



Advisory Committee on Water Information — December 3, 2012

Development of Recommendations to Assure Strong Water Data & Science in a Constrained/Shrinking Budget Teleconference (access details included below)

Monday, December 3

- 2:00 pm EST Welcome, identify participants and opening remarks –
Wendy Norton, ACWI Executive Secretary, and
Peter Evans, ICWP Executive Director and ACWI Discussion Leader
- 2:10 pm Proposed approach to facilitate the development of recommendations requested November 6, 2012 by the Assistant Secretary of Interior for Water and Science (attached, draft dated November 28, 2012) –Peter Evans
- Overall schedule
 - Sequence of topics
 - Information development, presentation and documentation
 - Identification, evaluation and development of potential recommendations
- 2:25pm Discussion and revision of the proposed approach –all participants
- 2:50pm Summary of decisions and next steps –Peter Evans and Wendy Norton
- 3:00pm Adjourn

Teleconference information:

USGS staff at Headquarters -	x4848
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Proposed Outline for ACWI Constrained/Shrinking Budget Deliberation

November 28 Draft

Organization & Planning	Dec3
USGS Streamgauge/ Surface Water Networks	Dec10
Strategic Streamgages	
National purpose gages	
State, tribal & local cost-share gages	
DCPs, telemetry & Internet	
Quality assurance	
Standards & procedures	
Training (for USGS & others)	
Federal Appropriations & FTEs	Jan14
5yr perspective on investment in these USGS programs relative to overall federal budget for USGS, DOI, & Congressional allocation for DOI, EPA & USFS	
USGS Ground Water Networks	Jan14
Monitoring Networks	
Existing network	
Proposed network	
DCPs & telemetry	
Quality assurance	
Standards & procedures	
Training (for USGS & others)	
USGS Water Quality Networks	Jan28
Monitoring networks	
Existing network	
Proposed network	
Quality assurance	
Standards & procedures	
Training (for USGS & others)	
Strategic Directions for USGS Water Science, 2012-2022	Feb11
Summary of the priorities that USGS has identified for monitoring and related science	
“Related Science”	Feb25
Regional characterization	
CWP Interpretive Studies	
Major aquifer & other GW studies	
WQ studies	
“Related Science” (continued)	Mar11
Water Census	
Watershed budgets	
Flow & water level estimation for ungaged locations	
Ecological use estimation	
Human use estimates	
Other?	
R&D	Mar25
Data collection, DCPs, telemetry, satellites & Internet	
Models & interpretive tools	

Other

Review, revise plans	Mar25
Needs Served by USGS Monitoring & Related Science	Apr8
Summary of DOI and OFA applications & tolerance for uncertainty	
Summary of state, tribal, local & interstate applications& tolerance for uncertainty	
Summary of private sector applications& tolerance for uncertainty	
Summary of NGO & other applications& tolerance for uncertainty	
Characterization of Needs Served by USGS Monitoring & Related Science	Apr22
Consideration of potential recommendations	Apr22
Consideration of potential recommendations	May6
Selection & prioritization of potential recommendations	May27
Consider need for documentation	
Consider comments on proposed recommendations	Jun10
Agree on recommendations	Jun24