

PAPILLION CREEK WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP



MEETING MINUTES

PCWP Meeting

**March 26, 2009 – 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM – Board Room
Natural Resource Center, 8901 S 154th Street, Omaha, NE**

Attendants:

The following were in attendance: Emmett Egr (PMRNRD), Dorothy Lanphier (PMRNRD Director), Clare Duda (Douglas County), Shawn Melotz, Bobbi Holm (Douglas/Sarpy Extension), Rebecca Horner (Sarpy County), Joe Soucie (La Vista), Marty Grate (Omaha), Kent Holm (Douglas County), Marlin Petermann (PMRNRD), Mark Stursma (Papillion), Mike and Linda Ryan, Mark Westergard (E & A Consulting Group), Cynthia Timmermier, Pam Daly, Scott Japp (PMRNRD Director), Amanda Grint (PMRNRD), and Lori Laster (PMRNRD)

Purpose

A meeting of the Partnership was held on the above date in order to discuss topics stated in the attached agenda. The meeting began at approximately 10:05 AM.

1. Introductions

- An agenda, sign-up sheet, and handouts were distributed.

2. Proposed Total Maximum Daily Loads for Papillion Creek

Pat O'Brien for Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality gave a presentation on the proposed TMDL for e. Coli for the Papillion Creek system. Background on TMDLs, results, possible sources of contamination and potential future regulations were discussed. The public comment period is complete for the report and it has been submitted to EPA for review. The streams segments studied are shown below and also listed is the percent reduction in E Coli bacteria to meet the recommended TMDL. The PowerPoint presentation will be posted on the PCWP website.

3. Discussion on Watershed Management Plan and Stage IV Report

- *Discussion on response to Washington County letter*

HDR provided recommendations to modify the Stage IV report to accommodate the February letter from Washington County. The PCWP Subcommittee will meet with three Washington County Supervisors on March 31st to discuss the proposed changes.

- *Deadline for final comments on report*

All comments on the draft report should be submitted to the PMRNRD no later than Friday, April 3. The report is available on the PCWP Sharepoint site.



4. Discussion on new PCWP Interlocal Agreement and Schedule on Recommendations

➤ *Watershed Management Plan, Revised Policies and Interlocal Agreement*

Legal counsel for the City of Omaha has reviewed the agreement. Suggestions were to define the administering agent and who is eligible to make a decision for a member entity. In the new interlocal agreement, the Watershed Management Plan, the Implementation Plan, and the revised Stormwater Policies will be adopted. It was suggested that the current Watershed Fund, which is the fund where member dues are collected, be renamed to the Partnership Fund and the new fees that will be collected as part of the Watershed Management Plan go to a Watershed Fund.

The question was raised about Douglas County possibly not adopting the fee structure and if Washington County decided to participate in PCWP but not collect fees.

The City of Omaha is currently looking at the budget and dues for PCWP to see what adjustments may be necessary for the next interlocal agreement.

5. NPDES Permit Compliance

➤ *Update on Annual Reporting*

The annual report for the NPDES permit is due on April 1. Kent Holm with Douglas County put together a template for the other communities to use for their report.

Rebecca Horner, Sarpy County, shared some of the literature they will be placing on doors as part of the public outreach requirement of the NPDES permit. They will also be attaching plastic decals to storm sewer inlets warning against dumping.

6. Other Items of Interest

➤ *Tetra Tech Sustainable Cities Presentation*

Tetra Tech has offered to give a presentation on the Kansas City Sustainable Cities program at the April meeting.

7. Next Meeting Date

- The next Partnership meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 30th at 10:00 AM at the NRD office.

8. Adjourn

- The meeting adjourned at approximately 12:00 PM. An agenda, attendance list, and the handouts passed out at the meeting are available upon request.

Please contact Amanda Grint at 444-6222 regarding any questions or comments concerning these meeting minutes.