

Missouri River Basin Interagency Roundtable (MRBIR) Executive Meeting

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Agenda Sketch

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Aug. 18-19, 2015
8.30 AM – 5.00 PM Central

MRBIR Purpose: "...seek opportunities for collaboration, coordination, and communication among Federal Agencies and, when possible and where appropriate, to communicate to other basin interests with a single federal voice on issues within the basin. This is particularly emphasized where mutually beneficial objectives can be realized, or when the MRBIR can facilitate more comprehensive interagency efforts that would normally be beyond the scope of just one of the agencies." (2010 MRBIR MOU)

Executive Meeting Purpose: MRBIR Executives have agreed MRBIR meetings should focus on a set of basin topics and sub-issues that "deserve MRBIR coordination, communication and common understanding." (2014 MRBIR Work Plan)

MRBIR Areas of Focus: (1) *Climate Collaboration*, (2) *Sediment*, (3) *Coordination on Federal Tribal Relations*, and (4) *Missouri River Watershed/Ecosystem Functions*. (2014 MRBIR Work Plan)

READ-AHEADS AND REFERENCES (WORKING LIST):

- MRBIR Work Plan (updated August 2015, to be distributed at meeting)
- WDDRA: [USACE page](#)
- WRRDA: <https://www.congress.gov/113/bills/hr3080/BILLS-113hr3080enr.pdf>
- WRRDA Implementation Guidance, USACE:
http://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/CivilWorks/ProjectPlanning/LegislativeLinks/wrrda2014/wrrda2014_impguide.aspx

--AGENDA--**August 18th, 2015**

Site Visit to Bakken	DETAILS PROVIDED SEPARATELY BY BIA [Coordination lead: Wayne Stone, BIA]
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August 19th, 2015

Morning (4:00 hrs./240 min)	8:30--8:50 (20)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome, Introductions, Opening Remarks– MRBIR Chair Tim LaPointe (BIA) Overview of building logistics – Bureau of Indian Affairs Agenda Review, Meeting Guidelines, Announcements – Peter Williams (USIECR)
	8:50--9:00 (10)	Bakken update – Jim Potter (BLM) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bakken Federal Working Group update
	9:00--9:30 (30)	Litigation Updates – Christina Austin-Smith (USACE) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ideker Farms litigation – update, impacts to agencies Intake litigation – update, impacts to agencies
	9:30-9:45 (15)	Update on Intake Project and Environmental Assessment – Doug Epperly (BoR)
	9:45–10:00 (15)	Status of WRRDA Implementation – Dave Ponganis (USACE) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formulation of WRRDA: Identifying budget line items for MO River Basin
	10:00--10:45 (45)	Missouri River Basin Issues and Opportunities for Coordination – (Roundtable) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FY 16 Budget Update: Effect on agency MR programs Dam safety and water supply Aging infrastructure
	10:45--11:00 (15)	BREAK
	11:00--11:15 (15)	Federal Tribal Relations Committee Report -- Diane Mann-Klager (BIA)
	11:15--11:45 (30)	Missouri River Recovery Management Plan – Mary Roth (USACE) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on progress and next steps
	210 min	
	LUNCH 11.45-1.00 pm BOX LUNCHESES ON SITE – PLEASE BRING CASH TO COVER YOUR ORDER	
	1:00—1:10 (10)	Planning Committee Report – Wayne Stone (BIA)
	1:10—1:40 (30)	Topic Team Report: Missouri River Basin Sediment – Bob Swanson (USGS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sediment budget; other sediment updates
Afternoon (3:45 hrs. /225 min.)	1:40--2:10 (30)	Topic Team Report: Missouri River Basin Ecosystem Functions - Verlon Barnes (NRCS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss MR ecosystem and possible common elements for a shared vision; Report on lower MO-River hydrogeomorphic (HGM) study
	2:10—2:40 (30)	Topic Team Report: Missouri River Basin Climate Collaboration – Doug Kluck (NOAA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion of federal/state climate collaboration group; El Nino update
	2:40—2:55 (15)	BREAK
	2:55--3:40 (45)	LCC overview – Rick Nelson (FWS) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interagency collaborative effort that addresses topics similar to MRBIR
	3:40--4:10 (30)	Agency Roundtable – Tim LaPointe (BIA), All <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Key updates from agency not already reported (~3-5 minutes per agency) 1-2 suggested opportunities for collaboration or partnerships
	4:10—4:55 (45)	Potential Partnerships – Tim LaPointe (BIA) open, Peter Williams (ECR) facilitate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitated discussion - narrow list of suggested opportunities, identify next steps
	4:55--5:10 (15)	MRBIR Operations/Next Meeting/Adjourn
	240 min	