

NOTES - DRAFT

Nashua and Manchester Regional Stormwater Coalition Meeting

Nashua Regional Planning Commission Office

9 Executive Park Dr. #201, Merrimack, New Hampshire

Thursday, June 8, 10:00 - Noon

Present:

Bruce Berry, Chair	Amherst, NH	Andrew Burch	Nashua
Jeremy Bouvier, Chair	Manchester, NH	Amy Prouty Gill	Nashua, NH
Barbara McMillan	NHDES	Mike McLaughlin	Bedford, NH
Tom Bayrd	Hollis, NH	Dan Hudson	Salem, NH
John Cudworth	Hollis, NH	Archie Jackson	Bedford
Heidi Marshall	CLD Consulting	Sara Siskavich	Nashua RPC
Scott Butcher	Wilton, NH	Amy Kizak	Southern NHPC
James Houle	UNH SW Center	Sylvia Vanvon Aulock	Southern NHPC
Jennifer Czysz	Nashua RPC	Andrew Bulluck	Merrimack
Gordon Leedy	Amherst	James Davis	Salem, NH
Eric Hahn	Amherst	Steve McFadden	Merrimack
Linda Panny	Nashua, NH	Fred Elkind	Milford
Stephen Dookran	Nashua	Lincoln Daley	Milford
Dawn Tuomala	Merrimack, NH	Simon Corson	Amherst
Alanna Grondine	Nashua	Scott McPhie	Nashua, NH

1. Introductions and Announcements: Barbara McMillan announced there will be a “Stormwater Management in Your Community” workshop at the Newmarket Town Hall on June 28th, 2017 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. This will cover the Southeast Watershed Alliance model stormwater standards that EPA references in the new MS4 permit. See the new NH MS4 blog at: https://www4.des.state.nh.us/nh-ms4/?page_id=181 for more information and to register (no charge).

2. Work Session – Nashua/Manchester Regional Stormwater Coalition Collaborative Approach: James Houle, UNH Stormwater Center facilitated a work session building off of the Seacoast Stormwater Coalition work on a Notice of Intent (NOI) matrix. The goal is to start to identify what permit compliance means and how to move forward by identifying the following for each requirement for the Nashua/Manchester group.

- **Shared opportunities for collaboration:** sharing or consortiums.
- **Individual community efforts:** components communities can do on their own.
- **Potential collaboration:** but more work needed to identify what, who, how
- **Already underway:** resources available or items already being addressed

Jamie highlighted that there is strength in numbers by making assumptions and putting forward something that we all can achieve. For the most part, the N/M coalition was on the same page as the Seacoast Coalition but there were some additions. See updated NOI matrix with blue highlights from N/M coalition. In addition:

- Under Part II: Summary of Receiving Waters: There was much discussion about the definition of US waters and which year 303(d) list should be referenced with planning. EPA has indicated that planning will be done based on the 2012 list and can be updated to new lists as they become final. The group also discussed how to define outfalls and how the prioritization process will help narrow the definition down.
- Under IDDE: Some communities are ahead of others. The process is to start from receiving waters and if you get lots of hits then you to work upstream. There are ways to clear outfalls that are not discharging to the impairment.
- Under Post Construction: Curves give a lot of credit for reduction for phosphorus. Can use the Simple Method or UNH data. You can take credit for steering developers towards more infiltration.
- Under Municipal Good Housekeeping: This may appear to be the most costly although it is important to consider that towns are already doing some of these things like street sweeping and catch basin cleaning.

3. Other Business: Should we keep the two groups together?

4. Next Meeting Date and Agenda: Next meeting Wednesday, July 19th (earlier time!) 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Nashua Regional Planning Commission Office.

Pick two topics under first year requirements (maybe some outreach and mapping) and look at existing resources and next steps.

Invite NH DOT to talk about a new stormwater system mapping project they would like to collaborate with municipalities on.

Discuss whether the combined Nashua and Manchester group will continue and if there is interest in renaming.