

Notes – CEDEN User Group Meeting

Date: **October 15, 2015**

Item No.	Item
1	<p><u>Welcome</u></p>
2	<p><u>Changes to Templates</u> <i>Discuss the process for updating templates and two changes specifically. These changes are to make datum and fish length required.</i></p> <p><u>Notes</u> The group reviewed the draft process for making changes to the data submittal templates. Several changes to the process were suggested. The most impactful one was that there be a scheduled periodic review of the templates, instead of changes being proposed piecemeal. The proposed process has been updated and is attached.</p> <p>In regards to the specific changes to make datum and fish length required, there were concerns about not accepting data that did not have these fields completed. For datum, an alternative to requiring this field (and not accepting “not recorded”) could be to have the default be WGS84 as the difference between this datum and the other datum available in CEDEN (NAD83) is only about a meter in California and WGS84 is used in Google and GPS devices. Datum is required for stations (and related data) to be transferred to WQX and it is required for water quality assessment.</p> <p>Fish length in the entry template is needed for the query tool to calculate the minimum, maximum, and average lengths. There was concern that requiring total length would not apply to those using “standard” length.</p> <p>Both specific changes will be proposed again once the process has been agreed upon.</p>
3	<p><u>CEDEN to WQX Project</u> <i>Review mapping</i></p> <p><u>Notes</u> Jarma briefly discussed the mapping between CEDEN and WQX. The workbook with the proposed mapping is attached.</p>
4	<p><u>Wrap Up</u> <i>Next Meeting: November 19, 10 am</i></p> <p><u>Notes</u> Discuss template update process during the next meeting.</p>