**Additional Descriptive Bullets for Project Steward roles and responsibilities – July 9, 2015**

Current Text

Project Steward

All WAQDW projects must have an accompanying Project Steward. The Project Stewards are a small group of expert technical and program staff representing the WAQS Cooperating Agencies sponsoring and overseeing the DW and associated regional modeling efforts. Stewards usher data requests through the approval process, and oversee projects through their life cycle in the WAQDW. The Project Steward's role in each data request is straight forward; they agree to act as a technical liaison for individual projects. The Project Steward has a broad role in the overall life cycle of a project; designating Team Members to support the data request, tracking and understanding the results from the modeling studies applying WAQDW data, ongoing communication with the data requestor contact(s), and tracking and facilitating the return of modeling data resulting from the application of the data request data - to the WAQDW upon completion of the modeling study.

Project Stewards are determined by the WAQS Cooperating Agencies, and are also active in the WAQS Technical Committee. Cooperating agencies include, but are not limited to, the EPA, BLM, NPS, US Forest Service, and the States of CO, NM, WY, and UT who sponsor and oversee WAQS.

Draft Additions

* Flexible but limited number of Stewards
* Regular, approximately monthly, calls to interact with DW team
* Advise and provide oversight to DW team on prioritizing fulfillment of data requests
* Evaluate applicability and utility of external projects, i.e., those not directly requested by a Cooperating Agency
* Provide feedback on DW data request fulfillment process, content, and ongoing level of effort to Technical and Oversight Committees, as needed