

Nutrient Scientific Advisory Board Meeting #10 Minutes

Friday, July 8, 2011

TJCOG - 4307 Emperor Blvd, Durham NC, 27703

9:30 am -12:00 pm

Attendees

Members: Charles Brown (for Matt Flynn, absent), Michael Layne, John Cox (and Michelle Woolfolk, alt), Larry Band, David Phlegar, Trish D'Arconte, Grady McCallie, Bill Hunt (and Kathy DeBusk, alt), Matt Lauffer (and Andy McDaniel, alt)

Non-Members: Andy Sachs (facilitator), Jason Robinson (DWQ), Rich Gannon (DWQ), Kathy Stecker (DWQ), Adugna Kebede (DWQ), Robert Patterson (DWQ), Sarah Bruce (UNRBA), Michael Schlegel (TJCOG), Britt Stoddard (Wake), Fred Royal, Sally Hoyt (UNC), John Huisman (DWQ), Trevor Clements (TT), Josh Johnson (AWCK), Sandra Wilbur (Durham), Brian Jacobson (URS), Trevor Clements (TetraTech)

Agenda

- SAB Protocols
- Jordan Watershed Remodel per 3(d)(2)(b)
- Methods for Assigning Credits to Candidate Practices per 4(b)(1) and (4)(b)(3)

List of Materials

- Proposed Process for Major NSAB Decisions
- Two (2) NSAB Modeling Subcommittee Summary Documents (1 page and 8 page)
- Revised Candidate Practices and Accounting Tables

Convene

- Board members and guests introduced themselves.
- The agenda was approved and the July minutes were adopted with one minor revision.

NSAB Protocols

- Rich Gannon stated that the questions was raised several times about how interested parties that were not represented on the Board could provide information to the Board, such as additional load reducing practices, accounting data, research, etc. The group discussed different ways this could be done. The Board decided that for now, DWQ will set up an email address to receive all information from non Board members and selectively distribute relevant information to the Board. After the volume of traffic that will be received is known, the Board may revisit this issue. It was agreed that a future agenda item will be proposed to discuss how the Board would want to solicit comments from interested parties on NSAB decisions.
- A document was passed out and the facilitator initiated a group discussion to decide on how the group would decide on reaching closure on important SAB decisions. The Board agreed on the terms laid out in the document.

Jordan Watershed Remodel per 3(d)(2)(b)

Two documents were distributed that were developed by the Watershed Remodel Subcommittee. One is an eight-page summary document of the subcommittee's findings, and the other is a condensed one-page summary. Board members Trish D'Arconte and John Cox, and interested party Sally Hoyt presented the Subcommittee's findings. Trish summarized the existing 2001 Jordan Watershed Model, and covered the minimum criteria for a watershed remodel. John then discussed the "desirable" criteria of a watershed remodel. The PowerPoint presentation can be found on the NSAB website. The Board then discussed the presentation. At the next meeting, the Subcommittee will focus on questions raised by the Board, will break down tiers of the criteria, and prioritize criteria.

Discussion of Candidate Practices and Method for Assigning Credits

A document was distributed by DWQ to the Board that contained two tables. One lists practices that could be used to achieve nutrient reduction from existing development and that currently have acceptable accounting methods available, and the other lists potential practices whose nutrient-reduction capabilities cannot currently be estimated due to a lack of sound accounting. The document had been distributed at the last meeting, and was revised according to Board discussion. The group briefly discussed the revised tables, and offered few additional nutrient-reducing practices to add to the list. These changes will be made to the document, and distributed for discussion at the next meeting.

Potential Agenda Items for Next Time

- Watershed Remodel Subcommittee Report follow-up
- Continue discussion of candidate nutrient-reducing practices and associated accounting methods

Meeting Wrap-up

The Board expressed appreciation to the modeling subcommittee for their valuable and substantive work

Next Meeting

- Unless specifically rescheduled, the first Friday of each month, 9:30 – 12:00 at TJCOG