



**Minutes of
August 10, 2011 Meeting
at Littleton/Englewood WWTP**

In Attendance:

Dennis Stowe	L/E WWTP
Michael Wicklund	Monument Sanitation Dist.
Jim Dorsch	MWRD
Amy Woodis via phone	MWRD
Jim Kendrick	Upper Monument WQ Mgmt Assoc.
Dave Akers	WQCD
Jennifer Miller	CDPHE
Tim Grotheer	Centennial Water & San. Dst.
Martha Hahn	PCWA
Dave Meyer	Westminster
Tim Woodard	Westminster
Mary Gardner	L/E WWTP
Ginny Johnson via phone	Colorado Springs Utilities
Richard Leger	City of Aurora
Nancy Keller	Pueblo
Bob Anastasov	City of Aurora
Jeannie Bowser via phone	CWWUC
Colleen Young via phone	Greeley
Bruce Joslin via phone	Northglenn
Cal Youngberg via phone	Longmont
Dan DeLaughter	Black Hawk

I. Design Criteria and How it Meshes with Other Division Activities, Jennifer Miller (WQCD)

Jennifer Miller explained how the Design Criteria Team works and fits in with other units at the Water Quality Division. A copy of her presentation is available here. She also mentioned that she will be giving a presentation on Reg. 22 at the RMWEA Conference in September. After her presentation she fielded questions, discussing the types of mistakes that her team catches, the value added benefit of the Site Application process, how the process differs from other states and how she is taking steps to better organize the workflow to try to cut down on the backlog currently in place. Members cited that monetary costs or loss of funding have been incurred due to the current backlog. Jennifer stated that currently the right people are in place to make the process work more efficiently. Discussion was also conducted regarding In-kind replacement and how the regulation is very limiting. Jennifer acknowledged that In-kind replacement is a problem and steps are

being taken to try to change how In-kind replacements are handled. A couple of members stated they were thankful for the review process which helps to protect the citizens of Colorado.

II. Reuse Update, Bob Anastasov

- Regulation 84 continues to undergo language change.
- The group is focusing on a streamlined approach for Division approval focusing on additional uses.
- There will be an addition to the Divisions spill reporting policy which will include minor upsets within a reuse system. Ex. Sprinkler maintenance.

III. Nomination of Officers

Position	Name	Utility
Chair	Dennis Stowe	Littleton/Englewood WWTP
Vice Chair	Tim Grotheer	Centennial Water & Sanitation District
Treasurer	Martha Hahn	Plum Creek Wastewater Authority
Secretary	Bob Anastasov	City of Aurora
Director	Nancy Keller	City of Pueblo
Director	Ginny Johnson	Colorado Springs Utilities

IV. Preparation for the Annual Meeting

A Financial Report and report highlighting Council activities for the past year and setting out upcoming issues that the Council will be following. The Annual Meeting will be held in Loveland.

Members discussed the need for reviving the newsletter. Jim Kendrick agreed to work on the same providing he gets assistance from members regarding issues of interest, input, etc. Members discussed the need to get pertinent information out to small entities that may not be members of the Council and also the difficulty of getting people to take the time to read another email or to click on a link to information on the Internet.

V. Updates

- Water Utility Council – Nutrient discussions continue. Wastewater and Water utilities agree that nutrients will take a collaborative effort.
- Stormwater – Putting together comments on Reg. 85.
- Nutrient Coalition – Comments were due on 31-85. Work is progressing. Tad Foster put out a schedule of what is due when in preparation for the hearing.

IV. Open Discussion

- Dennis reported that Littleton/Englewood met with the Division Enforcement regarding spills. L/E was cited for 25 spills and 85 alleged violations. A financial settlement was agreed to of \$97,342.00 and pending approving of the two city councils, they will enter into a Consent Agreement. The Division appears to no longer being issuing a Notice of Violation, which requires formal steps the Division must take, including a Cease and Desist Order, but rather is issuing a Compliance Advisory, which has no formal steps to be taken. On the EPA ECHO site, the agreements in the Consent Agreement will be converted to violations on the ECHO site. The question was asked how the Division could consider it a violation if wastewater plants are permitted to use effluent for irrigation under Reg. 84? Dennis stated that they were not cited for a spill, but rather for discharging in an unpermitted way. The language the State seemed to key in on was that the discharge may have entered the waters of the State, something that can neither be proved nor disproved. L/E will be doing environment projects to offset the \$97,342.00.
- Cal asked if anyone knew how to get information corrected or removed from the ECHO site for wastewater. They have a 1995 violation that was reported to the EPA in 2007. The violation is over 5 years old and should be removed. Mary suggested that he contact Jackie Weiland, who is a data person, and see if she can get it removed. Cal had contacted Lori Gerzina at the State and she indicated there was no way to correct the information.

Meeting adjourned at 3:17 pm.

***Next meeting: 7 AM, September 20, 2011
Location: RMWEA/AWWA Conference, Loveland, CO***