Ohio Water Resources Committee Meeting

August 7, 2006 10:00 am to 1:00 pm Cranberry Township Municipal Center

Introduction

10:07 a.m. Ron Rohall calls for meeting to begin.

Administrative Items

☐ Finalize Draft May Meeting Summary

Ron Rohall asked Jay Tarara for clarification of the May meeting notes regarding the Quemahoning and a comment from Roger Uhazie. Jay's comments in the May meeting notes were correct. When CSA is complete there will be an elimination of a water withdrawal of 900,000 gallons from Laurel Hill Creek. The project has received Pennvest and PennWorks money and money from other funding streams, so once it is built, hopefully next year, and by the time it is finished, the withdrawal from Laurel Hill Creek should stop.

Ron Rohall – **Motion** for the approval of the May meeting notes, Jerry Feldman first, second Marie Clark. MOTION CARRIED.

□ DEP Update – Lori Mohr

Lori Mohr – at the last meeting Bob Ritchey had asked about the mine pool map. We will get an update on this issue at our November meeting. The study for West Virginia has been updated, and has a little more of PA included.

DEP's IT staff are working on the Slims Viewer, which is now called the Water Attribute Viewer for the Enterprise (WAVE). Spatial data for all of the water information the Department collects will be assembled in a single location.

Statewide committee meeting – described the concept of the atlas, and it was very well received. DEP is proceeding with it and developing an RFP.

The Policy and Integration Subcommittee is working on the marketing documents. They are working on the text right now.

Critical Area Resource Plans (CARP) Guidelines – Bill Gast – The CWPA subcommittee is working on the guidelines, we didn't get many comments on the draft document. The new revised draft is being distributed to the subcommittee and will be taken to the Statewide Committee Meeting in the fall.

The regulations are not finalized yet; they have to go to the Environmental Quality Board in the fall.

Regional Priorities Facilitated Session

Committee members break out into groups to go over different components. Lori Mohr will distribute the results from these break-out sessions.

Regional Atlas / Map Discussion

Lori Mohr - distributed some maps to put in the binders that were handed-out at the May meeting.

Laurel Hill Creek Assessment

Dan Barton – PowerPoint presentation prepared by the subcommittee on the Laurel Hill Watershed.

Dan Barton – Potential Next Steps/Options: Pursue CWPA before plan is developed, evaluate CWPA (critical water planning area) as a part of the plan, identify Laurel Hill Watershed as a Regional Priority in the Plan.

Follow-up/Next Steps - Next Meeting

Next meeting will be on November 13, 2006, at the Cranberry Township Municipal Building with a start time of 10:00 am.

Adjourn Business Meeting

Meeting adjourned at 1:01 p.m.