

WWTWG Meeting Minutes 4.3.12

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BMP Verification Program- Batiuk

See Presentation

- Spano- IS there specific timing for documentation or recommendations?
- There is a schedule laid out for the Management Board, but flexibility is built in for workgroups as needed. Should have a firm approach developed by late summer, working draft by late May, presenting challenges and examples
- Discussion on slide 5:
- VA- new or expanding facilities need to meet cap. Do have individual allocations even if part of aggregate. Previously could not generate credits, could only buy but that has changed. Non sigs pretty much being treated like the big guys and treated as such.
- WV- no intent to report individual. If they expand or build they will be treated as if significant.
- MD- non sigs required to monitor nutrients. Required to upgrade if expanding . Industrial is a bit different than the municipals
- Suggestion to provide responses to CBP and compile.
- Discussion on slide 6:
- VA- have done a lot of modeling w CSOs. Think we have a good handle on loads as they upgrade. Upgrades mostly to address bacteria so not much of a reduction to nutrients. Plan to model over to time to show effect of long term control plans
- WV- 3 very small communities implementing national program. If they report 6 or less overflows in a yr, we report 85% reduction. We are maintaining if not getting better. If greater than 6 overflows, no credit is given, enforcement actions taken at that time
- Spano- monitor requirements, document to go along w tunnels building to prove 95% to 98% reduction are achieved. Monitoring plan in place in DC as far as I know.
- Batiuk- more documentation or references to documents on programs in first 2 requests (slide 5 and 6). We are not asking for new programs but looking ot show across sectors how each sector is approached and verified. We recognize that wastewater has been doing this for years and that can inform others.
- Discussion on slide 7
- MD- using Bay Restoration Fund to upgrade septic w best available technology. Reduction of 50% tracked through Bay Stat. Also tracking upgrades not using state funds. Establishing process across county and state levels for tracking
- Batiuk- please share written protocol with workgroup
- Achenbach (VA)- similar as far as tracking and reporting. Still developing guidance, not in a position to share more at this point. Actively working it through and can share when finalized

- Montali (WV)- we are very different. Future will have us looking at septic and growth. It is included in WIP but loading is not reducible. Looking to see if load is growing and how it is represented in model. Taking the position that the load is relatively small and growth is not really occurring but plan to figure it out in the next year
- Spano- helpful to ask more detailed question in this sector. Some other discussions that wg will need to address, there is a lot here. If anyone else can share efforts ad gaps, please do. Not much we can do now but moving forward w what we can do
- Montali- could verification be included in BMP review panels as done within Urban Stormwater WG? Can be considered
- Batiuk- anything from the national level?
- Hudson- developing guidance, technical info and manual to provide examples of successful approaches. Planning to share draft soon. Hoping to get it out to states to look at O and M etc. One other piece is agreement across Bay states of reciprocity, share data and information. Limit duplication of review and approval by jurisdictions, develop process to share data and also protocol to evaluate technologies. Just beginning work on the later piece but may be really helpful.

Update on Data Reporting System- Hurd

Provide email

- Marty is out sick, please see email for update provided
- When does h estimate data pull will be secured and available for review?

Update on Septic Expert Panel- Sievers

See presentation

- Hope to provide specifics of what each panel is looking into next month
- Will be holding full panel meeting in May and plan to start hammering out things in June w final report provided in Sept/Oct
- Can plan to provide update in June or July timeframe

Decision Framework Presentation- Hershner

See Presentation

- Spano- gained sense of comfort that everything we are doing is warranted. DF shows that and allows us to identify gaps and use it to ask for funding and resources
- Good construct to start building out a workplan
- Brockenbrough- makes sense, good task to undertake
- Lelevel- WG is ahead of others in getting info supported by monitored data, good to see others go through similar process

Other Updates

- STAC Workshop- WWTP. Finalizing agenda, contacting presenters. Will share more information w group if interested. May 16th is confirmed date

- STAC Workshop- Septic. Will not be receiving funding this fiscal yr, beat out by other proposals. Will work to tighten up proposal and bring back to June STAC meeting to see if we can obtain FY 2013 funding
- Please review 2011 progress runs and provide feedback by COB Friday
- To keep WG aware, Based on MB and GIT discussions we will move forward w supplemental indicator, continuing with currently reporting and no added burden
- Looking at limit effective date in permit. Info from PCS/ICIS or draft permit. MD and PA has info, NY and DE does not have it yet. WV gathered from PSC. Incomplete but looking to WIP. VA general permits wffecting 2001, should be able to use that. If jurisdiction has another suggestion we can move that forward
- Spano- is that the request proposed by MD in Dec?
- A- Yes trying to portray facilities that have gone through upgrade
- VA- Only concern was ensuring we have a level playing field. Want permit effective date included in ours
- MD- Using permit effective date should show all cases but there may be some unforeseen circumstances that could effect things
- Trulear- using permit effective date should get at what we are looking for. Not perfect, but it is the best data we have.
- Will share draft indicator with workgroup

Meeting adjourned

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