

LESSONS LEARNED – 100 AREA END STATE WORKSHOP

Participant Comments – June 23 – 24, 2004

COMMENT MATRIX

178 comments were received from the 60+ attendees/participants of the 100 Area End States Workshop conducted in Richland June 23 and 24. The comments were solicited at the end of the workshop session (June 24).

The comments were sorted into twelve topic categories. Neither the comments nor categories are prioritized. Individuals who signed their comments were assigned a random code to reduce bias by reviewers.

The following table summarizes the number of responses within each category.

CATEGORY	COMMENTS
Participation - Demographics	33
Tribes	9
Invitation Letter	7
Meeting Format and Facilitation	43
Information Needs	43
Meeting Process	9
200 Area / Future Workshops	3
Agency Participation	6
Use of Input	5
Meeting Logistics - Facility	7
Meeting Logistics - Hospitality	4
Additional Comments	12
TOTAL	181*

** In three instances, comments were included in more than one category.*

Although the response to the workshop was generally favorable with respect to format, presenters, and information presented, there was considerable concern expressed about increasing public awareness and participation and making handouts and technical information more readily available prior to the workshops. (The Internet [web site] was indicated as an acceptable if not preferred media for information display prior to the workshops.) Concern was also expressed about clearly articulating/communicating expectations of the workshops and end use of the input from the public. Workshop planning and facilitation received numerous positive comments.