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NOTES
Clark Fork and Kootenai River Basins Council
Executive Committee Meeting
Stone Hall Room 217
University of Montanan - Missoula
Friday, June 7th, 2019, 1-4 PM

- Attending: Molly Davidson, Bonnie Holzworth, Verdell Jackson, Evan Norman, Travis Ross, Dave Shively
- Debrief on Bill Outcome/Next Steps
 - SB 47 was tabled in the House Natural Resources Committee in April 2019 after having been passed with revision by the Senate's Natural Resources Committee and the full Senate;
 - Erin Farris-Olsen and Verdell Jackson independently related that its fate was likely determined by broader conflict between the two parties over general legislative outcomes;
 - Next steps discussed: re-engage with DNRC and WPIC (especially a R from the basins) on the bill, frankly discuss the outcome of the last session and seek to develop a coordinated approach to secure its passage in the next session.
- Bylaws
 - Develop draft bylaws that avoid CFTF complication?
 - Shively will extract content from 2001 and 2010 Clark Fork Task Force ground rules, add language addressing Executive Committee Chair selection and role.
- Next Annual Meeting – potential dates?
 - Important to pin down in order to inform stakeholders
 - Mid to late September, or October
 - Kalispell
 - Focus on an assessment of implementation of the State and Basin Plans – known progress and gaps
 - Invite DNRC Planning personnel to participate
 - Shively to develop draft one and two-day agendas
- Summer ExComm visits with Kootenai and Upper Flathead groups
 - Purpose
 - Inform of CFKRBC Vision and Purpose
 - Learn about interests, issues, needs
 - Approach
 - Two hour meetings around/including a lunch or following
 - Develop a questionnaire to guide the discussions
 - Send Plans and Talking Points in advance
 - Scheduling

- Shively will reach out to contacts in the basins to learn of interest and availability (see if Chas Vincent can help in Libby), look for a couple of options for each, and work to schedule meetings with involvement of himself and another ExComm member.
- Data Work Group or other to focus on Water Plans Implementation assessment?
 - Yes, must identify usable basin-wide metrics and progress data.
- Website and Story Map Edits
 - Shively soon to recruit intern/short-term employee for editing
 - Shively and others – identify typos, errors and omissions – report to Shively
 - Links in Story Map for Stakeholders (one contact/link per organization)
 - Relabel Story Map tabs to be grouped by basin/sub-basin
- Informational
 - Intern
 - Other Items:
 - Central Clark Fork WRP Update?
 - Vicki Watson introduced the project to the Smurfit Stone Community Action Group