

**PRB Interagency Air Quality Task Group Notes:  
February 25, 2005 Conference Call**

*Attendance:*

Dave Klemp - MDEQ (leader)	Joe Delwiche – EPA Region 8
Elton Erp – MDEQ	Dee Rothery – EPA Region 8
Liana Riley – NPS	Dave Breisch – MTBLM
Derek Milner – USFS	Mary Bloom – MTBLM
Kyrik Rombough – South Dakota	Susan Caplan - WYBLM
Brad Schultz – South Dakota	Paul Beels - WYBLM

This call was focused on the monitoring that may be necessary in the affected area. Also, the group began discussing the other tasks outlined in the work plan.

**Action Items:** Wyoming BLM (Susan Caplan) will conduct a review of the modeling analysis completed by Argonne National Labs in support of the CBM EIS. This review will attempt to identify the areas that are predicted to have the highest impact from CBM development in the PRB. Specifically, the receptors with the highest predicted NO<sub>x</sub> and PM-10 impacts need to be identified to better determine if the existing and recommended monitoring locations are appropriate.

**Discussion Items:** The AQTG discussed the monitoring needs in the PRB. Each member present on the call offered their perspective on the adequacy of the existing monitoring in the PRB area as well as any recommendation on additional monitoring that may be necessary. The members explained their priorities as well as the objective they wished to accomplish.

In general, the AQTG felt the maps are currently adequate to use for monitoring discussion purposes. Also, most members believed the existing monitoring to be adequate at this time. However, both Montana DEQ and Montana BLM believed that an additional monitoring site for NO<sub>x</sub>/Ozone may be necessary near Birney to ensure compliance with NAAQS/MAAQS. Everyone acknowledged that their recommendations may change if the information gathered by Susan Caplan in the action items warranted it.

Wyoming DEQ was not on the call so their perspective is not presented here but rather will be discussed on the next call.

**Next Air Task Group Call/Meeting:** The next call will be held on Monday, March 14, 2005 from 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm mountain time. The call-in number is 877-972-8924, passcode 570134. The AQTG will finalize its discussions on monitoring in the PRB and begin discussing how to deal with the other task identified in the work plan.