freshwater Trust is also the best way to go. The other entities in Idaho are gaming the system by filing as non profits but also ensuring themselves tidy salaries. I will alert them to Washington States support level.

-----Original Message-----

From: Claire Schary [  
mailto:Schary.Claire@epamail.epa.gov]  
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2012 5:23 PM  
To: Marti Bridges  
Subject: RE: Invitation to "Water Quality Trading in the Pacific Northwest: A Workshop" Wednesday, March 21st

Helen Bresler from Ecology said the same this morning in a meeting with David Primozich, and I listened by phone. They were asked to support two other grants in addition to the one from The Freshwater Trust (which I assume you've heard about). She said her recommendation to her managers was to decline the other two and agree to support The Freshwater Trust one because she thinks it will provide them the best tools to manage trading projects. I don't know what you've told the other groups, but I've heard Barry supports The Freshwater Trust one so I hope there aren't conflicting messages going out.

I've arranged a meeting for tomorrow for David to meet with Christine Psyk, Dave Croxton and Mike Lidgard and myself to talk about the proposal and see what we would need to be able to support it.

-- Claire

From: <Marti.Bridges@deq.idaho.gov>  
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Date: 02/16/2012 03:37 PM  
Subject: RE: Invitation to "Water Quality Trading in the Pacific Northwest: A Workshop" Wednesday, March 21st

It will be nice to commiserate with others on this topic. There is a "feeding frenzy" going on here in Idaho with every Tom, Dick and Harry looking to make a fast buck off of trading. We've had several

entities asking us to write letters of support and join them in trading grant applications for USDA money. It's reached such a fever pitch it's a bit amusing to watch. Missing entirely from their discussions is a desire to get TMDLs completed in order to trade, however.

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From: Claire Schary [mailto:Schary.Claire@epamail.epa.gov]  
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Great! I think you'll find it to be an interesting workshop, as well as the afternoon discussion, and a worthwhile trip.

-- Claire

From: <Marti.Bridges@deq.idaho.gov>  
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Subject: RE: Invitation to "Water Quality Trading in the Pacific Northwest: A Workshop" Wednesday, March 21st

Michael McIntyre and I are hoping to be there and are working on travel arrangements and travel approvals.

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From: Claire Schary [mailto:Schary.Claire@epamail.epa.gov]  
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Hi - Just wanted you to know this is now official and your bosses have received the official invitation. Hope you can all still come! Let me know if you have questions, or if you won't be able to make it after all.

-- Claire

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I would like to invite you to our upcoming water quality trading workshop titled: Water Quality Trading Today in the Pacific Northwest: A Workshop. It is planned for Wednesday, March 21st. OWW has invited the Willamette Partnership and the Freshwater Trust to present the water quality and ecosystem marketplace frameworks they have developed. The purpose of the event is to provide an opportunity for regulatory agencies to hear about these frameworks. These two non-profit organizations are promoting these frameworks with stakeholders. It is in our collective interest as managers of water quality programs to better understand these frameworks and engage in a dialogue about how and under what circumstances these frameworks can be used to achieve improvements in water quality and watershed restoration. We would like participation from the states to share their experiences utilizing water

quality trading concepts/tools and engage in a discussion of what's worked and why and identify the hurdles to broader utilization of these tools. Claire Schary and Paula Vanhaagen have been in contact with some of your staff and I hope that both staff and managers attend the conference.

We are still developing the agenda. We have a draft that I am sharing with you (attached). The morning will include an introduction from Dennis McLerran, EPA's Regional Administrator, and then presentations by the Willamette Partnership and The Freshwater Trust, including examples of where trading has occurred and where it is headed. We would like to invite you, our state partners, to talk about your experiences with trading and have included that in the morning session. We also plan to provide some time for questions and answers and a facilitated discussion. We have also carved out time in the afternoon to meet with you separately to discuss any issues that you may wish to highlight or discuss in greater depth.

(See attached file: DRAFT AGENDA Water Quality Trading Workshop.docx)

I ask that you encourage your respective managers and staffs that work in areas where water quality trading may apply to attend this workshop. If you have any questions, please contact me. If you have any suggestions for the agenda or ways in which you would like to participate, please call Claire Schary (206)553-8514 or Paula Vanhaagen (206)553-6977.

Thank you.

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