

OWRC SACG Meeting

Minutes

September 19, 2013

9:00 AM

OWDA

Offices

MEETING CALLED BY	Brian Hall, OEPA- DSW
TYPE OF MEETING	OWRC SACG Bi-monthly
ATTENDEES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steve Grossman, OWDA • Ted Lozier, ODNR • Scott Jackson, USGS • Brian Hall, OEPA-DSW • Mike Eggert, OEPA – DDAGW • Marie Barnett, OEPA – DSW • Mike Baker, OEPA-DDAGW • Jim Morris, USGS • Greg Nageotte, ODNR • Matt Parrill, ODOT • Sue Daly, PUCO • Alaudin Alaudin, OEPA, DEFA • Bill Demidovich, DAS-Lean Ohio • John Lenhart, OSU-OWRC • Zuzana Bohrerova, OSU-OWRC

AGENDA TOPICS

REVIEW LAST MEETING NOTES

B. HALL

DISCUSSION	Brian Hall conducted meeting, Brian welcomed everyone and had everyone introduce themselves. The July meeting notes were officially approved.		
CONCLUSIONS	No changes were identified.		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
None			

AGENDA TOPICS

ACTIVE CONTRACTS

B. HALL

DISCUSSION	<p>Update on Battelle Shale Gas Wastewater Treatment Evaluation Contract:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shale report finalized.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion- How to release document-press release, • ODNR to approve collection on brine disposal- currently 40-50% of brine comes from out of state • All treatment systems must be approved by ODNR, write rules etc. • SB315, areas of concern flow back water Youngstown area. • OWR finds with Battelle looked @ wastewater discharge –recycle flow back water. • Questionnaire- an evaluation matrix developed by Battelle, identifying viable treatment technologies <p>Balanced Growth & Best Local Land Use Practices:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Results up-on the web • Kirby is in the closing out stage of the grant. • The Lake Erie Commission has entered into a renewal contract with CSU as of July 1 for continued work in the Lake Erie basin. The agreement calls for Kirby to provide apx. 12 hours technical assistance/outreach a week. • Previous discussion regarding the plan to hire someone to do Tech Assist in the Ohio River basin, working with General Assembly members to develop legislation to promote regionalization feel that this has components of BG, was revisited. • Discussed that goals and objectives of BG program have been revised- success measured by adoption of plans and code updates – Flood Plain management meets with local governments to measure local flood plain ordinances passed and enforced. <p>Grand Lake St Mary Fish Sampling: The fish tissue samples analyzed by State University of New York the past 3 years for toxins. Again collecting samples will be conducted by SUNY.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tests were completed for July, and are scheduled to continue in Sept, and next spring April/May.
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ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Goals and object measure success track adoption of best mngt. practices codes being adopted how many people on balance growth web site-some international, how to report success Suggestion: meet with communities		

PUBLICATIONS UPDATE

B. HALL

DISCUSSION	Rebecca’s is continuing to conduct meetings re: Geothermal Thermal –heating and cooling system, meet with the Board of Buildings standards, preparing guidance document
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CONCLUSIONS	.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None.		

SUBCOMMITTEES

B. HALL

DISCUSSION	<p>State Coordinating Committee(SCC) on Ground Water:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the well sealing workgroup guidance doc is being updated, through the state agency sub-committee, state coordinating web-site SCC GW Sub committee met August 15, at the at Horace Collins Building Guidance doc projected goal, November 2013. <p>State Water Monitoring Workshop (Water Quality Monitoring Steering Committee, Cathy met with each state agency individually and is working on consolidating their data. Data Management system, census-gathering. She had previously asked to meet with ODNR. Ted Lozier met with Cathy and others at ODNR.</p> <p>Water Management Workgroup Discussion, lost current funding, how old was data, tier info , value to state and federal programs, match funding, daily basis –real time, 120 days</p> <p>Education and Outreach-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Joe, Outreach Education Watershed not going forward without funding. Funding stopped, program gone. <p>Infrastructure Group-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Steve is updated Uniform report. Main focus small systems. Partnering among small/large wastewater systems, objective -getting them to work together. Sense of balance growth given area government bodies, non-point source infrastructure planning, any examples of jurisdictions coming together. <p>National Wildlife Commission- University of MI a frontrunner in climate control, water system resilience, sustainability etc., tools for resilience issues.</p>	
	CONCLUSIONS	
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None.		

MEETING SCHEDULES

B. HALL

DISCUSSION	<p>Next SACG meeting scheduled for 11/20, at OWDA. SACG 2014 Scheduled meeting dates: January 15, March 19, May 21, July 16, September 17, and November 19</p> <p>All meetings are scheduled to be held at the Ohio Water Development Authority, (OWDA) located at 480 S. High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215 from 9:00 to 11:30.</p> <p>PAG Meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public advisory group meeting is scheduled for October 2, at ODNR to discuss the OWRC 4 year action plan, Bill Demidovich from LEAN Ohio has accepted to lead the discussion. • Lengthy discussion on plan of action- what do we want to accomplish, questions for PAG, outcome etc., who, what, when where. • Identifying issues, are we in tune with the real issues, discussion on value of OWRC • How do you get everyone (PAG) engaged--- • Same concerns, should we provide a draft or go to the meeting with a blank slate to get fresh ideas? Discussed benefits to both, Conesus are without a draft no new ideas will be presented. • Possible topics, climate resilience, energy and water nutrients, infrastructure cost. 	
CONCLUSIONS	The SACG members met with facilitator Bill Demidovich from LEAN Ohio, in preparation to the October PAG meeting.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Bill Demidovich will develop a plan of action for 10/2 PAG meeting. Conesus was to start with a brief overview, discussion topics, and break into small groups for discussion issues.	Bill Demidovich	10/2/2013

<u>Program Updates</u>		B. HALL
DISCUSSION	<p>In place of Action Item updates we went around the table and asked each attendee for program updates.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">USGS – Jim has hired a deputy director for Michigan, Scott is the deputy director for Ohio, Working on Western Lake Erie Regional basin master plan.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">OEPA, DSW – George’s last day was Sept 13, no one has yet been appointed acting, federal ruling on Chesapeake Bay TMDL – it lawful for US EPA to develop multi-state TMDL.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ODNR, DSWR – Ohio River Basin Alliance is trying to strengthen its funding and bring 	

	<p>greater visibility to the alliance, American Great Watershed Report Card will be completed for the Ohio River and hope that highlight the Alliance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OEPA, DDAGW – working with OSU Extension to complete the web based tool to allow water private well sampling interpretation of results, microcystin bloom in Lake Erie was detected in water plants finished water (working with community to address, able to connect to another water source). • ODOT – Working on climate variability project for transportation (impact on roads and bridges from climate variability) also working on impacts to mussel populations caused by bridge improvements projects. • OEPA, DEFA – now taking 2014 Water pollution control loan fund nominations. • OWDA – Working with General Assembly on SB 37 (that creates a taskforce to address drinking rural water problems), Have new unsewered assistance program that helps with the short fall of funding, working with ODSA on alternative storm water loans – recently provided one to Butler Co for new commercial development storm water infrastructure. 	
CONCLUSIONS		
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