



**Minutes of
December 12, 2007 Meeting
Littleton/Englewood WWTP**

In Attendance:

Dennis Stowe	L/E WWTP
Colleen Young	City of Greeley
John McWilliams	Genesee W&SD
Mary Gardner	L/E WWTP
Blair Corning	SACWSD
Nancy Keller	Pueblo
David Meyer	Westminster
Max Grimes	Boxelder
Andrew Ross	WQCD
Rick Koplitz	WQCD
Tim Woodard	Westminster
Jill Piatt Kemper	Aurora
Barbara Biggs	MWRD
Tim Grotheer	PCWA
Paul Grundemann	CWSD
Martha Hahn	PCWA
Bret Linenfelser	Boulder
Paul Ferraro	Ferraro Associates, Inc.

I. Water Quality Control Division Updates, Andrew Ross, CWQCD

Andrew distributed a copy of the following Policies and Procedures (available on WQCD's website):

- Water Quality Permits - "Implementing Narrative Standards in Discharge for the Protection of Irrigated Crops" which is out for public review, December 3, 2007 - January 3, 2008. Public comments will be provided to the WQCC (by January 3, 2008) for discussion at the WQCC's Information Hearing on January 14, 2008.
- Water Quality Permits - "Procedures for Conducting Assessments for Implementation of Temperature Standards in Discharge Permits." This guidance is designed as a framework to provide a documented methodology and to ensure that the temperature standards are interpreted in a consistent manner in water quality assessments prepared to support issuance of discharge permits.

Andrew also mentioned that the EPA Pretreatment Coordinator position is now vacant and there is concern as to whom will fill it. Senator Abel Tapia from Pueblo will introduce a bill on January 8, 2008 to delegate the pretreatment program to the State.

- The bill is supported by Steve Gunderson and the Division.
- Fees are for industries primarily with a smaller amount to approved POTW programs.
- Paul G. is to send a letter to Senator Tapia and the Division in support of the delegation.
- If this Bill goes well, the Senator will introduce a bill in 2009 for the delegation of Biosolids.

Andrew also covered the following topics:

The Division will have a Biosolids meeting on January 10, 2008 at the Division - details to follow to discuss the reduction of the biosolids fees.

A training session (4-5 hours) regarding the AMMTOX ammonia model will be held at the Division on January 30, 2008.

The CWQCC passed a standard for nonylphenol with an effective date of 2010. EPA wants at least monitoring now. Barbara Biggs distributed a document that proposes a delay in the effective date for nonylphenol standards submitted by Metro, Boulder, Colorado Springs and the Council. The parties offered, as an alternative to the WQCC's immediate adoption of the new nonylphenol standards, a delayed effective date of July 1, 2010.

The Division will be changing databases to electronic ones in April, so that DMRs can be submitted electronically over the Internet. Also Permit Applications will be available electronically in December 2008. Comments are welcomed.

II. 2008 Program Plan Discussion, Paul Grundemann

Paul F. distributed copies of the draft 2008 Program Plan and the draft 2007 Annual Report for discussion. The Council discussed Key Environmental Issues and the monthly topics and speakers. Comments are due by December 24, 2007. Bret and Patrick submitted comments prior to the meeting and their comments will be included in the revised document.

III. Updates

- Mentoring - Dennis Stowe met with the water side regarding the Mentoring Program. It appears that the RMAWWA is willing to fund the water portion of the Program along with WQCD Drinking Water Program. Paul F. mentioned that the Certification Committee rejected the proposal of providing TUs for the Program. He will be submitting a one-on-one proposal for approval.

- Water Utility Council - They are moving ahead on getting on board with the Mentoring Program.
- Biosolids Subcommittee - Paul G. is going to contact the RMWEA Biosolids Subcommittee to hold a joint meeting.

IV. Open Discussion

- Tim mentioned that he is resigning his positions at Plum Creek WTP and the Council since he is taking a position with Carollo Engineers to provide construction management for the construction of the new Aurora Water Treatment Plant.. The Council appreciates all of the work Tim has done over the past several years.

Nancy moved, seconded by Bret, that Mary Gardner replace Tim as a Director. The motion passed unanimously.

- Dennis mentioned that the proposed Federal Clean Water Bill is changing the definition of Secondary Treatment and Water of the United States.
- The Colorado Water Congress is co-sponsoring a Water Quality Seminar on January 30, 2008, along with the Forum, CWUC, CWWUC and the Colorado Stormwater Council. Comments are welcomed.
- Nancy distributed an email from Tad Foster regarding the December 6, 2007 Criteria Meeting regarding BLM's Copper Implementation and Selenium Aquatic Life Criteria.
- The 2008 seminar to be held in Montrose in the third week in May - "Permitting and Current Issues."
- The Council will request member accomplishments/successes in wastewater treatment and include them in the Newsletter and post them on the website.
- L/E WWTP was recently awarded the National Operations Challenge Award.

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 PM.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 9, 2008 at L/E WWTP