

Lower Susquehanna Water Resources Regional Committee Meeting

August 13, 2007

DEP Southcentral Regional Office
909 Elmerton Avenue
Harrisburg, PA

9:30 am to 1:30 pm

DRAFT Meeting Summary

Introductions

Matt Genchur called the meeting to order and called for introductions at 9:30 am.

Regional Water Atlas Overview and Workgroup Sessions

Lori Mohr introduced the atlas consultants and talked about submitting comments on this regional draft. Please submit comments within two weeks of this meeting to the following email address: epstatewaterplan.state.pa.us.

Kathy Krommes gave an overview of the atlas format and she talked about the development of this first draft. Pat Devlin explained some GIS basics and she described how the maps for the atlas were developed. Kathy described an overview of the statewide section of the atlas and the reasons why some sections were placed in the statewide section rather than the individual regional sections. The committee worked in breakout groups to provide some initial comments on the regional sections of the atlas. DEP staff will discuss ways to address these comments with the consultants and will report back to the committee with a Comment/Response document at the November 19th meeting.

Administrative Items

Lori Mohr gave an update on DEP activities:

The Statewide Committee will be meeting on Sept 20, the P & I subcommittee will be meeting on Sept 5, and the CWPA subcommittee will meet on Aug 28.

The public meetings & hearings to review the State Water Plan and State Water Atlas will be postponed until Spring 2008.

Screening Tool Analysis

Dave Jostenski presented information that has been analyzed for the water budget screening tool. Dave also reported that there were many lessons learned from the watersheds that were scrutinized using the water budget tool. More information on the screenings will be provided at the November meeting.

Follow-up/Next Steps – Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on November 19, 2007, at the DEP SCRO in Harrisburg.