

# MINUTES- FINAL

## Nashua and Manchester Regional Stormwater Coalition Meeting

Nashua Regional Planning Commission Office

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

Wednesday, June 20, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

**Present:**

<i>Gordon Leedy</i>	<i>Amherst</i>	<i>Fred Elkind</i>	<i>Milford</i>
<i>Simon Corson</i>	<i>Amherst</i>	<i>Madeleine Mineau</i>	<i>Nashua</i>
<i>Mark Connors</i>	<i>Bedford</i>	<i>Linda McGhee</i>	<i>Nashua</i>
<i>Michael McLaughlin</i>	<i>Bedford</i>	<i>Sara Siskavich</i>	<i>Nashua RPC</i>
<i>Jeanne Walker</i>	<i>Bedford</i>	<i>Andrew Smeltz</i>	<i>Nashua RPC</i>
<i>Heidi Marshall</i>	<i>Hoyle, Tanner</i>	<i>Stephen Meno</i>	<i>Nashua RPC</i>
<i>Joan Cudworth</i>	<i>Hollis</i>	<i>Barbara McMillan</i>	<i>NHDES</i>
<i>Chrissy Herrera</i>	<i>Hollis</i>	<i>Katie Zink</i>	<i>NHDES</i>
<i>Troy Brown</i>	<i>Litchfield</i>	<i>Deb Loiselle</i>	<i>NHDES</i>
<i>Jeremy Bouvier</i>	<i>Manchester</i>	<i>Jeff Gowan</i>	<i>Pelham</i>
<i>Andrew Bulluch</i>	<i>Merrimack</i>	<i>Jennifer Meritt</i>	<i>Southern NHPC</i>
<i>Dawn Tuomala</i>	<i>Merrimack</i>	<i>Maddie Dilonno</i>	<i>Southern NHPC</i>
<i>Andrew Wojcak</i>	<i>Merrimack</i>	<i>Jamie Houle</i>	<i>UNHSC</i>
<i>Jillian Joubert</i>	<i>Merrimack</i>	<i>David Sullivan</i>	<i>Windham</i>
<i>Nicholas Woodman</i>	<i>Merrimack</i>	<i>Jim Lavacchia</i>	<i>Wilton</i>

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**1. Introductions:** Those in attendance are listed above.

**2. Announcements:**

- Meeting minutes from May 24, 2018 were deferred until the next meeting.
- There was an announcement that Barbara McMillan will be retiring, returning part time in the fall.
- VRAP training will be available on July 9<sup>th</sup>, let Barbara know if you are interested.

**3. Endangered Species NOI Item:** Gretchen Young of Dover presented a walkthrough of the process to determine eligibility for the Endangered Species Act (ESA) Determination on the first page of the NOI.

- Packet was handed out.
- Log in to IPAC. <https://ecos.fws.gov/ipac/>.
- Find your location and use the polygon tool to select your MS4 area.
- Define the project area and choose the option to create a list.
- For compliance you will need to write a letter to Fish and Wildlife Service to let them know that you won't impact the endangered species identified in your search. There shouldn't be an impact until the year 6- BMP installation.

- This is an uncomplicated process; EPA recommends that you do this now because of the need to write to Fish and Wildlife.
- You can call Gretchen if you are in need of assistance with this.

#### 4. Impaired Waters and TMDL Discussion:

- The seacoast coalition is waiting for the Regional Planning Commission to create maps.
- The latest on the 2016, 303d list is that EPA wanted it to be approved before the permit, but it looks like it may be after. NOI should be based on the 2014 list, but SWPPP can be based on the 2016 list when it becomes final. You may end up doing something differently than in the NOI.  
**(Note: 2016, 303d list has been approved as of June 22, 2018)**
- They should have the seacoast maps for the next meeting.
- Maps should include tabular information for 2012, 2014, and 2016.
- The challenge will be figuring out where the outfalls are- that is not a GIS issue it is a data issue.
- Uneven access to GIS is a reason to prioritize. Talk to Sara if you will likely rely on NRPC for mapping so that it doesn't all come at once.

#### 5. Education and Outreach Subcommittee update:

- Julia Peterson from UNH Cooperative Extension was very helpful.
- There was a large group in attendance.
- They worked through the MS4 minimum control measure #1, Education and Outreach, part 1 to figure out if these are feasible, workable, etc..
- There was a discussion on how to use the material and the background on the type of material.
- Where to use it in the permit needs to be clarified.
- The fertilizer message for N or P impairment will be changed based on feedback.
- Jamie mentioned that as far as the NOI goes, you just need to reference this document.
- You can use this document as a menu; you are not confined to it.
- It will be updated and distributed based on the committee meeting.
- Milford has used a children's book and creates curriculum around it.
- Nashua has "No Poop Fairy" signage.
- NHDES will have "Get Pumped" fliers available for free.
- Q- Can we get feedback on which of these will be done centrally?
- Jamie gave "homework" – What are you doing currently? What messages should be focused on first? Who is going to do it? How do you measure the impact?
- The subcommittee will meet again in September.

#### 6. Update on NOI:

- One issue was difficulty formatting the PDF. It has been transferred to Word and distributed.

- Page two needs work; it is a list of impaired waters, primary cause of impairment and list of outfalls.
- You will need to fill out page one, Jamie is doing page two.
- Maps need to be refined.
- There was a call for a mapping subcommittee.
- In part three you can replace what is in the box with “NA” if necessary, i.e. no sanitary sewer.
- In the Word document there is no drop box so you will need to delete what doesn’t apply.
- Add your signature.
- You can change this and add justification, you aren’t stuck with it.

**7. Other Business:**

- Suzanne from EPA has offered to present at the next meeting.
  - The group declined the offer. This might be better suited for a later date.

**8. Next Meeting Date and Agenda:** Thursday, July 19th– **1:00 to 3:00 p.m.** Agenda include source water and mapping.