

Statewide Water Resources Committee

Nov. 19, 2004
Room 105
400 Market Street, Harrisburg, PA

Meeting Summary

Attendance

Committee members in attendance

Don Bluedorn, Chair
Janet Bowers, Critical Water Planning Area Subcommittee Chair
Carol R. Collier
Nick DeBenedictis
Gerald Feldman
Tom Ford
Rep. Bud George represented by Thomas Kuhn
Joe Hoffman
Jim MacKenzie, Vice Chair
David Mandelbaum, Policy and Integration Subcommittee Chair
Susan Fox Marquart
Gary Merritt
John Mizerak
Bill Morris
Cathy Curran Myers
Howard Neukrug
William Nichols
Gary Petrewski
Robert Reichart
Robert Rosenthal
Paul Swartz
Alan Vicory (by speakerphone, briefly)
Bill Wehry
Matt Wolford

Committee members not in attendance

Rick Carlson
Michael Donohue
Scott Dunkelberger
Rep. Kate Harper
Bob Long
Rich Subasic
George Wolff

Others in attendance

Chad Forcey
Matt Genchur
Bill Gerlach

Brion Johnson
Dennis Miner
Joe Nardella
Andrea Sharretts
Dan Snowden
Bob Wendelgass
R. Timothy Weston
Sue Wilson
Leroy Young

DEP Representatives in attendance

Pam Bishop
Jineen Boyle
Bill Gast
Dave Gordner
John Hines
David Jostenski
Nicki Kasi
Hoss Liaghat
Barbara Magaro
Lori Mohr
Susan Weaver

Administrative

Review of draft September 27, 2004 Meeting Summary. Add names of individuals who made motion to accept Vision Statement, no other revisions.

Motion: Adopt draft Sept. 27, 2004 Meeting Summary.

Made By: Howard Neukrug

Seconded by: Jerry Feldman

Outcome: Passed

2005 Schedule

The following dates were proposed for the Statewide Water Resources Committee to meet:

Jan. 20, 2005

Mar. 17, 2005

May 4, 2005

Jul. 21, 2005

Sept. 22, 2005

Dec. 1, 2005

All meetings will begin at 9:30 and be held in Harrisburg in room 105 of the Rachel Carson State Office Building, 400 Market Street.

Motion: Adopt 2005 Schedule as presented.

Made By: Bob Reichart

Seconded by: Susan Fox Marquart

Outcome: Passed

Comments from the Public

None.

Update from Regional Committee Representatives

1. Howard Neukrug (Delaware Regional Committee) stated that the Committee heard from more County Planning staff and their efforts in water resources. Carol Collier (Chair, Delaware Regional Committee) reported that the Delaware Committee had enough interest in the Vision Statement to send a letter to Don Bluedorn on their thoughts on the Vision Statement.
2. Matt Wolford (Great Lakes Regional Committee) reported that at their last meeting, there was discussion on how the Regional Committee has input in to the process. Matt mentioned that the emails from Sue Weaver regarding the Statewide Committee and Subcommittee activities were helpful. Don Bluedorn asked Matt to keep the Statewide Committee informed on this issue and requested Matt to ask the Regional Committee if there is anything else the Statewide Committee can do to facilitate the communication.
3. Bill Morris (Lower Susquehanna Regional Committee) reported that the Lower Susquehanna heard from DEP staff on the Chesapeake Bay Tributary Strategy.
4. Gary Petrewski (Upper/Middle Susquehanna Regional Committee) mentioned there was a continuation of presentations from various watershed groups.
5. Don Bluedorn (Ohio Regional Committee) reported that the Committee had a presentation from USGS on the screening tool and a representative from the Army Corp. of Engineers spoke on navigation and flood control.
6. Bob Reichart (Potomac Regional Committee) said that the Potomac also heard on the Chesapeake Tributary Strategy and the Gettysburg Municipal Authority.

Subcommittee Activities/Reports

1. Policy and Integration Subcommittee- David Mandelbaum, Chair
The Policy and Integration Subcommittee requested the Statewide Committee to approve sending the Regional Component outline to the Regional Committees for their review noting that the Subcommittee agreed conceptually to the outline, but that it was not a consensus document There are two questions the Subcommittee wants the Regional Committees to answer: Is this the correct outline? And is this the correct structure.

Motion: Release the Regional Component Outline to the Regional Committees for comment.

Made By: Matt Wolford

Seconded by: Jim MacKenzie

Outcome: Passed

2. CWPA Subcommittee- Jan Bowers, Chair
The CWPA Subcommittee requested the Statewide Committee to approve sending the two draft CWPA documents (Draft Nominating Process and Craft Designation Criteria) to the Regional Committees along with the 11/19/04 memo from Jan Bowers explaining the status of the two daft documents.

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Motion: Release the two draft CWPA documents to the Regional Committees for comment.

Made By: Bob Reichart

Seconded by: Matt Wolford

Outcome: Passed

The CWPA Subcommittee requested that the Statewide Committee address Act 220, Section 3111,B., and Section 3112, item 5, i.e., setting priorities and “levels of detail” for areas of concern but that are short of CWPAs, and for identification of potential problems or conflicts. This was tabled by Chairman Bluedorn for consideration at a future meeting.

The CWPA Subcommittee requested that the CWPA Process document be assigned to the Policy and Integration Subcommittee for resolution of policy issues; the CWPA Subcommittee will continue to provide any necessary support and assistance on the technical issues and implications. This was tabled by Chairman Bluedorn for consideration at a future meeting.

3. Public Participation- Todd Giddings (Upper/Middle Susquehanna Regional Committee), Chair

The Subcommittee met on 11/15, elected a Chair (Todd Giddings) and a Vice Chair (Ron Evanko, Lower Susquehanna), and discussed the need for the Regional Committees to finalize their priorities list in preparation for upcoming public meeting/hearings in the spring 2005.

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Registration Update

Dave Jostenski provided a brief update on the progress of registration. As of the beginning of November, the Department has received 935 agriculture source registrations, 2,307 non-agriculture source registrations and 3,607 public water supply source registrations.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled for January 20, 2005 at 9:30 in room 105 of the RCSOB in Harrisburg.