



**NTAA STANDING MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
June 10, 2024**

NTAA Executive Committee: Primary and Alternate Representatives in Attendance
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Region 1	Marvin Cling	X	Region 5	Brandy Toft		Region 9	Syndi Smallwood	X
	Josh Paul			Vallen Cook			Lisa Glover	X
Region 2	Steve Smith		Region 6	Tara Weston	X	Region 10	Lucas Bair	X
	Angela Benedict			Kristy Lawson			Caleb Minthorn	
Region 3	Vacant		Region 7	Billie Toledo	X	Alaska	Ida Clark	X
	Vacant			Kurt Lyons	X			
Region 4	Amy Smoker	X	Region 8	Janice Archuleta	X			
	Tiffany Lozada			Randy Ashley	X		Quorum Reached	X

EPA Representatives and others		
Pat Childers	OAR	X
Jason Walker	NTC	X
James Payne	OAQPS	X
Hillary Ward	OAQPS	X
Claudia Galaida	OAQPS	X

NTAA Staff / Fiduciary Representatives	
Mehrdad Khatibi, ITEP	X
Carolyn Kelly, NTAA	X
Max Benning, NTAA	X
Laura McKelvey, NTAA	X

X = present on the call

NTAA Action Items Generated During This Call

ACTION ITEMS	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	DUE DATE
ACTION ITEM 1: The Chairwoman committed to reaching out to the TAMS Center Steering Committee regarding IMPROVE Committee Representation.	Chairwoman	Not specified
ACTION ITEM 2: All Executive Committee members will provide ideas to the chairwoman regarding items to remove from the September Executive Committee in-person meeting agenda to contract the event from four days to three.	Executive Committee	Not specified
ACTION ITEM 3: All Executive Committee members will provide input to NTAA staff on new logo ideas (ongoing).	Executive Committee	Not specified
ACTION ITEM 4: All Executive Committee members will provide input to the chairwoman regarding dissensions to the creation of a Policy Resource Kit for EPA's Plan to Regulate Existing Gas-Fired Electric Power Plants.	Executive Committee	Not specified
ACTION ITEM 5: The Chairwoman will invite the researcher at University of Michigan to the next Executive Committee meeting (completed).	Chairwoman	Not specified

NTAA EC Standing Monthly Meeting

June 10, 2024

NTAA Executive Committee Caucus, NTAA Staff and Invited Guests only

Approximately 2 hours

10 am AK, 11 am PT, 12 pm MT, 1 pm CT, 2 pm ET

Session 1. Discussions/Updates with Invited Guests (Maximum 1-hour):

1. Introduction of NTAA's new Program Coordinator (Intermediate)
2. National Tribal Caucus Updates
The NTC liaison to NTAA supported NTAA's forthcoming Policy Resource Kit (PRK) regarding NTC reorganization.
3. EPA/OAR Updates – Senior Tribal Program Coordinator, OAR
The OAR Senior Tribal Program Coordinator informed Executive Committee members of the Climate Intensive, a webinar series organized by NTC and EPA, in which one session will focus on NTAA's and EPA OAR's work. They provided updates regarding ongoing programs and other upcoming events.
4. OAQPS Update – Manager, Community and Tribal Programs Group (CTPG), OAQPS and Staff Member, Community & Tribal Programs Group (CTPG), OAQPS
The OAQPS CTPG Manager provided updates on two recently completed regulations: primary copper smelting and polymers and resins (groups one and two). They provided updates regarding ongoing programs and upcoming events.

Session 2. Executive Committee Caucus:

1. Open EC Caucus
2. Invocation
3. Roll Call of NTAA EC Members and Staff
4. Approval of Meeting Agenda
Region 1 Primary put forth a motion to approve the agenda; seconded by Region 8 Primary. Call for questions, none. No dissensions, and no abstentions. The motion passed.

5. NTAA Budget Summary Report

The ITEP Co-Director presented the current state of the NTAA budget as of April 2024. He described that the budget may allow for an additional part-time staff member until the end of October 2024.

6. NTAA Bylaws Update

Updated bylaws passed at NTFAQ with a vote of 37 for and 1 against. NTAA staff will discuss how to solicit signatures on bylaws.

7. IMPROVE Committee

The Chairwoman informed members that NTAA and the TAMS Center received an invitation to have a representative on the IMPROVE Committee, a technical committee focused on protecting viewshed visibility. Members agreed that it would be more appropriate for the TAMS Center to have representation on the committee, and the Chairwoman committed to reaching out to the TAMS Center Steering Committee regarding IMPROVE Committee Representation.

Action: The Chairwoman committed to reaching out to the TAMS Center Steering Committee regarding IMPROVE Committee Representation.

8. NTC/AIEO [Climate Intensive](#) Event June 10-13, 2024

The NTAA PAC Member informed members of the NTAA presentation associated with the Climate Intensive, titled “OAR and National Tribal Air Association, Climate Impacts on Air Quality and Health,” on June 13th from 1:30 to 2:50pm EST.

9. Executive Committee Face-to-Face Meeting

The next in-person Executive Committee meeting, hosted by the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, will take place on September 23-27. The Chairwoman described shortening the event from four days to three and requested input from members on how to achieve this.

Action: All Executive Committee members will provide ideas to the chairwoman regarding items to remove from the September Executive Committee in-person meeting agenda to contract the event from four days to three.

10. Requested NTAA Webinars

The NTAA PAC Member described that NTAA has received requests for the following webinars: “Engaging in the PM NAAQS Designation Process” and “Tribal Roles in Implementing the EPA Oil and Gas Rules” to be held in July and August, respectively. These webinars were approved by Executive Committee members to move forward by consensus.

11. NTAA Logo

Action: Members will provide input via email on logo ideas that NTAA staff develop.

12. NTFAQ 2024

The NTAA Program Manager described that results from the 2024 NTFAQ attendee poll are being compiled into the follow-up report. The ITEP Co-Director is scheduling a meeting to discuss results from the 2024 NTFAQ survey and begin to plan the 2025 event.

13. Discussion on the NTOC as a FACA

No discussion – included in agenda item #14.

14. PRK Projects

Recently completed PRKs include Secondary NAAQS (due June 14) and EPA's Project Emissions Accounting Proposed Rule (due July 2). A PRK on the NTC reorganization (due August 9) is under development. A fact sheet was made regarding EPA's Plan to [Regulate Existing Gas-Fired Electric Power Plants](#) (no due date), and Executive Committee members should contact the Chairwoman if they do not want a PRK created on this issue. If no dissensions are received, a PRK will be created.

Action: Executive Committee members should contact the Chairwoman if they do not want a PRK created on this issue.

15. STAR Update

The NTAA Program Manager finalized the 2023 STAR and will send it to the Chairwoman and Executive Committee for their approval. The NTAA Program Coordinator will begin to work on the 2024 STAR.

16. NTAA Staffing Update

The NTAA Program Coordinator started June 3, 2024. The ITEP Co-Director shared the potential to hire a part-time staff member until the end of October 2024.

17. Additional Items

The ITEP Co-Director received an inquiry from a University of Michigan researcher who is interested in engaging with NTAA. The Chairwoman committed to inviting the researcher to present their proposal at the next Executive Committee meeting. The NTAA Program Manager reported that two new member tribe applications have been received.

Action: The Chairwoman committed to inviting the University of Michigan researcher to present their proposal at the next Executive Committee meeting.

18. Closed Session

19. Close Executive Committee Meeting

- a. Region 8 Primary put forth a motion to close the Executive Committee Caucus; seconded by Region 1 Primary. Call for questions, none. No dissensions, and no abstentions. The motion passed.