Delaware Water Resources Regional Committee Meeting

December 10, 2004
DEP Southeast Regional Office
2 East Main Street
Norristown, PA 19401
9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

FINAL Meeting Summary

Attendance

Committee members in attendance:

Carol R. Collier Leonard Johnson

John Coscia Irvil Kear

Jeff Featherstone Gary Kribbs

Julie Lynn Gallisdorfer George Kunkel – alternate for Howard Neukrug

Lisa Hamilton Preston Luitweiler
Honorable Kate Harper Barbara Smith
Helen Haun Michael Stokes
David Hodge Maya van Rossum
John Hoekstra Robert Wendelgass

Darryl Jenkins

Committee members not in attendance:

Howard Neukrug Clark Connor Desiree Henning-Dudley Mike Meloy

Others in attendance:

Julia Anastasio, DEP

Jim MacKenzie, Statewide Water
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Bill Gast, DEP

Leslie Sarvis, DEP

John Hines, DEP Barbara Shell-Magaro, DEP

Roger W. Lehman, Weston Solutions

Sue Weaver, DEP

Mark Wejkszner, DEP

Administrative Items

 The Draft October Meeting Summary was approved with a few minor corrections. Under Administrative Item #3, the motion made by Helen Haun and seconded by Ted Reed should be under Item #2, and the blank motion is a typographical error that should be deleted. In addition, Irvil Kear submitted written editorial corrections to the draft summary.

Motion made by: Mike Stokes

Motion Second: Helen Haun Motion was carried to accept the October draft meeting summary with the above corrections.

- 2. John Hines updated the committee on decisions made by the Statewide Committee at its November meeting to release the drafts of the Critical Water Planning Area Process and Criteria documents, and the draft Regional Component Framework to the regional committees for discussion and comment.
- 3. No comments from the public.
- 4. Election of Chair and Vice Chair for 2005. Bob Wendelgass nominated Carol Collier to continue serving as Chair. Helen Haun seconded the motion. Carol Collier was elected unanimously to continue as Chair.

Helen Haun nominated Bob Wendelgass, and Mike Stokes nominated Jeff Featherstone for Vice Chair. Barbara Smith declined the nomination. Gary Kribbs seconded the motion and Jeff Featherstone was elected by secret ballot as Vice Chair.

Public Participation and Regional Public Meeting/Hearing

Lori Mohr informed the committee that the Public Participation Statewide Subcommittee met in November and discussed the public meetings/hearings to be held in 2005. The regional committees need to begin planning for these meetings by deciding on a date and location, and by refining their regional priorities in a format to be presented to the public at the public meeting/hearing. The Public Participation Statewide Subcommittee will meet again in January to discuss an agenda, which will be reviewed by the Regional Committees at the February round of meetings. Lori suggested that the committee hold the public meeting/hearing in May or August, and to combine its regularly scheduled meeting with the public meeting/hearing. Committee members agreed that more than one public meeting/hearing should be held to provide equal representation throughout the basin.

Barbara Smith and Mike Stokes volunteered to refine the regional priorities and present them to the full committee at the February meeting.

The committee discussed the Proposed 2005 Meeting Schedule and changed the May and November dates. The Delaware Committee 2005 meeting schedule is now:

Friday, Feb. 11 Thursday, May 12 Friday, Aug. 12 Thursday, Nov. 10

Draft CWPA Process and Criteria Review and Comment

Sue Weaver presented an overview (handout) of the Draft Critical Water Planning Area Nomination Process document and Draft Designation Criteria document, which included specific questions for the regional committees to discuss and provide comment back to the Statewide CWPA Subcommittee by Feb. 28, 2005. The committee reviewed and discussed each document. Bob Wendelgass took notes on the CWPA discussion, and the regional CWPA subcommittee will coordinate those comments for further discussion at the February meeting.

Draft Regional Framework Review and Comment

John Hines briefly reviewed the Draft Regional Component Framework and asked that the sub group of Mike Stokes and Barbara Smith also formulate comments on this document and present the comments to the full committee at the February meeting.

February meeting, wrap-up, adjourn

Suggestions for future meetings included an Act 537 program presentation and a USGS presentation on the water budgeting tool. The next meeting is February 11, 2005 at the DEP Southeast Regional Office. The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.