

New Jersey Clean Water Council
June 10, 2014

Location:
NJEIT, 3131 Princeton Pike, Building 4, Suite 216, Lawrenceville, NJ

Members Present:	
George Bakun-NJ Business & Industry Ferdows Ali- NJ Dept. of Agriculture Robert Breslin-NJ State AFL-CIO Stan Cach-NJ Dept. of Environmental Protection Jim Cosgrove-NJ Society of Professional Engineers Russ Funari-NJ Chamber of Commerce Amy Goldsmith-General Public Dan Van Abs-General Public	Mary Anna Holden-NJ Board of Public Utilities Tony McCracken-General Public Lou Neely-NJ League of Municipalities James Requa-NJ Dept. of Community of Affairs Jessica Sanchez- Delaware River Basin Commission Chris Sturm-General Public Tony Valente-NJ Dept. of Labor Helen Heinrich-Advisor Peggy Gallos-Advisor
Others: Maria Zazzera, BPU Staff Eng. Greg Cavallo, DRBC Mickenzie Roberts – Intern NJ Future	NJDEP Staff: Michele Putnam, Director, Div. of Water Quality Julie Krause, Division of Water Quality Tracy Omrod, Division of Water Quality

Meeting began at 10:05 am

The April 8, 2014 meeting minutes were approved with amendments. Jim Cosgrove motioned to approve the minutes, Jessica Sanchez seconded, and Jim Requa and Lou Neely abstained.

DEP Updates:

- Dan Kennedy is the new Assistant Commissioner, Water Resources Management. The Council expressed a desire to meet with him in July. Recognizing that standing Council meeting times conflict with AC Kennedy's schedule, the Council tentatively rescheduled the July meeting to the afternoon, 1:30 – 3:30 pm.
- The Storm water Rules 7:8 expire August 2014.
- The Council discussed the litigation of the Passaic TMDL requiring year-round limits. The Appellate Court has sided with the DEP, upholding the year-round discharge limits.
- The Raritan nutrient TMDL will be published in the June register.
- The status of the Water Supply Master Plan is unchanged.
- The EPA "Waters of the US" rule is under review by the DEP Land Use Management. The EPA deadline for public comments is now October 20th. Amy Goldsmith offered to provide Council members with the web link for comments.
- Water Quality Management Planning is still under development, the target for the next external stakeholder opportunity is September.
- Division of Water Quality continues to focus on Emergency Response Planning and Resiliency. On the morning of June 6th DEP and Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness held an Emergency Response Planning workshop and invited utilities to participate. In the afternoon of June 6th, DEP held a session on the Resiliency Guidance.

- A stakeholder meeting is being held on June 17th for the Tiered Drinking Water rule. The stakeholder meeting will include a discussion of monitoring at the intake and a different implementation mechanism than was previously discussed with stakeholders.
- Representatives from the DEP will attend the September Council meeting, rule proposal after September, and discuss the Tied Drinking Water rule.

New Business:

Greg Cavallo from the Delaware River Basin Commission presented the history, implementation and results of the PCB TMDL in the tidal Delaware River. Greg's PowerPoint presentation will be available on the NJCWC's website.

On Thursday June 12th the Assembly is holding a hearing on Urban Water Infrastructure.

NJ Spotlight is holding a forum on June 20th on Water Infrastructure and Dan Van Abs is the keynote speaker.

Old Business:

The Council discussed potential topics for the December public hearing. Topics discussed include:

- Nonpoint Source Pollution,
- Storm water management,
- 20+ years of TMDLs,
- LEED building and Water,
- CSO draft permits,
- CSO and Green Infrastructure at the neighborhood level with tangible examples,
- WQMP,
- Integrated WQMP with specific examples of tangible results.

Amy Goldsmith, Jim Cosgrove, Jessica Sanchez, and Chris Sturm volunteered to be part of the committee to further explore public hearing topics.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 11:55 am