

MEETING MINUTES

Seacoast Stormwater Coalition Meeting

Dover Catch Basin Spoils Facility located at 484 Middle Road in Dover, NH

Wednesday, October 19, 2022, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Present:

<i>Gretchen Young</i>	<i>Dover- Chair</i>	<i>Daniel Okuniewicz</i>	<i>Portsmouth</i>
<i>Ray Vermette</i>	<i>Dover</i>	<i>Paul Toussaint</i>	<i>Rollinsford</i>
<i>Nils Larson</i>	<i>Exeter</i>	<i>Nate Mears</i>	<i>Stratham</i>
<i>Sarah Large</i>	<i>FB Environmental</i>	<i>Matt Perry</i>	<i>TEC/Seabrook</i>
<i>Joe Lynch</i>	<i>Hampton</i>	<i>Megan Cramton</i>	<i>TEC/Seabrook</i>
<i>Eric Sunderlin</i>	<i>Hampton</i>	<i>David Bowley</i>	<i>UNH</i>
<i>Lindsay Butler</i>	<i>Newmarket</i>	<i>John Nader</i>	<i>UNH</i>
<i>Sean Greig</i>	<i>Newmarket</i>	<i>Joe Dintino</i>	<i>UNH</i>
<i>Andrea Bejtlich</i>	<i>NHDES</i>	<i>Will Powers</i>	<i>UNH</i>
<i>Erin Holmes</i>	<i>NHDES</i>	<i>Daniel Macadam</i>	<i>UNH</i>
<i>Deb Loiselle</i>	<i>NHDES</i>	<i>Bill Arcieri</i>	<i>VHB</i>
<i>Sally Soule</i>	<i>NHDES</i>	<i>Christene Binger</i>	<i>Verdantas</i>
<i>Tom Swenson</i>	<i>NHDES</i>	<i>Sam Ashburn</i>	<i>Verdantas</i>
<i>Jamie McCarty</i>	<i>Portsmouth</i>	<i>Andrew Sullivan</i>	<i>Verdantas</i>

1. Introductions

- Roll call will be done alphabetically by municipality or affiliation

2. Introducing Erin Holmes

- Erin Holmes introduced herself as the new Watershed Management Bureau Administrator. Ted Diers is now the Assistant Water Division Director.

3. Recent EPA Correspondence

- Deb presented.
- All but one New Hampshire community has turned in their MS4 Year 4 Annual Reports.
- Over the last few years, NHDES and the chairs of the New Hampshire Stormwater Coalitions have been meeting with EPA to discuss the annual reports. A lot of great conversations have come out of this and we received helpful feedback for the upcoming annual reports.
- Five New Hampshire MS4 communities have been reached out to by John Calautti from EPA Region 1. He is a Paralegal Specialist working in the EPA Enforcement and Compliance Section. These emails are related to not meeting the Year 3 dry weather inspections requirements.
- It seems like one of two things occurred. Lab results were not attached or all dry weather outfalls were not inspected.
- Three of the permittees are new permittees. This requirement is not due until Year 6 for them. If you noted you did any screening during Year 4, you are required to submit the data.
- Pembroke and Wilton were two of the communities that were contacted.
- One of the five towns had EPA respond with an Administrative Order to finish their dry weather sampling by 7/1/2023.
- If you have received a letter, please respond to EPA within 14 days.
- Please feel free to reach out to Deb if you need assistance.
- Q- Did you get copied in the email from EPA?
 - Deb- No but those five communities reached out to let me know. But I was copied on the Administrative Order.
- Q- Was this action by EPA directly from the Year 3 Annual Reports?

- Deb- Yes it was.
 - EPA hopes to review the Year 4 Annual Reports by late December or early January. The next step is that the EPA Enforcement and Compliance Section reviews the Year 4 Annual Reports as well.
 - Newt Tedder from EPA said there will be a strong focus on MCM #5 when reviewing the Year 4 Annual Reports.
4. Tom Swenson asked if all attendees were OK with their picture being taken for the MS4 website?
- Everyone agreed.
5. **Updates and Reminders**
- Deb presented
 - 2022 Annual Asset Management Conference for Water Infrastructure
 - Please register by Friday October 21st.
 - Clean Watershed Needs Survey (CWNS)
 - DES is working with CEI and it is very important to get this information so please fill out the survey. CEI will be reaching out to all communities asking for information.
 - This is a survey that will be referred for years to come.
 - As of right now, only 10 communities have responded.
6. **Presentation about the Catch Basin Spoils Facility**
- Gretchen Young presented.
 - Gretchen highlighted how Dover came to build the new Catch Basin Spoils Facility.
 - In total the facility cost 3.5 million to build.
 - Some of this money was received from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund.
 - There are plans to continue to improve the facility so that more nutrients are taken out of the catch basin spoils.
7. **Tour of the Catch Basin Spoils Facility**
- Dover staff gave a tour of the Catch Basin Spoils Facility.
8. **Updates and Upcoming Events**
- [UNH T2 Trainings Calendar](#)
November 16th & November 17th (ALMOST FULL!)
8:00 AM-3:00 PM
Snowfighters Seminar
[Registration](#)
\$60.00 for municipal staff
 - **2022 Annual Asset Management Conference for Water Infrastructure**
 - November 3, 2022
All day event (in-person)
Pembroke Army National Guard Readiness Center
Pembroke, NH
[Registration](#)
 - **NHDES Infrastructure Funding Webpage**
NHDES weblink: <https://www4.des.state.nh.us/infrastructure-funding/>
Information on any available funding will be posted on this website
Sign up for email alerts from NHDES pertaining to CWSRF/ARPA/Infrastructure funding opportunities at: https://www4.des.state.nh.us/infrastructure-funding/?page_id=26

Upcoming events and funding deadlines (currently known):

https://www4.des.state.nh.us/infrastructure-funding/?page_id=73

- 9. Upcoming meeting dates for 2022 – Mark your calendars!** Meetings will occur on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. We will continue working on the elements necessary for Year 5 requirements of the permit and update the SWMP template as needed. Following are the topics that are planned for the monthly meetings. Please note that topics may change dependent on priorities identified during the year.

2022 Meeting Dates

November 16th:

December 21st:

Please email potential agenda items and/or presentations to Deb Loiselle at

deborah.s.loiselle@des.nh.gov. These will be considered for upcoming meetings and very helpful in the development of the monthly agendas.

- 10. Sign-in Sheet** – Your names will be documented during roll call.