

**Draft Minutes of the
October 12, 2011 Meeting of the
Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC)**

The regular meeting of the WRAC was called to order at 9:35 a.m. by Chairperson Rob Traver on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 in Room 105 of the Rachel Carson State Office Building, Harrisburg, PA.

The following committee members were present:

Myron Arnowitz, Clean Water Action
Don Bluedorn, Babst, Calland, Clements, Zomnir
Matthew Ehrhart, Chesapeake Bay Foundation
Art Gazdik, Ross Township
Jeff Hines, York Water Company
Cory Miller, University Area Joint Authority
Jennifer Reed-Harry, PennAg Industries Association
John Schombert, 3 Rivers Wet Weather
Edith Stevens, League of Women Voters, PA
Paul Swartz, Susquehanna River Basin Commission
Rob Traver, Villanova University
Chuck Wunz, Wunz Associates

The following committee members were not present:

Robert Cavett, Merck & Co.
Jim Davis, Waste Management, Inc.
John Jackson, Stroud Water Research Center
Gary Merritt, NSG
Steve Rhoads, Shell Gas

The following DEP staff members were present:

Lisa Daniels, Water Standards and Facility Regulation
Sid Freyermuth, Watershed Management
Sean Gimbel, Policy Office
Joe Kelly, Watershed Management
Rod Kime, Water Standards and Facility Regulation
Marcus Kohl, Office of Program Integration
Bonita Moore, Water Standards and Facility Regulation
Ken Murin, Watershed Management
Barry Newman, Watershed Management

The following guests were also present:

Thomas Au, Sierra Club
Martie Baggett, Triad Strategies
Jim Erb, API
Steve Frank, GenOn
Josie Gaskey, PA Coal Association
Gina Myers, Buchanon Ingersoll
Dan Snowden, PennDOT
R. Timothy Weston, K&L Gates

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the July 13, 2011 meeting were approved on motion.

New Business:

DEP Reorganization

Marcus Kohl (mkohl@pa.gov) provided an overview of the Department's reorganization, explaining the changes that will be taking place and answered questions about the Office of Water Management's restructuring.

Discuss SPGP-4

Ken Murin (kmurin@pa.gov) and Barry Newman (banewman@pa.gov), Bureau of Watershed Management, discussed and summarized the changes to PAG-13 which was recently published in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*. Ken reviewed the high points of the changes, clarifications and municipal requirements.

Chapter 93, Water Quality Standards Triennial Review (25 Pa. Code, Chapter 93) –

Rod Kime (rkime@pa.gov), Bureau of Water Standards and Facility Regulation, held an additional discussion with WRAC on the proposed Triennial Review of Chapter 93. Rod discussed the list of parameters not in the review and to be addressed in possible separate rulemakings (Ammonia, Temperature, Flouride & Manganese, Phenolic for aquatic life criteria, Aluminum, Bromide, and Radium, Uranium, Gross alpha and beta, and other radionuclides); two parameters added to the triennial rulemaking (Sulfate, Chloride); parameters still in the triennial; metals criteria; and improvements to the notification process.

It is expected that a vote will be requested at the January meeting as the rulemaking must go to the EQB in March. A possibility of an additional WRAC meeting in December was also discussed. The group requested that this meeting allow for remote attendance and participation.

Draft Revisions to BWM-GP-8 Temporary Road Crossings – Sid Freyermuth addressed WRAC regarding changes to the GP-8 Temporary Road Crossings permit.

General Discussion

WRAC members asked questions on various issues and suggested topics for upcoming meetings, including Act 167; what DEP sees for WRAC after Chapter 93; updates on Chapters 95 and 96; and the water impact of Chapter 78.

Public Comment

One guest in attendance asked a clarifying question on GP 8 (aerial crossings).

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

The next scheduled meeting of WRAC is scheduled for January 11, 2012 beginning at 9:30 am in Room 105 of the Rachel Carson State Office Building.