

MINUTES FROM SCIENCE TEAM MEETING
31 MAY, 2000
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, RIVERSIDE

Attendees:

Clarence Everly
John Hamill
Ric Williams
Hank McCutchen
Greg Lines
Dave Miller
Jeff Lovich

-- Greg gave an update of the Desert Water Initiative study plan development. Three main elements are being developed:

- 1) Completion of National Wetland Inventory mapping for desert
- 2) Compilation of hard copy files of wetland and spring data for desert
- 3) Inventory and baseline data collection of desert springs

The group suggested getting historical data from BLM and NPS regarding spring locations. Dave suggested including artificial water sources including guzzlers, drinkers, cattle tanks, sewage ponds, and mining ponds.

No information is yet available on the cost of implementing the three elements. The group suggested that the first two elements were high priorities and that the third could be done as funding permitted.

-- Jeff talked about changes in the USGS. He is moving to Sacramento on June 30 and will not be the chair of the Science Team any longer. A new Chair needs to be designated. Suggestions include:

Jim Kenna, BLM
Tom Egan, BLM
Ray Bransfield, FWS
Dennis Schramm, NPS
Mark Hagen, Edwards AFB

The DMG will make the decision on who the new Chair will be.

-- The group looked over the DMG five year plan and agreed to forward comments to John or Clarence by June 9

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