



Type of Meeting: Shell Rock Winnebago One Watershed, One Plan Advisory Committee

Date: May 13th, 2020

Time: 3:00- 4:30 PM

Location: Zoom call

Facilitator: Julie Blackburn and Courtney Phillips

Note Taker: Courtney Phillips

Attending: Julie Blackburn, RESPEC; Jeff Berg, MDA; Bill Howe, Watershed Advisory Committee; Dan Girolamo, DNR; Jennifer Ronnenberg, MDH; Emily Zanon, MCPA; Michele Stindtman, Faribault SWCD; Steven Jahnke, City of Albert Lea; Dave Copeland, BWSR; Shaina Keseley, BWSR; Phil Wacholz, City of Albert Lea; Julie Westerlund, BWSR; Laura Cunningham, Lakes Foundation; Holly Karsjens, CVB; Leslie Matthias, Stakeholder; Brenda Lageson, Freeborn SWCD; Chad Billet, Freeborn SWCD; Rachel Wehner, Freeborn County; Courtney Phillips, SRRWD; Dalton Syverson, City of Albert Lea.

1. Introduction

- Overview of the process
- Feedback from last Advisory Meeting and how it was used

Courtney opened the meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves. First the Steering committee, followed by the state agency folks and introductions ended with the local stakeholders. Courtney gave an overview of how the meeting would work and how comments will be received and turned the meeting over to Julie. Feedback from last Advisory Meeting was moved to agenda item 4.

2. Geographic Areas

- Presentation of the geographic management areas and their importance in developing the plan and throughout the implementation of the 10 year plan

Julie gave a description on how Respec created the locations and scale for the areas and ran through each geographic location. She addressed the contributing areas to major lakes as well as identifying orphaned areas of the watershed that will be included.

3. Scenarios Project

- Background information on the purpose and approach
- Initial results and integrating into the plan

Julie invited Emily to talk about the funding behind the scenarios project. Emily stated that this funding was from the MPCA and was supposed to be used as part of the WRAPS process but never was. This funding will help identify BMP's on the landscape that will be useful for implementation of projects for the 1W1P process. Julie proceeded to discuss the modeling tools, parameters and detail that was used for the scenarios project.

4. Issue statement framework

- Overview of the refined issue statements and goals
- Discussion of measurable outcomes and targeted and prioritization

Courtney started this topic by discussing the feedback that was received from the last Advisory Committee meeting. Almost all of the comments were used or modified in some fashion except for the priority ranking. Courtney went over the surface quality and quantity reasoning and how it different from the advisory committees thinking.

Julie then discussed each priority issues issue statement, desired future condition and goals to the advisory committee. Each topic was covered lightly, but with detail, except for the groundwater framework. Being that the GRAPS report was just received last week, the Steering team hopes to have a groundwater subcommittee to review before taking to the policy committee. Jeff and Jennifer offered to be on the subcommittee.

5. Next steps

- Steering Committee will integrate feedback and present recommendations to the Policy Committee. Policy Committee will review and approve, with potential adjustments
- Strategies will be developed to address each goal
- Implementation table will be developed based on strategies.

The last item was next steps. Courtney addressed the timeline of the plan and also stated that documents that were presented on today will be sent out tomorrow with a survey on how you feel about the topics and also how to rate them on a fist to five scale. The Steering team would like to see comments back within the week.