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Dry Creek Watershed Planning Team Meeting 15 August 2008 @ 5PM-7PM

Kibbey Room, Combs Bldg, MSU Campus

Attendance: April Haight, Sarah Lynn Cunningham, Lajuanda Haight-Maybriar, Margi Jones, Brooke Shireman, Christina McMichael, Steve Reid, Bob Wells, Sam Williams, Geoff Gerner and Joe Lewis

1. Collect Feedback on draft Guidebook Chapter 2 from team (20’)
 - Some content was not aligned with the outline; for example, the information related to flooding and hydrology was in various locations and so reorganized into the edition distributed today.
 - The watershed boundary section is redundant and will go to Ch. 1.
 - The representative of the local health dept objected to the reference to failed on-site systems that were received from citizens at a meeting that she hadn’t attended (because her agency hadn’t been so notified).
 - Using data available on local flora and fauna KY Nature Preserves for the county with some expansion from Christi is acceptable.
 - Several typographical errors were noted.
 - The group had concerns about the Nutrients § to the effect that it needs conceptual and scientific clarification if it is to remain.
2. Present information that will be presented in Chapter 3 of Watershed Plan. Analyze existing/needed data (30’). See related PowerPoint presentation. Participants were reminded that when collecting data, they should practice good technique, e.g., noting any odors, surface scum and fish/macro-invertebrate species. The KY Water Watch Biological Monitoring Assessment Report and Habitat Assessment Field Data Sheet for High Gradient Steams. Only the spreadsheets of raw field data belong in the appendix and may instead be referenced to the QAPP. Accurately mapping non-point sources of pollutants shown via sampling was discussed at length. Do the local Health Dept, DOW, USGS and/or KGS have any well water or groundwater quality data? We’ll review and accept the next edition via e-mail before the next meeting.
3. The discussions of possible BMPs to select for Watershed Plan and possible funding and the summary of the Ohio River Summit, River

Smart (educational packet) and Lake Constance were postponed to the meeting; the rest of the agenda for the coming meeting was approved.

4. The work plan was edited to account for various delays.

Notes:

1. KyTC is reconstructing KY 519 along an adjacent tributary that does join Dry Creek, via Walker Construction, Inc, (of Mt. Sterling) with little EPSC BMPs and less maintenance. What do the approved plans and specs require the contractor to install and maintain? Is the problem design and/or construction? What was the result of DOW's two visits to the site? A neighboring resident took several photos yesterday and will lodge the complaint with Danny Fraley of DOW.
2. The web site has too many editions of documents. We need to dutifully show a unique document edition name in the footer of each edition and post only the most current edition on the web site, with or without the past editions archived elsewhere on the web site. That way, everyone can easily determine if a particular hard copy is the most current edition.
3. DOW was reorganized from nine to six branches.
4. Rowan County will hold a Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Disposal Day on Saturday, 20 September 08; volunteers are needed.

Drafts of the watershed-based plan and other information on the Dry Creek Watershed Planning Project are located at:

<http://www.kwalliance.org/WatershedGroupResources/WatershedbasedPlanningProjects/TriplettCreekDryCreekWatershed/tabid/279/Default.aspx>

The next watershed planning team meeting: 09 Oct 08 from 5PM-7PM.

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