Database Management Work Group call summary January 10, 2019

Attendees:

Mike Hermanson, Amy Sumner – Spokane County Dave Dilks – LimnoTech Karl Rains, Brandee Era-Miller – Ecology Joel Breems – Avista Mike Anderson – City of Coeur d'Alene Ben Floyd, Lara Floyd – White Bluffs Consulting

Database Pilot Project Final Report:

The group discussed the draft final report provided by CDM. The consensus was that the report generally looked good, but needed some edits for clarification. The group requested the report in a Word Doc to provide some comments.

The group decided that with edits, the report is ready for full SRRTTF review. Mike suggested that the user guide developed by Spokane County should accompany the report since it provides more detail on the functionality of the database.

Comments on the report and User guide will be provided by the end of January, and be incorporated into the documents in time to distribute to the SRRTTF by the middle of February.

Options to make data publicly available:

The CDM report provided options for making data publicly available, and recommended making the full database available by providing a location for interested users to download the Access database.

The group also discussed the nexus between public outreach and education and making the data available at a level of detail sufficient for the general public – maps of sample locations, types of samples, summary results. The group recommended working with the outreach work group to coordinate this with their efforts. In addition, ArcGIS online was discussed as a potential suitable platform for making data available at that level in a user friendly format. Spokane County may be able to develop web application and host it. Spokane County staff will determine what it will take to develop such an application and report back to the group.

Other:

Spokane County said they would be uploading 2012 fish tissue data to test some database functionality and uploading 2018 synoptic upon receipt.