



**DES PLAINES RIVER WATERSHED WORKGROUP
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
MAY 15, 2015 2:00-4:00 PM
NORTH SHORE WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT**

MEETING MINUTES

1. **Introductions and Announcements** – Peter Kolb, Director of Public Works for Lake County and DRWW President called the meeting to order and led the group in introductions.
2. **Chloride Monitoring**– Mike Adam, Senior Biologist for the Lake County Health Department’s Lake Management Unit and DRWW Lakes Committee Chair, presented preliminary monitoring data that the County collected from spring runoff events to capture chloride concentrations. Deicing workshops hosted by the County will be held October 6th and 7th this year. The presentation is available on the website.
3. **DRWW Business** – Peter led the group DRWW business matters.
 - a. **NPDES permits:** POTWs are receiving new permits. The phosphorous limit is 1 mg/L, with a 5 year permit limit. After 12 months, a study must be completed estimating the resources it would take for plants to reduce phosphorus to 0.5 mg/L and 0.1 mg/L. Libertyville does not have the requirement of 0.1 mg/L. Wisconsin’s limits are proposed to be at 0.075 mg/L. It has been delayed by the state legislature. The DRWW has been recognized in the permits and participants can use DRWW data to satisfy monitoring criteria.
 - b. **Lake County Public Works shared service request:** Lake County Public Works will be sending out an inquiry to other POTWs for shared services for plant nutrient removal feasibility studies.
 - c. **Agreement:** North Shore Water Reclamation District signed the agreement on Tuesday. Lake County Public Works is bringing the agreement to their Board. SMC is the fund manager for accounting purposes and will follow strict financial protocols including an annual audit. The group will be subject to FOIA and OMA to maintain transparency.
 - d. **Dues:** Invoices will be going out shortly.
 - e. **Monitoring Plan:** Wet weather monitoring will be conducted as in kind services from Lake County Public Works, Lake County Health Department, and North Shore Water Reclamation District.
4. **Next steps:**

- a. **Quarterly meeting: August 11th 2:00-4:00 PM:** committee chair reports will be conducted at the next meeting.

5. Other announcements/discussion

- a. **Farmers water quality contribution/Education campaign**

Members Present:

Mike Adam, Lake County Health Department
Jim Bland, Sierra Club
Adam Boeche, Village of Mundelein
Caitlin Burke, Gewalt Hamilton Engineers
Andrea Cline, Geosyntec Consultants
Brian Dorn, North Shore Water Reclamation District
Erika Frible, Village of Hawthorn Woods
Chris Gheysen, Manhard
Betty Harrison, Village of Lake Zurich
Logan Hawley, Cardno
Rob Horne, Village of Lincolnshire
Peter Kolb, Lake County Public Works
Austin McFarlane, Lake County Public Works
John Nelson, Lake County Forest Preserve District
Mike Reynolds, Village of Buffalo Grove
Joe Robinson, North Shore Water Reclamation District
Maggie Soliz, Applied Ecological Services
Michael Talbett, Village of Kildeer
Steve Vella, Village of Libertyville
Mike Werner, Lake County Stormwater Management Commission
Vern Witthuhn, Strand Associates