

DRAFT
Statewide Water Resources Committee

Sept. 21, 2006
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
Rick Carlson represented by Dan Myers for part of the meeting
Carol R. Collier
Rob Davidson (has replaced Bill Wehry, Dept. of Agriculture)
Gerald Feldman
Joe Hoffman
Bob Long represented by Jim Messinger for part of the meeting
Jim MacKenzie, Vice Chair
Susan Fox Marquart
David Mandelbaum, Policy and Integration Subcommittee Chair
Gary Merritt
John Mizerak represented by Sean Sanderson
Cathy Curran Myers represented by John Hines
Robert Reichart
Robert Rosenthal
Paul Swartz
George Wolff
Matt Wolford

Committee members not in attendance

Tom Crane
Nick DeBenedictis
Scott Dunkelberger
Rep. Bud George
Rep. Kate Harper
Mark Hartle
Bill Morris
Howard Neukrug
William Nichols
Gary Petrewski
Alan Vicory

Others in attendance

Jennifer Engle, PA Management Associate Program
Matt Genchur
Rich McQown
R. Timothy Weston

DEP Representatives in attendance

Pam Bishop

Jineen Boyle, DEP representative on the Lower Susquehanna Regional Committee

Michelle Clark, SERO

Bill Gast, Chief Engineer, Water Planning Office

Kelly Heffner, Office of Policy

Dave Jostenski, Water Use Planning Division

Hoss Liaghat

Susan Weaver, Acting Division Chief, Water Use Planning

Administrative

Voting on the meeting summary was delayed until a quorum was reached. Quorum was attained approximately halfway through the meeting.

Review of June 15, 2006 Meeting Summary. No revisions.

Motion: Adopt as final

Made By: Jerry Feldman

Seconded By: George Wolff

Outcome: Passed

Comments from the Public

Mr. Weston, representing the PA Chamber of Business and Industry commented on when was the USGS tool information going to be made available to the public? DEP has been stating that the tool is completed, however, there has been no release of this information and there are entities waiting for this information.

DEP Update

John Hines reviewed the 9/18/06 DEP Update Memo.

Update from Regional Committee Representatives

Delaware- Carol Collier reported for Howard Neukrug (unable to attend today's meeting) that the meeting was primarily DEP presenting material to them and that Bill Manner, DEP Watershed Program Manager, reported on the growth pressure that the Northeast part of the state is experiencing.

Great Lakes- Matt Wolford spoke that the meeting was largely presentations and appreciated Bill Gast presenting the USGS screening tool, the Regional Atlas was well received and elections were held with the same officers being elected.

Lower Susquehanna- Leslie Sarvis reported for Bill Morris (unable to attend today's meeting) reported that the meeting was largely the same as DE and GL, they have several new volunteers for the Subcommittees and the atlas was well received.

Ohio- Jerry Feldman reported the Regional Atlas was well received, the Committee is still very interested in mine pool maps and their next meeting will include a discussion of the Laurel Hill Creek watershed.

Potomac- Bob Reichart presented the meeting summary.

Upper Middle- Leslie Sarvis reported for Gary Petrewski (unable to attend today's meeting) reported that they had a similar type of meeting as all of the other reports.

CWPA Subcommittee

Jan Bowers, Chair of the CWPA Subcommittee, reported that the CWPA Subcommittee met on Aug. 3. CARP Guidelines to be moved to Statewide Committee

Motion: DEP to take guidance document through process

Made By: George Wolff

Seconded By: Bob Reichart

Outcome: Passed

P&I Subcommittee

David Mandelbaum, Chair of the P&I Subcommittee, complimented John Hines for his direction and guidance on the subcommittee. David explained the purpose/origin of the cake document, and the importance of making the process understandable and important to persons not working as a Water Resources professional. He is expecting drafts of the Marketing Document articles to be sent to the P&I Subcommittee. He thinks the drafting of the Marketing Document will be a larger task than DEP can handle, and suggested that a project manager be named to handle making assignments.

PA Management Associate Program

Lori Mohr introduced Jennifer Engle who is part of the PA Management Associate Program and will be working with DEP staff on the Act 220 requirement of reviewing and evaluating statutes, regulations and policies.

USGS Screening Tool Update

Dave Jostenski presented a summary of the intent of the pilot analysis that will be conducted in two watersheds using the USGS Screening Tool. Anticipate that the pilot work will be completed by the end of the year,.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled for Dec. 21, 2006, at 9:30 in room 105 of the RCSOB in Harrisburg.