

**Draft Minutes of the
July 14, 2010 Meeting of the
Water Resources Advisory Committee (WRAC)**

The regular meeting of the WRAC was called to order at 9:40 a.m. by Chairperson Stephen Rhoads on Wednesday, July 14, 2010 in Room 105 of the Rachel Carson State Office Building, Harrisburg, PA.

The following committee members were present:

Don Bluedorn, Esq., Babst, Calland, Clements, Zomnir (via phone)
Arthur Gazkik, P.E., Ross Township
D. Tyler Gourley, University of Pittsburgh
Jeff Hines, P.E., The York Water Company
John K. Jackson, Ph.D., Stroud Water Research Center
Gary Merritt, P.G., North Star Generation Inc.
Jennifer Reed-Harry, PennAg Industries Association
Stephen Rhoads, East Resources, Inc. (Chair)
Edith Stevens, League of Women Voters of PA
Robert Traver, PhD, P.E., Villanova Urban Stormwater Partnership
Bob Wendelgass, Clean Water Action (Vice Chair)
E. Charles Wunz, P.E., Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc.

The following committee members were not present:

David Anderson, PG., Moody & Associates, Inc.
Buddy Beach, P.E. (retired)
Carol Collier, Delaware River Basin Commission
Matthew Ehrhart, Chesapeake Bay Foundation
Cory Miller, University Area Joint Authority
Nick Pinizzotto, Western PA Conservancy

The following DEP staff members were present:

Roger Adams, Bureau of Waterways Engineering
Tom Barron, Bureau of Water Standards and Facility Regulation
Heidi Biggs, Bureau of Water Standards and Facility Regulation
Tom Bold, Bureau of Waterways Engineering
Sid Freyermuth, Bureau of Watershed Management
Marcus Kohl, Office of Water Management
Bonita Moore, Bureau of Water Standards and Facility Regulation
Glenn Rider, Bureau of Watershed Management

The following guests were also present:

Mary Anna Babich, EQT Production
Jennifer Bennett, WPC
Elizabeth Bishop, PA Builders Assoc.
Chad Coy, Cummings, Riter

Jim Erb, API
Josie Gaskey, PCA
Rolf Hanson, API
Alisa Harris-Daniels, Exelon
Pat Henderson, Senate GOP
Kathy Kunkel, EPGA
Erik Ross, Gmerek Government Relations
Dan Snowden, PennDOT

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the May 11, 2010 meeting were approved on motion as final.

New Business:

Chapter 93 – Proposal of Chloride Criteria

Tom Barron (tbarron@state.pa.us), Bureau of Water Standards and Facility Regulation, provided a summary of the comments and changes resulting from those comments to the amendments. DEP is continuing to review the comments and scientific data and will return to WRAC with a final rulemaking before going to the EQB. No time line has been established as to when this final rulemaking will go before the EQB.

Chapter 93 – Triennial Review of Water Quality Standards

Tom Barron gave a presentation on DEP's undertaking of the Triennial Review of Water Quality Standards and asked for any recommendations that DEP should consider in the Review. It is DEP's hope to have the Review back before WRAC in early 2011.

Chapter 105 (Fees)

Tom Bold (tbold@state.pa.us), Bureau of Waterways Engineering, Roger Adams (roadams@state.pa.us), Bureau of Waterways Engineering, and Sid Freyermuth (sfreyermut@state.pa.us), Bureau of Watershed Management, answered questions on the language updating the fees in Chapter 105. In light of discussions, a motion was made to move this regulation forward while also asking that the Department consider modifying the proposed rule before submission to the EQB to incorporate flexibility in the fee structure to accommodate multiple structures in one project. This motion was passed unanimously.

Chapter 105 (Dam Safety)

Tom Bold and Roger Adams highlighted proposed changes to the Dam Safety portion of Chapter 105.

A motion to move this package to the EQB with clarification on the Professional Engineer requirement (in Section 105.102(b)) was approved by unanimous vote.

Public Comment

No public comment was received.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

The next scheduled meeting of WRAC is scheduled for October 13, 2010 beginning at 9:30 am in Room 105 of the Rachel Carson State Office Building.