

SRM Watershed Riparian Committee
Report to the Board of Directors for 1993 - early 1994:

Committee Chair:

- The 1993 Committee Chair was Jim Dobrowolski. However, Sherman Swanson took over when Jim went on sabbatical leave out of the country. Sherman was appointed for 1994.

Board Representative:

- The Board of Directors representative to the Watershed Riparian Committee had been Barbara Allen-Dias. However, Dennis Phillippi assumed that role at the meeting last year and both have been consulted regarding this report.

Board Action Required:

- Consideration of decisions from the WRC meeting on Wednesday (see below)

Preferred Day for Reporting:

- Thursday after 4:00.

Accomplishments in 1993 and through the 1994 Annual Meeting:

- At the 1993 SRM Annual Meeting, we hosted a Riparian Symposium.
- At the 1994 SRM Annual Meeting, we hosted a Forum on the Reauthorization of the Clean Water Act.
- We reviewed position statements and resolutions.
- We reviewed a monitoring primer.
- We provided guidance regarding funding for research.
- We provided a forum at our meetings for members addressing numerous topical issues.

Decisions at the 1994 Meeting on Wednesday February 16:

We will request a letter from SRM to EPA (Bob Perchiseppi) nominating SRM members to the grazing subcommittee of the committee that reevaluates the Best Management Plans (Measures) from the Coastal Zone Management Act for inclusion into those adopted for the Reauthorized Clean Water Act. These members would also be asked to provide input regarding the pasture and rangeland part of the formula for distribution of funds to the states for Section 319, Nonpoint Source Implementation Projects. Note, Mel George has worked on the CZMA BMPs.

We will consult with the Board of Directors regarding asking Ray Housley to work the hill requesting language (in the reauthorized Clean Water Act) authorizing nonagency interest group representation on: 1. the National Interagency Committee that replaces the Nonpoint Source Task Force; and 2. The National Interagency Committee for National Program Guidance
Note: The Nonpoint Source Task Force had such representation.

- We will write a 1-page proposal for EPA to fund an SRM contingent meeting with the EMAP group of EPA. This group will help the EMAP group coordinate the work of the Committee for Unity in Concepts and Terminology, National Academy of Sciences Committee that published Rangeland Health, and other (non-EPA) rangeland agencies into their approach for arid lands monitoring. This effort will be coordinated through Bud Rumberg and the Board or Directors.
- We will work with the Publications Committee regarding an idea for a book on Rangeland Riparian Ecosystem Management.
- We will request a Workshop on the Art of Rangeland Riparian Ecosystem Management at the 1995 Annual Meetings.
- We will request a Symposium on Soil Loss Tolerance at the 1996 Annual Meetings.
- The Committee will meet on Sunday January 15 from 9:00 to 4:00 next year in Phoenix.