

TAC Meeting
South Washington Watershed District
Thursday May 28, 2015
1:00 p.m.
Cottage Grove City Hall
12800 Ravine Parkway S

1. **Welcome**

Meeting began with introductions at 1:00 pm.

Attendance:

C. Ellison/ USGS	E. Anderson/WCD
R. Burfiend/Cottage Grove	C. Zadak/MPCA
S. Doucette/Woodbury	B. Livingston/MPCA
J. Mulcahy/Met Council	B. Bachmeier/Oakdale
J. Moore/Denmark Township	J. Loomis/SWWD
J. Sorensen/MnDNR	M. Moore/ SWWD
D. Fabian/BWSR	A. Schilling/SWWD

2. **Process and Participation**

- Role of TAC
- Integrating TAC input into Plan Update

3. **Issues Discussion**

Open discussion of issues in the District that should be considered as part of the Plan Update. All issues were previously identified through Agency input process.

Issues discussed included:

- LID/MIDs and SWWD development standards—continue with resource based approach or standardize where possible with MIDs. Consensus that resource based approach that takes varying site hydrology conditions into account is best for SWWD. Goal to maintain existing or improve hydrology conditions as indicated at Regional Assessment Locations.
- Erosion and Sediment Control Inspections Coordination with overlapping MS4s. There is a need to formalize roles of various jurisdictions. New plan should continue to set expectations for other MS4s within SWWD. Goal to ensure compliance with MS4 permit with minimal jurisdictional duplication across district.
- Flooding Emergency Response Plan—still a need in Woodbury, could be beneficial as part of City’s comp plan update. Role for District potentially to include modeling various scenarios to ID problem areas, establishing triggers for response where possible, establishing real time monitoring stations where triggers can be established so as to inform existing Municipal information/response systems.
- Climate Adaptation—Role for District in identifying at risk areas and working with Cities to increase system resilience. Potential to adopt State plans/strategies as guidance documents when available.

- Chloride—Adopt completed Chloride TMDL as guidance document and approach implementation through CCIP program in partnership with Cities/County. Continue monitoring efforts which are beneficial to planners at multiple levels.
- Groundwater—Clear role for District in pollution prevention (de-icing, infiltration BMP siting, etc), conservation (i.e. Woodbury pilot programs), and assessment (CDSF monitoring). Less clear role in permitting currently non-permitted users. Reference or adopt N&E areas groundwater plan. Will set up a separate meeting with DNR to discuss N&E plan and identified watershed district roles.
- Natural resources—adopt policy to encourage site appropriate vegetation, preservation of tree canopy; expand Greenway plan to East and West as means to connect natural/open space, preserve surface water conveyance, unique features, etc.
- Education—use website as a information distribution tool that can house and point to other agencies information, past plans, data, maps, etc. Relationship with MN Stormwater Manual.
- Additional issues to consider: setting standards for topsoil and decompaction following development; ensuring performance of infiltration BMPs; tracking sedimentation fill rates of BMPs.

4. Next Steps

- Plan Update status
- Timeline: Anticipate initial planning workshop with SWWD Board in June with Draft Issues/Goals section of WMP ready for review with TAC in August.

Meeting ended at 3:00 p.m.

Input received following the Meeting

J. Pilarski/Washington County:

- In County Groundwater Plan, WDs primarily identified as partners for assisting with implement actions related to groundwater supply, groundwater/surface water interactions, pollution prevention (nutrients, roadsalt, etc.), and conservation. Role for SWWD in supply could include participation in joint modeling efforts and continued monitoring to characterize groundwater quality and quantity.
- Continue current efforts related to groundwater monitoring and de-icing improvements
- Plan should tie in Results Based Accountability

D. Fabian/BWSR

- Consider ways to increase public awareness of update process and participation in that process.
- May want to reconsider a more active role in AIS as related to St. Croix River given recent findings of big mouth carp.