

NR 809 Lead & Copper Stakeholder Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Mar. 14, 2025 | 12:30pm 3:00pm | Hybrid

In-Person: State Natural Resources Building, Madison – GEF 2 – Room G09

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Phone Conference ID: 674 267 778#

I. Opening Remarks

Steve Elmore, DNR Drinking Water & Groundwater Program Director

- Welcome was extended to all attendees. A reminder was shared on the importance of this work and on the implementation of the federal LCRI into state law. While the DNR is watching federal developments, the rule promulgation process is moving forward in Wisconsin. The attendees' input is greatly valued as this work continues.

II. Housekeeping

Jesse Jensen, Drinking Water & Groundwater Program Southeast Region Field Supervisor

- Introducing New Participants: The committee welcomed Evan Feinauer, Andrew Jacque and AJ Schmeiser to the meeting. New attendees shared the following reasons for participating in the committee:
 - Concern for systems that fall in between the gaps of the rules.
 - Issues related to when corrosion control treatment fails to work.
 - Concerns regarding water hygiene within plumbing and the difficulty at controlling this at entry points.
 - Soon-to-be graduate from UW Madison with interest in observing discussion.
- Meeting 1 Survey Recap: Survey results indicated attendees were most interested in learning about lead service line replacements, followed by service line inventory, compliance monitoring, public education and school/childcare monitoring. As a result, these areas will be focused on more during the presentations.
- Meeting 1 Information Recap:
Ann Hirekatur, Drinking Water & Groundwater Program Lead & Copper Section Manager
 - During the last discussion, gaps in the current state code were reviewed and compared against the LCRR and LCRI. For this discussion, the DNR will share how the proposed state rule addresses gaps in the current code rather than distinguishing between the LCRR and LCRI to avoid confusion.

[Link to slides](#)

III. Proposed NR 809 Rule Changes

- Lead & Copper Compliance Monitoring – Sarah Gunnell, Lead & Copper Monitoring Specialist
- Lead Action Level Exceedances – Briana Harter, Lead & Copper Rule Coordinator
- Corrosion Control – Sam Munk, Corrosion Control Specialist
- Schools & Childcare Facilities – Briana Harter, Lead & Copper Rule Coordinator
- Service Line Inventories – Cora Bachhuber, Service Line Inventory Specialist
- Service Line Replacements – Ann Hirekatur, Lead & Copper Section Manager

[Link to slides](#)

IV. Meeting Wrap-Up/Next Steps

Jesse Jensen, Drinking Water & Groundwater Program Southeast Region Field Supervisor

- A follow-up survey will be sent to committee members to capture feedback, including which topics to cover for the next meeting. It will include an option if attendees want to move the meeting to only virtual or continue with a hybrid meeting format.

MEETING PARTICIPANTS

IN-PERSON PARTICIPANTS

Organization	Name, Title
Blue Green Alliance	Richard Diaz, Water Infrastructure Field Manager
Municipal Environmental Group – Water Div	Jared Walker Smith, Attorney
Pace Analytical	Paul Junio, Quality Program Manager
Process Research Solutions	Abigail Cantor, President
WI Assoc of Local Health Depts and Boards	Mark Melotik, Environmental Health Manager
Wisconsin Conservation Voters	Peter Burress, Government Affairs Manager
Wisconsin State Lab of Hygiene	Amanda Martin, Inorganic Chemist
UW Student Guest	AJ Schmeiser

VIRTUAL PARTICIPANTS

Organization	Name, Title
American Water Works Association, WI Section	Curt Czarnecki, Vice-Chairperson
Am Council of Eng Companies, WI Section	Amrou Atassi, Sr Drinking Water Project Manager
Clean Wisconsin	Evan Feinauer, Clean Wisconsin Attorney
Pewaukee City Water and Sewer	Jane Mueller, Utility Manager Rob Kincaid, Assistant Utility Manager
City of Marshfield	John Richmond, Water Superintendent
League of Wisconsin Municipalities	Evan Miller, Government Affairs Specialist
Midwest Environmental Advocates	Dan Gustafson, Senior Staff Attorney
Milwaukee Water Commons	Joe Fitzgerald, Policy Manager
Northern Lake Services	RT Krueger, CEO and President and Chris Geske
Wisconsin Department of Children and Families	Jillian Clemens, Head Start Collaboration Director
Wisconsin Department of Health Services	Brian Weaver, Lead Poisoning Prevention Policy Advisor Jordan Murray, Groundwater Toxicologist
Wisconsin Manufacturers and Commerce	Adam Jordahl, Director of Environmental Policy
Water Quality Investigations	Andrew Jacque, Chief Scientist & Founder
Wisconsin Rural Water Association	Chris Groh, Executive Director

WISCONSIN DNR PRESENTERS AND FACILITATORS

- Steve Elmore, Drinking Water & Groundwater Program Director
- Jesse Jensen, Drinking Water & Groundwater Program Field Supervisor
- Ann Hirekatur, Lead & Copper Section Manager
- Natalia Hernandez, Drinking Water & Groundwater Communication Specialist
- Sarah Gunnell, Lead & Copper Monitoring Specialist
- Sam Munk, Lead & Copper Corrosion Control Specialist
- Cora Bachhuber, Service Line Inventory Specialist
- Jeffrey Flashinski, Lead & Copper Water Supply Engineer
- Briana Harter, Lead & Copper Rule Coordinator
- Molly McNab, Legal Services Attorney
- Jonathan Fuller, Legal Services Intern