

Upper Middle Susquehanna Regional Water Resources Committee Meeting

November 15, 2007

DEP NorthEast Regional Office

2 Public Square

Wilkes-Barre, PA

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Committee Members in Attendance:

Hank Webster

Todd Giddings

Richard Wardrop

David Kauffman

Doug Manning

Amy Jacoby

Mike Cavanaugh

John Yamona

Bill Manner

Jerry Walls

Guests:

Dave Jostenski, DEP

Lori Mohr, DEP

Introductions

Hank Webster called the meeting to order and called for introductions at 10:10 a.m.

Administrative Items

August meeting summary

A quorum was not present at this meeting.

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

Lori Mohr 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.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Upper/Middle Regional Water Resources Committee will be held on February 20, 2008 at the Centre County Solid Waste Authority.