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Subject: FW: Hg and S Workshop
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Cindy,

Brian Branfireun or Jeff Jeremiason; let's discuss again.

Don

From: G. Ronnie Best [mailto:ronnie_best@usgs.gov]
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Subject: Re: Hg and S Workshop

Don,

I agree with the recommendation that we have expert reviewers for all the major questions (topics) we wish to cover in the review and follow-up workshop report. The 'review' and 'workshop report' should be thorough, balanced, independent and shared with all organizing agencies. Within those guidelines, YES, I feel USGS can find funds to cover expenses of an additional reviewer (two, if necessary). However, I do need an estimate of the cost.

Please follow-up as appropriate and keep me posted. Since I would like to get Bill's input on this recommendation, I am cc'ing this message to Bill Orem.

With Best Regards,

Ronnie

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Ronnie,

As you may be aware, the SFWMD is covering the travel costs to bring to the Hg and S Workshop:
Leon Lamers, Assistant Professor, Department of Ecology, University of Nijmegen, the Netherlands; and,
Irv Mendelssohn, Professor, Wetland Biogeochemistry Institute, Louisiana State University.

Leon and Irv are accomplished scientists in the areas of internal eutrophication (sulfate-induced N, P, DOC release from sediments) and sulfide toxicity to plants, respectively.

These two scientists are outside reviewers for 2 of the 3 main areas of discussion at the workshop; the third area being sulfur effects on mercury methylation.
(Lamers and Mendelssohn are writing some kind of workshop report re their areas of expertise for the SFWMD)

I had asked Mark Gabriel of the SFWMD to consider bringing a scientist with S and Hg expertise, but SFWMD lacks the funds.

In case you have extra travel funds, I having spoken to Cindy Gilmour (Bill is away in Europe) have determined that either Brian Branfireun or Jeff Jeremiason (contact details below) could review/comment on S and Hg science at the workshop. If you had such funds, either Cindy or I would contact Brian or Jeff.

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