

OHIO SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

SWMD STRUCTURE/CONSOLIDATION SUB-COMMITTEE

January 17, 2013

Agenda

1. Introductions
2. Committee Mission
3. Review of January 10 Meeting
4. Discussion: Ideas from Meeting
 - a. Ohio EPA Facilitated Consolidation
 - b. Ohio EPA facilitated contracts and purchasing
 - c. Regional Planning
5. Next Meeting: January 24 at CCAO

Purpose of the Committee

- Your input and participation will help influence Ohio EPA's proposal for how consolidation and efforts to increase shared services should proceed.
- There may be significant work involved in this effort in terms of research and discussion.
- We need not only your own thoughts and experiences, but your willingness to talk with other SWMDs and engage them in debate as we move forward.
- We aim to have a proposal drafted by the end of February.

Review of January 10th Meeting

- Approximately 30 attendees representing SWMDs, Commissioners, CCAO and Ohio EPA
- There are instances where efficiencies can be found by having fewer districts, but there are also issues that can be created – a key part of any solution would involve minimizing these issues
- There are currently several examples of shared services; we must ensure we remove any barriers to additional cooperation
- Solid waste management in general is most effective as a local activity, but this isn't true of all aspects of the system; there is room for additional opportunities for cooperation

Discussion: Ohio EPA Facilitated Consolidation

- What would it look like in general? Timeline?
- It would need to be more than just a suggestion. What sort of incentive/trigger could be included to take it more seriously?
- While there likely wouldn't be a standard, quantitative criteria, what type of considerations could be involved in making such a call?
- Other thoughts or comments on this idea?

Discussion: Ohio EPA Facilitated contracting and shared purchasing

- This has been tried in the past and experienced little interest. Can anything be done differently this time around to bring more districts on board?
- What type of materials/services are most likely to be involved?
- What would be OSWDO's role?

Discussion: Regional Planning

- What can we do to ensure districts are talking with neighbors during the planning process?
- Should we establish planning regions? If so, how so? OSWDO regions? Ohio EPA districts? JobsOhio regions?
- Other thoughts on regional planning in general?

Next Meeting

Thursday, January 24, 2013
10:00a – 1:00p

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