Workgroup Status

Workgroup: Trading

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Issue (s) Addressed:

At the workgroup meeting on September 19th the group discussed:

- Updates and Moving forward
- Discussion Points
- Sims Trading
- Other Business

At the last workgroup meeting, held on October 24th, the group discussed:

- Overview of revised Policy and Appendix
- Preparation for November 1st Steering Committee Meeting
- Post November 1st

Status Report and Recommendations:

- The integrated package was reviewed with the group to give an idea of what staff will be pulling together in preparation of the next Steering Committee Mtg.
- The group discussed 3rd party verification, administrative ratios, farmland preservation language, water year, and model contract.
- The group did a walk through of sims trading. There were rules, players, role cards and game pieces. The walk through allowed the group to play out the free market trading mechanism.
- Out of the discussions from the September 19th meeting, there needed to be better clarification on contract (defining guarantor role) and rules of exchange.
- At the October 24th meeting, the group walked through the revised draft trading Policy, Appendix A and Appendix B that were being prepared for the November 1st Steering Committee Mtg. During the review of the documents, there was discussion related to the administrative ratio, verification, and 537 issues.
- The group will continue to meet but it will be on a semi-annually basis.