

# Groundwater Collaboration Work Group

## Communication Subgroup Notes

### February 11, 2016

**Attendees:** Tom Bauman, Devina Bonness, Kyle Burton, Sara Geers, MaryAnne Lowndes, Jodi Parins, Russ Rasmussen, Andrew Savagian

#### Summary of Homework Assignments

- Change some of the language in the Short-term Solutions Work group
- DNR will check with legal on statutory need for special designation
- Group agreed to model recommendations after the Short-term Solutions Work Group format
- Communication pieces will need to be addressed by the Communications Work Group
- Group agreed to try for an April 1 draft for the report (if sooner Ok) and a final report by May 1
- Group agreed news release would go out via external work group along with web sites hosted by various entities
- Russ will review news release with Drew and send draft to Jodi P., Davina B., Sarah G. et. al.
- DNR will develop web page with work group meeting information
- DNR will create ftp site or use other way to collect information for Sarah G. and Davina B. to post materials to their web site
- Time line: End of February

#### **I. Introduction/Agenda Repair**

##### Agenda Repair

- Russ Rasmussen: Add two discussion items, on implementation and on a news release
- Jodi Parins: Add a discussion item on sampling

##### Review of December Homework Assignments

- Andrew Savagian will distribute a draft of the notes for review: **DONE**
- Work group leaders (Kyle Burton, Andrew Craig, Casey Jones) will go back and work with their group members to rank/prioritize the recommendations: **DONE**
- Andrew S. will work on a template for recommendations & template of report document: **DONE**
- Andrew S. will work with DNR web staff on draft web pages: **DONE**
- Tom Bauman will check on developing GovDelivery for work group effort: **DONE**
- Tom Davenport will get Russ Rasmussen USEPA list of folks to reach out to: **Ongoing**
- Russ R. will discuss with DNR administration possible news release discussing progress of work group; would update work groups; release could include GovDelivery link for sign up (if ready): **Ongoing**
- DNR staff will schedule remaining work group meetings in early 2016: **DONE**

## **II. Work Group Recommendations Summary**

### **A. Kyle Burton provide update on Short-term Solutions Work Group**

Jodi Parins: WI DNR 2(2), is this one watered down? I know we had talked about setting up an area of special eligibility, like Kewaunee County

Russ Rasmussen: This seems to be more a statement from a statewide perspective, so do we want to add a sentence about Kewaunee County?

Sarah Gears: Would that require a statutory change? See 9(1), which is regulatory

Kyle B.: We'd have to check, including checking with legal, but I don't think so

**DNR will add language in DNR #2(2) and under State Legislature an "9(f)" And DNR will also check with legal on the statutory need for this special designation**

### **B. Compliance – Group discussed recommendations from work group**

**Group agreed to model the recommendations after Kyle's work group format  
Communication pieces will need to be addressed by the Communications Work Group**

### **C. Sensitive Areas/BMPs**

Russ R. provided a brief summary of the Feb. 10 meeting of the work group

Russ R.: Some recommendations, while voluntary, it is understood they may become statutory later

Russ R.: Two more meetings are planned; Feb. 24 is next meeting; March 9 for the second meeting

## **III. Finalizing Report**

Andrew S.: What's the process for finalizing all the recommendations and pulling them forward?

- Teams will meet to review the draft report and provide edits
- DNR, other agencies and local government will review and provide input

Group discussed outline; agreed to:

- Add a section on background/history
- Add language on a continuing group (long-term implementation group), as recommended by work group
- Want to add documents that work group created (i.e. fact sheet)
- Wanted to add recommendations where consensus wasn't received
- Add a section on relevant, current research
- Add a section on potential funding opportunities (in appendix)

Draft: April 1 (if sooner great)  
Final: May 1

#### **IV. Report Outreach: Communication Plan Update**

Group reviewed draft communication plan; agreed for the need to get something out to the public sooner rather than later via news release; news release would go out via external work group along with web sites hosted by various entities

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Rest of communication plan time line is same, April 1 draft and May 1 final

#### **V. Next Steps**

Group agreed to discuss the particulars – use what tool to comm. to whom and by who – at another meeting (possibly by phone)

Group agreed to try and meet after either the Feb. 24 BMP meeting or the March 9 meeting