

Wisconsin Tribal Conservation Advisory Council
July 19, 2007 Meeting
St. Croix Band of Lake Superior Chippewas

AGENDA

1. welcome-Ritchie Brown
2. roll call- Oneida, , Bad River, Ho-Chunk, , St Croix, , Menominee, Forest County Potawatomi, Lac Courte Oreilles, Sokaogon absent- Stockbridg-Munsee, Lac du Flambeau, Red Cliff, quorum present.
3. Approval of minutes from May 2007 Meeting in Carter, WI- motion to approve, forest county potawatomi, Oneida second. Motion approved.
4. Motion to approve agenda as amended- oneda, St Croix seconded. Motion approved
5. NRCS Update-Pat Leavenworth- reintroduced Jerry Thompson as special assistant to help with WTCAC w/106 project and help with dairy farms. Budget, 2007 is closing out fine. 2008 budget is being worked on. One focus is putting caps on what an entity may receive. 2007 Farm Bill, optimistic that it will maintain status quo. Also hoping that it will pass quickly. Budget does look good. Announce; American Indian/Alaskan Native Employees Association conference in Texas some are here going. A Civil rights review in early in 2008, Chiefs will be meeting here soon?? Have to redo EQIP flat rates for 2008 and beyond.
6. APHIS update-Joann Cruse-no Jo, Ritchie filled in. Found eab in Pennsylvania and more in Illinois. She is pursuing each tribe as far as 106 goes for EAB.
7. WTCAC update-Ritchie Brown-section 106, Tribal THPO's are being sent volumes to look at for all practices throughout the state.
8. EQIP/WHIP update-passed out last year's resources concerns from Jan Witcomb and wants tribes to review to potentially add any other resource concerns. Can either let Jan or Tribal liaison know. Tom cogger, eeo and civil rights. Handout with several laws pertaining to civil rights. And tribes being eligible for funding.
9. Review of Tribal Small Project Grant Proposals-Oneida, maple sugar camps. Motion to approve fcp, second lco, 1 abstained, motion passed (question? Are the funds ok in the small categories?) Sokaogon proposal to replace a culvert with free standing bridge. Seeking \$15,000. motion to approve, lco, second fcp, vote, motion carried. LCO project, reseeding of logging roads. Motion to approve, mole lake, second Oneida, vote motion approved.
10. New business-proposal for wind energy?? Powerpoint and materials handed out by Ritchie.
11. next meeting-August
12. adjourn