

Des Plaines River Watershed Workgroup Monitoring Committee

6/16/2016

1:00PM – 2:30PM

Lake County Central Permit Facility

500 W. Winchester Road, Libertyville IL 60048

- Finalize Monitoring Site Locations
- Plan for Post June Sampling Needs from Suburban Labs or Other

Meeting Minutes

1. Call the meeting to order: Joe Robinson called the meeting to order at 1:05.
2. Agenda Changes/Approval: Joe asked if there were any changes to the agenda. There were none.
3. Approve Previous Meeting minutes: Mike Adam made a motion to approve the minutes from 3/9, Al seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Public Comment: Don Hey and Kathy Paap from Wetlands Research, Inc. requested a letter of support for a project in Vernon Hills with Lake County Public Works to restore wetlands and potentially use in the future for water quality trading. They will provide a template/written information about the project.
5. Recognize LCFPD & LCDOT for Additional Funding for Expanded Monitoring Study
6. Action Item: Discuss Update on QAPP Status/Revisions. Andrea Cline said that SMC had passed along comments on the Bioassessment QAPP and they are working to address them. Jim Bland requested that the QAPP comments from Illinois EPA be passed along to the Committee.
7. Action Item: Discuss Organization Program for Data. Leslie Burns integrated all of the EDDs into a master spreadsheet. The issue is that SL is submitting the data in multiple formats. Leslie said that some of sites were being sampled according to the wrong tiers. Mike Warner said that he will have Jeff Laramy put it on the SMC interns' rainy day list. He would also entertain a separate contract between SMC and SL to get the data in order. Joe Robinson also talked about the high fecal levels. Steve Vella asked for the sampling date.
8. Action Item: Finalize Monitoring Sampling Points. Jim Bland asked if we could put an updated KMZ file on the DRWW website. Jim also said that MBI used attribute tables in Google Maps. Discussion took place regarding site access. SMC has stream maintenance authority. The question was asked how many are on private property owners. A letter has been sent out to all riparian property owners for stream inventory. Mike Warner said sampling should be okay, no further permission will be necessary. Jeff brought up that the letter wasn't sent out in all subwatersheds and asked if it should be sent out to the riparian land owners in subwatersheds

where stream inventories are not being done? Mike Warner said no. Andrea said that the DRWW also has a letter for the sampling teams to carry with them.

9. Action Item: Discuss Sampling Contracts and Post June 2016 Actions. The contract amendment for MBI is for \$195,351 and 69 sites; originally the contract was for \$165,000 and 44 sites. The new contract with SL is for \$115,000 for six sampling events for water column chemistry and sediment analysis. Mike Zemaitis made a motion to approve the MBI contract amendment and the SL contract. Jim Bland seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
10. Action Item: Discuss MS4 Permit Requirements. Andrea gave an overview of the proposed MS4 monitoring program. The monitoring program is supposed to be designed and implemented by September 1, 2016. She took all sites for the parameters in the draft MS4 permit. She needs to review the match requirements with SMC, but it seems to work out.
11. New Business: There was no new business. Jim Bland had asked for the impairments to be listed on the DRWW website. It was discussed that we should add a data qualifier to that saying that the data is old, etc.
12. Next Monitoring Committee July 21st – 1:00PM
13. Adjourn: Mike Adam made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jim Bland. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Members Present:

Mike Adam, Lake County Health Department

Jim Bland, Sierra Club

Leslie Burns, Lake County Forest Preserve District

Austin McFarland, Lake County Public Works

Joe Robinson, North Shore Water Reclamation

District Steve Vella, Libertyville

Mike Zemaitis, LCDOT

Others Attendees:

Andrea Cline,

Geosyntec

Brian Dorn, North Shore Water Reclamation

District Rob Flood, North Shore Water

Reclamation District Don Hey, Wetlands Initiative

Jeff Laramy, Lake County Stormwater Management Commission

Tom Morthorst, Third Lake

Kathy Paap, Wetlands Initiative

Mike Warner, Lake County Stormwater Management Commission