

Ohio Water Resources Committee Meeting
November 5, 2007
Cranberry Township Municipal Building

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Committee Members in Attendance:

Dan Barton	Bob Ritchey
Scott Blauvelt	Ron Rohall
Donald Bluedorn	Deb Simko
Mitchell Brouman	Bob Softcheck
Jerry Feldman	Roger Uhazie
Jeff Fliss	Daniel Gracenin
Dan Ireland	

Guests:

Paige Wetterberg	Dan Galeone, USGS
Gary Werterberg	Ashley Rebert, DEP PMA
Bill Evans, Beaver County Planning Commission	Dave Jostenski, DEP
	Lori Mohr, DEP

Introductions

Ron Rohall called the meeting to order and called for introductions at 10:00 am.

Administrative Items

August meeting summary

Bob Ritchey made a motion to accept the meeting notes written for the August 20, 2007 meeting, noting that the time of the meeting should be changed from 9:00 am to 10:00 am. Motion was seconded by Jerry Feldman. The motion passed with Don Bluedorn abstaining.

Policy and Integration Subcommittee of the Statewide Committee

Lori Mohr described the work of the P&I Subcommittee. Policy recommendations are currently being developed by the subcommittee and will be sent to the Statewide committee for consideration in the Spring. These recommendations include a policy statement from the regional committee, which is based on the top two priorities identified previously by the regional committee.

Water Conservation Subcommittee of the Statewide Committee

Jerry Feldman provided an update on the work of the Water Conservation Subcommittee, which is working to define the role of the Water Conservation Technical Assistance Center. Four questions the subcommittee are considering include:

1. What is the mission statement?
2. Where should the TAC be housed?
3. Who are the partners in the TAC?
4. How much funding is necessary?

- A. Start-up budget
- B. Ongoing funding source

Water Budget Screening Tool Results Analysis

Dave Jostenski provided information on the water budget screening tool results. A technical subcommittee was formed to take a detailed look at the screening tool results and report back to the full regional committee with a recommendation for the top five watersheds to be passed on to the Statewide committee for further investigation. The technical subcommittee will work with Dave Jostenski over the next few months and will update the full regional committee on their work at the February meeting.

Laurel Hill Creek Growing Greener Grant

Dan Galeone provided an update on the Laurel Hill Creek water budget project that is being conducted by USGS. This project was funded by a Growing Greener Grant.