

Tribal Nonpoint Source (CWA Section 319) Workshop  
**Program Development for Water Quality Restoration in Indian Country**  
Sponsored by US EPA Region 8  
Rapid City, SD  
September 9 – 11, 2008

**Workshop Purpose**

The main purpose of this workshop is to train tribal participants in nonpoint source program development with emphasis on identification of projects, work plan preparation, and progress reporting, with the ultimate goal of enhancing water quality restoration efforts in Indian country.

**Pre-Workshop Assignment**

Each Tribe is asked to bring to the workshop a specific NPS project idea (for example stream bank restoration project, off-stream stock water development). NPS project ideas will be used in small group exercises during portions of the workshop.

**FINAL DRAFT AGENDA**

*\*Speakers subject to change\**

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**Tuesday, September 9** Moderator AM Session: *Delinda Simmons, Oglala Sioux Tribe*

8:00 – 8:30 am	Registration
8:30 – 8:45 am	Tribal Invocation <i>Tribal Elder – Oglala Sioux Tribe</i>
8:45 – 9:45 am	Welcome/opening remarks/introductions of EPA staff and Tribal participants: Value of Water Quality Restoration in Indian Country <i>Mitra Jha, EPA</i>
9:45-10:00 am	Break
9:45 – 11:00 am	Setting the Stage: The relationship between water quality planning and restoration goals of the Nonpoint Source Program <i>Barry Tanning, Tetra Tech and Lewis Daniels, EPA</i>
11:00 – Noon	NPS Basics in Indian country -- <i>small group discussions</i>
Noon – 1:00 pm	Lunch (on your own)

## Tuesday, September 9

1:00 – 5:00 pm NPS topics – concurrent sessions:

Track A: Tribal programs without TAS for CWA 319

*Barry Tanning, Tetra Tech and Lewis Daniels, EPA*

- TAS for those Tribes to receive CWA 319 funding
- Meeting restoration needs without TAS

Track B: Tribal Programs with TAS but no Competitive Grant Experience

*Jennifer Wintersteen and Mitra Jha, EPA*

- Guidelines for CWA 319 base grant awards
- Example first year work plans
- Example Quality Assurance Plans for NPS programs
- Progress Report Writing

Track C: Tribal Programs with a NPS Competitive Grant

*Peter Monahan, EPA*

- Successful project management tips for Tribes that have existing 319 projects (Sharing ideas and lessons learned) *Lloyd Stevens, CSKT*
- Monitoring Design for projects *Tony Ranalli, USGS/EPA*
- Parameters of concern for different types of projects *Tony Ranalli, USGS/EPA*
- Progress Report and Final Project Report Writing -- Documenting Results *Region 8 Tribe*

6:30-8:30pm Optional Group Dinner

## Wednesday, September 10 Moderator AM Session: MT tribe

*The project ideas you were asked to bring to the workshop will be used today as we go over the development of your NPS program.*

8:00-11:00 Overview of CWA 319 Work Plans

Overview of the 319 Base & Competitive grant process *J. Wintersteen*

○ Application Package:

Overview of Evaluation Factors and Selection Criteria *M. Jha*

Break

Example workplans and proposals -- *small group discussions*

11:00-Noon Developing CWA 319 Work Plans

- Project goals and objectives *Barry Tanning, Tetra Tech*
  - Waterbody affected by the NPS pollutants
  - Project location and activities
  - Managements practices to be implemented

- Identification of subcategories of NPS pollution *L. Daniels*
  - NPS Assessment

Noon-1:00 pm Lunch (on your own)

*Moderator Wednesday PM Session: Cody Nordvold, CRST*

1:00-2:30 pm Developing CWA 319 Work Plans, continued

- Identification of water quality problems and threats *T. Ranalli*
  - Use of Data from CWA 106 programs, USGS, and other resources
- Water quality restoration benefits *Barry Tinning and Peter Monahan*
  - Examples of water quality based goals

2:30-2:45 pm Break

2:45-3:30 pm Case studies *Lower Brule Sioux Tribe*

4:15 – 7:30 pm Field trip  
Belle Fourche Watershed, 40 minutes away from Rapid City

**Thursday, September 11** *Moderator AM Session: Scott Clow, Ute Mountain Ute Tribe*

8:00-8:30 am Identifying restoration projects on the Reservation; needs, categories of NPS -- *small group discussions*

8:30-10:30 am Developing CWA Section 319 Work Plans, continued

- Budget development *J. Wintersteen and Chippewa Cree Tribe*
  - Estimating costs of construction, equipment, supplies prior to project implementation
  - Expenditure breakdown
  - Budget Justification
- Schedule for completing work plan activities *Region 8 Tribe*
- Leveraging and roles and responsibilities *Joyce Williamson, USGS and Scott Clow*
  - Identifying other programs, parties and agencies that will provide technical and/or financial assistance
  - Identifying parties who will take the lead on each work plan commitment

Break

- Program and project performance and evaluation *P. Monahan, M. Jha*
- Relationship to watershed-based planning *Barry Tinning*

10:30-11:30	Example proposals: storm water pollution, reduction proposals, stream bank restoration proposals, animal feeding operations, BMP proposals, etc. -- <i>small group discussion</i>
11:30-Noon	Wrap Up and Evaluation; Adjourn <i>M. Jha</i>
1:00–3:30 pm	Optional Technical Assistance on NPS program (by prior arrangement between tribes and EPA staff)