

PA 12-155 Workgroup 3 – Municipal options to address phosphorus reduction in receiving waters

May 13, 2014, 9:00 AM Meeting Notes

Attendees: Fred Andes (via phone) Demetri Athanasiou, Denis Cuevas (via phone), Sarah Cwikla (via phone), Rowland Denny (Co-chair), Tim Dupuis, David Ignatowicz, Judi Meunier, Mike LeClaire, Steve Seigal and Dennis Waz (Co-chair).

Meeting notes from the April meeting: M/S to approve with two corrections: add Steve Seigal to and remove David Ignatowicz from the attendees list. Tim Dupuis/Mike LeClaire. Motion passed.

Demetri worked up some graphs and significant discussion continued. Additional data is needed for the graphs to be used as intended. Demetri was commended by the workgroup for his work to date. He will be ending his internship at DEEP shortly but stressed that he would like to see this project through and will work with us to do so. Judi will be with us into July.

The New York data we are seeking appears to be significant and would be helpful. It may take some additional prodding to get an adequate response.

It was mentioned that Dave Pinkham should have cost data for Massachusetts plants and Steve McCurry may if he does not. Tim Dupuis will research phosphorus work in Maine.

Steve Seigal asked about how our report is going to look. Discussion continued.

Rowland will ask Chris Malik about the format the non-point workgroup will be using to report costing of the BMPs.

Rowland will send updated data sheet to committee members so inquiries for further data can be made.

Fred Andes asked as to whether carbon footprint would be factored into the BMPs? He referenced a WEFTEC paper – Boise, Idaho.

Again it was mentioned that the deadline for the legislative report may be moved out to October 2015 since currently CASE has a final deliverable date two weeks before the report is due to the legislature this October. This does not give enough time for review.

There is a house bill being considered to provide a 20% grant bonus to all facilities required to remove phosphorus to 0.2 mg/l or less. It has not been acted on at this point in the legislative schedule.

Next meeting we will develop a schedule for our activities.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, June 10th from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM in conference room 6A at DEEP headquarters. Future meetings will continue on the second Tuesday of the month from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM.

M/S to approve adjourning at 10:03 AM: Tim Dupuis/Steve Seigal, motion passed.

If you have any questions, please contact Rowland Denny at 860-424-3749 or rowland.denny@ct.gov.