



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

Date: January 16th, 2020

Time: 1:00 to 4:00pm

Location: Shell Rock River Watershed District

214 W. Main St.

Albert Lea, MN 56007

Facilitator: Julie Blackburn

Note Taker: Courtney Phillips

Attending: Rachel Wehner, Courtney Phillips, Philip Wacholz, Dalton Syverson, Steven Jahnke, Brenda Lageson, Andy Henschel, Shaina Keseley, Julie Blackburn and Dave Copeland.

Agenda:

1. Welcome, introductions, goals of meeting
 - Julie Blackburn, RESPEC consultant, welcomed the Steering Committee. After introductions Julie gave a quick update on where the MPCA was at with their modeling efforts. Midway during the meeting we will have an update from Respec staff on this.
2. Review notes from 11/26/19 meeting
 - Julie asked if there were any changes to the last set of minutes. There were no questions on the minutes so the steering team moved to the next agenda item.
3. Refinement of statements, DFCs, and Goals for PC consideration
 - Julie discussed the comments that were received from the advisory committee. Some comments were very small changes and the Respec team made the revisions. However, there were some larger issues that were brought before the steering team to see how they would like to proceed. Some of the larger questions were based on hydrology, groundwater, and breaking the lakes and streams into two different groups. Courtney provided an update on the GRAPS report, and the group finalized the documents enough to go before the policy committee.
4. Issue Prioritization
 - Julie discussed the outcomes graph from the advisory committee ranking. Among a few slight differences, the advisory committee and steering committee are along the same line of thinking. The steering team did rank surface water quantity higher than the

advisory committee. Other slight differences include that the advisory committee ranked groundwater higher than the steering team did.

5. Prioritization Scheme

- Due to timing of the conference call with Respec staff on the scenarios project, this agenda item was skipped.

6. Scenarios Project

- Julie conferenced in Paul to discuss where they are at in the MPCA modeling scenarios project. After giving an update of where they are at, the steering team decided on what scenarios they would like to see run. The group decided on a mixture of high/medium/low for implementing the Ag BMP's. The final decision was 15% increase of cover crops, 30% increase of cover crops, conservation tillage increase of 30% and reduced tillage at 30% with 50% increase of cover crops. Respec hopes to have these results by the next steering meeting on February 12th.

7. Wrap Up and Next Steps

- The Policy Meeting is February 5th and the next Steering meeting is February 12th, 2020