

Conference Call Notes for January 25, 2005
Dust Emissions Joint Forum

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Fine Fraction of PM in Fugitive Dust – Chat Cowherd will send out instructions to agencies that are interested in collecting soils from their area to include in the fine fraction of PM analysis. Let Lee Alter know if your agency is interested in collecting 2 5-gallon soil samples from a disturbed area. If possible, samples should be collected from sites that impact ambient PM monitoring sites. Measurements of the ambient PM ratio may provide useful information that can be compared to the results from the lab test. The MRI contract includes funding to analyze 5 different soils. Soils from Owens Lake and Arizona Road Dust (a soil standard) will be included in the 5 soils to be analyzed. Three more soils will be included to fill out the 5 different soils for Task 2 after their soil textures are determined and we know which additional soil samples should be tested to fill out the 5 soil erosion groups. All soils that are submitted will be analyzed by the same soils lab to determine their soil texture. Additional funding may be included in the FY-2005/06 budget proposal to test more soils if the procedure and results are found to be useful. The wind tunnel test set-up was re-designed to re-circulate the dust laden air. This will allow the tests to run for long periods without running out of test dust. The project review team will plan to meet in Kansas City, MO at MRI in early March to observe a demonstration.

Fugitive Dust Conference – Lee will start distributing the announcement for the upcoming Fugitive Dust Conference that will take place May 10-11 at the Hilton Palm Springs Resort, in Palm Springs, CA. The conference will be sponsored by WRAP, AWMA and the South Coast Air Quality Management District. Session chairs have been selected and speakers are being solicited to address the 4 different fugitive dust categories and air quality issues related to fugitive dust, Regional Haze and PM nonattainment areas. The Dust Forum will meet on May 12 following the conference. Lee will reserve a conference room for the dust forum meeting.

Project Proposals for FY-2005/06 – Money will be available this spring for next year's projects. The WRAP Planning Team will meet in San Francisco on March 10-11 to discuss the WRAP Workplan. We discussed 4 possible dust forum projects, including: 1) additional funding for the Definition of Dust project, 2) additional tests and AP-42 documentation for the fine fraction of PM in fugitive dust project, 3) Demonstration Plan - cost/benefit analysis for regional haze control options in Class I areas affected by fugitive dust in New Mexico, 4) characterization of fugitive dust impacts across the New Mexico/Mexico border.

Fugitive Dust Handbook – Jean-Paul Huys made a CD version of the fugitive dust handbook website. The same information available on the website can now be used on off-line computers. Contact Jean Paul at jhuys@ndep.nv.gov if you would like a copy.

RFP for the Definition of Dust - Lee Alter said that contractor proposals are due by February 1, 2005 for the Definition of Dust project.