

**RE: March 22, 2006 Partnering Meeting - Upper Mississippi River Headwaters Reservoir Operations Plan Evaluation (ROPE Study)**

**LOCATION: Crown Plaza Riverfront Hotel, 11 E. Kellogg Blvd, St. Paul, MN.**

**MEETING PURPOSES:**

- 1. Garner support for the modeling approach by ensuring that all issues (important potential effects) will be addressed by the models.**
- 2. Gather input on acceptable balances of trade-offs between issues for the development of multiple objective operating plans.**

**AGENDA**

- 8:30 am - Check-in** and complementary coffee provided  
---- *Please verify that we have your correct mailing address* ----
- 9:00 am Welcoming Overview and Introductions** (*Kevin Bluhm, Col. Pfenning*)
- 9:15 am Presentation and Questions & Answers** - (*Steve Clark, Chantel Cook*)  
ROPE Study Goals and History  
Past and Future Involvement of this Partnering Group  
Nature and Extent of Stakeholder and Agency Involvements  
Basics of the PRM, STELLA, and Decision Models
- 10:00 am Discussion – Do the models include all the key issues?** (*Kevin*)
- 10:30 am Presentation and Questions & Answers** (Steve)  
Basics of Alternative Operating Plan Development Strategy  
Single-Objective Operating Plan Review  
Trade-Off Curve Review
- 11:00 am Discussion – What are reasonable trade-offs of key issues?** (*Kevin*)
- 11:30 am Break for Lunch**
- 12:30 pm Explore and Discuss Plan Development and Selection** (*Steve*)  
Single-objective alternatives  
No-Action Multi-objective alternative  
Example “Balanced” Multi-objective alternatives
- 1:45 pm Break**
- 2:00 pm Open Discussion and Expectation of Stakeholders** (*Kevin*)
- 3:00 pm Review Action Items and Milestones** (*Kevin*)
- 3:15 pm Close the Meeting** (*Col. Pfenning*)