

Meeting Highlights Vegetation Management SDT — Project 2007-07

February 10-12, 2009 | 8 a.m.–5 p.m. CST
February 13, 2009 | 8 a.m.–12 noon CST

Conference Call Information

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1. The chair, Richard Dearman welcomed everyone to the meeting and reviewed the agenda. The agenda included the following goals for completion at this meeting:
 - complete the reviews of industry comments to the initial posting of FAC-003-2,
 - as necessary, modify the Standard to improve consensus,
 - prepare a first draft of responses to each question.
2. The standards coordinator, Harry Tom, reviewed the Antitrust Guidelines.
3. The SDT completed its review of stakeholder comment summaries that sub teams developed for question #3, 11 and 18 and the concerns on 8, 9 and 16 that were raised by a team member at the February 2, 2009 conference call and WebEx. The review task included capturing the major theme(s) of all the stakeholder comments and then preparing a recommendation for potential response(s) to them, including a recommendation for modifying any of the requirements in the draft standard.
4. The full SDT then discussed potential changes to the draft standard as suggested by the sub teams who worked on summarizing stakeholder comments for questions 1, 2, 8, 10, 12, 13, 16, and 17. These are the questions deemed to contain the least controversial issues. The SDT

then developed a list of retentions or changes to technical requirements in FAC-003-2 that are responsive to the industry's comments. In the process of developing the list, the SDT weighed the technical rationale for FAC-003-2 as-written against the technical rationale for the proposed changes. Decisions to retain or revise the standard will be explained in the Consideration of Comments document. (**Attachment 1**)

5. Following a session during which the entire SDT participated in the drafting of responses to question #1 comments, the SDT divided into sub groups to draft responses to comments for questions 2, 8, 10, 12, 13, 16, and 17. (**Attachment 2**)
6. The SDT spent a significant portion of the meeting on questions 15 and 11. These questions pertain to R2 and R4 of the draft standard. The SDT was not able to reach consensus regarding how to respond to comments related to triggers for implementing an Imminent Threat Procedure, comments on the Critical Clearance Zone and what the consequence for the presence of vegetation inside the CCZ ought to be.
7. The SDT began a process to identify criteria to assess various re-write options to address the above issues. The criteria include:
 - a. Responsiveness to the FERC's direction, including Order 693.
 - b. Responsiveness to stakeholder concerns.

The SDT did not complete the process but intend to complete it at the next meeting in Tucson AZ. (**Attachment 3**)