

# Delaware Water Resources Regional Committee Meeting

April 14, 2004  
Nature Conservancy Hauser Nature Center  
Long Pond Road (P.O. Box 55)  
Long Pond, PA 18334

## DRAFT Meeting Summary

### **Attendance**

#### Committee members in attendance:

Carol R. Collier	Leonard Johnson
Clark Connor	Irvil Kear
Leonard Crooke	Gary Kribbs
Jeff Featherstone	George Kunkel – alternate for Howard Neukrug
Lisa Hamilton	Mike Meloy
Honorable Kate Harper	Ted Reed
Helen Haun	Barbara Smith
Desiree Henning-Dudley	Michael Stokes
John Hoekstra	Robert Wendelgass
Darryl A. Jenkins	

#### Committee members not in attendance:

John Coscia  
Julie Lynn Gallisdorfer  
David Hodge  
Howard Neukrug  
Maya van Rossum

#### Others in attendance:

Anthony Bonasera, DRBC	Everald McDonald, DEP
Ken Davis, PA Bottled Water Assn.	Steve Salveson, Bethlehem Water Authority
PJ Dhillon, DEP	Leslie Sarvis, DEP
Bill Douglass, Upper Delaware Council	Barbara Schell-Magaro, DEP
Su Fonck, The Nature Conservancy	Darryl Speicher, Monroe Co. Conservation District
Robert France, DEP	Edith Stevens, Brodhead Watershed Assn.
Bill Gast, DEP	Craig Todd, Monroe Co. Conservation District
Eric Grindrod, Spotts, Stevens & McCoy	Sue Weaver, DEP
John Hines, DEP	Bill Wells, PA Landscape & Nursery Assn.
Dave Jostenski, DEP	John Woodling, Monroe Co. Planning Commission

### **Administrative Items**

1. The summary from the previous meeting held on February 18, 2003 was approved with the following corrections:
  1. The last paragraph under the DRBC section should read: "To help the regional committees accomplish their tasks with the State Water Plan, DRBC can provide technical support and data information with existing resources; USGS study

results such as water budgets and groundwater estimates; and progress reports in the ~~DRBC Basinwide Operating Plan~~ Water Resources Plan for the Delaware River Basin."

2. Under the Wrap-Up/Next Steps section, add: "Kate Harper requested that a summary of water quality laws be given at a future meeting."

Motion made by: Ted Reed

Motion Second: Gary Kribbs

Motion was carried

2. John Hines announced that the Statewide Committee members have all been appointed and that the first meeting of the committee is Monday, May 10.
3. DEP staff proposed that an outreach ad hoc workgroup be formed consisting of regional and statewide committee members and DEP staff. If all regional committees are in agreement, the workgroup will meet to develop an outreach strategy and framework that is consistent among all of the regional committees. The workgroup members will be contacted about a meeting of the large ad hoc workgroup that DEP staff hope to set up in late May.
4. Dave Jostenski and Sue Weaver provided an update on the Act 220 registration process. Registration information will be used to develop an inventory of water use data. A water budgeting model will utilize the water use registration information to assess the availability of water and identify critical areas. All public water supply agencies, hydropower facilities and all users exceeding an average rate of 10,000 gallons per day in a 30-day period must register. Approximately 2,600 sources have registered as of April 2004. DEP expects to have approximately 15,000 sources registered when complete.
5. Dave Jostenski showed several maps as examples of GIS information that the Department currently is pulling together as part of the State Water Plan. Included were views of water withdrawals over top of geology and land use, the water quality attainment status and digital elevation models. This information will be posted on the secure Regional Committee page.
6. No comments were offered from the public.

### **Monroe County Conservation District Presentation**

Craig Todd, Monroe County Conservation District, discussed water resource management in the area. Mr. Todd's presentation highlighted the new Model Stormwater Ordinance for the Brodhead Creek and McMichaels Creek watersheds in Monroe County. He also provided a handout on their Consumptive Use Tracking report and spoke about Act 167 stormwater management plans and erosion control efforts in the county. Lastly, Mr. Todd emphasized the need for municipalities to be involved in the state water planning effort. For more information about the Monroe County Conservation District, please visit [www.mcconservation.org](http://www.mcconservation.org).

## Timeline/Flowchart of State Water Plan

Dave Jostenski provided committee members with a timeline of DEP activities that will take place between 2004 and 2008. Sue Weaver reviewed the role of the Regional Committee and included a timeline of target completion dates for Committee tasks. Handouts were provided detailing these activities and tasks.

John Hines reviewed the Act 220 Regional Plan Components (green sheet) and the responsible parties for each component, e.g. state agency, regional committees.

## Wrap-Up/Next Steps

### *Announcement / Upcoming events:*

- April 29, Monroe County Planning Commission seminar on "Planning for Sustainable Infrastructure – Water Supply and Wastewater."
- May 6, PA Bottled Water Association conference
- May 10 – 12, Goddard Forum on Sustainability
- September 30 - October 1, 2004 Delaware River Basin Watershed Conference. ***If a committee member would like to speak at the conference, please contact Desiree Henning-Dudley at 484-250-5826, and she will try to get a placeholder on the agenda.***

For the June meeting, Carol Collier requested that committee members think about key water management principles as they relate to the Act 220 Considerations (pink sheet).

Next meeting to be held on June 11 at a Chester County location. John Hoekstra will check on the availability of Green Valleys Association for the meeting location. Potential August location is Grey Towers, Milford, PA.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00 PM followed by a walk on Long Pond Preserve led by Bud Cook, Director of Long Pond TNC.