

**Draft Agenda for Antidegradation Workgroup Meeting #6
October 16-17, 2012**

Day 1				
Time	Subject	Description and Notebook Document References	Lead	Approx. time
10:30 AM	Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Welcome and introductions Review workgroup meeting process <i>(Notebook – 1.2)</i> Review & approve Meeting # 5 Summary <i>(Notebook –1.7.5)</i> 	Lynn/ Michelle	30 min
11:00 AM	Meeting #6 Preparation	Meeting # 6 Agenda Review and Expectations <i>(Notebook-1.6.6)</i>	Tt	15 min
11:15 AM	AK Legal Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brief update of legal status of antidegradation process and court actions in Alaska and other states. 	Cam Leonard/ Eric Fjelstad	30 min
11:45AM	Review Workgroup and Tt Action items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> EPA – Essential antidegradation implementation elements that have not been discussed by Workgroup (Beckwith) 	Bill	15 min
12:00PM	Public Comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opportunity for non-workgroup members to comment on this morning’s discussion 		15 min
12:15 PM	Lunch - on site (order ahead)			
1:15 PM	Revisit Discussion Issue #6	Revisit Issue #6: - Water Quality Ranking/ Definition and Application of Protection Tiers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intro for Existing Uses Evaluation Procedures – Wade/Michelle <i>(Notebook 6.5)</i> Recommendations for draft Workgroup Report <i>(Notebook 1.0.4)</i> 	Tt/DEC	1 hour
2:15 PM	Discussion Draft Workgroup Report	Draft Workgroup Report (dated October10, 2012) <i>(Notebook 1.0.4)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft of public comment summary (Section IV) Walk through the report review process General discussion on report before thorough review 	Tt/Andrew	1 hour
3:15 PM	Break			

3:30 AM	Draft Workgroup Report Edits	Draft Workgroup Report (dated October 10, 2012) <i>(Notebook 1.0.4)</i> I. Introduction II. Status and History of Alaska’s Antidegradation Policy Implementation III. Key Antidegradation Issues A. Issue #1 - What Triggers an Antidegradation Review?	Tt/DEC	1 hour
4:30 PM	Public comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opportunity for non-workgroup members to comment on this afternoon’s discussion 	Tt	15-30 min
5:00 PM	Wrap-up and setting stage for Day 2			
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9:00 AM	Review	Review of Day 1	Tt	15 min
9:15 AM	Draft Workgroup Report Edits	Draft Workgroup Report (dated October 10, 2012) <i>(Notebook 1.0.4)</i> III. Key Antidegradation Issues (cont.) B. Issue #2 - What Information is Needed to Determine Baseline Water Quality? C. Issue #3 - How are Outstanding National Resource Waters (ONRWs) Designated? o Tier 3 (ONRW) Nomination Process Draft Workgroup Report, Appendix C	Tt/DEC	1 hour
10:15 AM	Break			
10:30 AM	Draft Workgroup Report Edits	Draft Workgroup Report (dated October 10, 2012) <i>(Notebook 1.0.4)</i> III. Key Antidegradation Issues (cont.) D. Issue #4 - Tier Two Analysis- How Should DEC Evaluate Whether a Project Provides Important Social or Economic Development? E. Issue #5: Tier 2 Analysis: What Level of Alternatives Analysis is Necessary?	Tt/DEC	1 hour
11:30 AM	Public comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opportunity for non-workgroup members to comment on this morning’s discussion 	Tt	15 min
11:45 AM	Lunch – on your own			
1:15 PM	Draft Workgroup Report Edits	Draft Workgroup Report (dated October 10, 2012) <i>(Notebook 1.0.4)</i> III. Key Antidegradation Issues (cont.) F. Issue #6: How are Waters Ranked as Tier 1 and Tier 2? G. Issue #7: Should DEC Define Significant and/or <i>de minimis</i> Degradation?	Tt/DEC	1 hour

2:15 PM	Draft Workgroup Report Edits	Draft Workgroup Report (dated October 10, 2012) <i>(Notebook 1.0.4)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appendices A-E. Are we missing anything? Executive Summary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Format • Content 	DEC	1 hour
3:15 PM	Break			
3:30 PM	Draft Workgroup Report Edits	Draft Workgroup Report (dated October 10, 2012) <i>(Notebook 1.0.4)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General state of the report • Next steps- Do we need another meeting? 	Tt/DEC	1 hour
4:30 PM	Wrap-up	DEC Antidegradation Methods Development Process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revisit agenda for entire workgroup process <i>(Notebook 1.2)</i> • Next steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Finishing the workgroup report ○ What steps DEC will take next with report ○ Further outreach on antidegradation ○ Regulation and statute development ○ Feedback to workgroup on draft regulation and statutes 	DEC	30 min
5:00 PM	Public comment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunity for non-workgroup members to comment on this day's discussion 	Tt	15 min
5:15 PM	Wrap up			

Notes:

DEC = Department of Environmental Conservation, Tt = Tetra Tech, EPA = U.S. Environmental Protection Agency