



**Minutes of
February 9, 2011 Meeting
at Littleton/Englewood WWTP**

In Attendance:

Dennis Stowe	L/E WWTP
Randy Siddens	Boxelder Sanitation District
Dave Meyer	Westminster
Bob Anastasov	City of Aurora
Andre Rowlett	Boxelder Sanitation District
Nancy Keller	Pueblo via telephone
Cal Youngberg	Longmont
Tim Woodard	Westminster
Tim Grotheer	Centennial Water & San. Dst.
Ron Falco	CDPHE
Jill Piatt-Kemper	City of Aurora
Richard Leger	City of Aurora
Colleen Young	City of Greeley
Martha Hahn	PCWA
Jim Dorsch	MWRD
Brenda Stansbury	BHCCSD
Mike Bittner	Silverthorne/Dillon
Paul Ferraro	CWWUC

I. Colorado Water & Wastewater Agency Response Network - COWARN, Ron Falco

Ron Falco gave the following summary:

Steering Committee - need new members.

1. CO-WARN is Colorado's Water and Wastewater Agency Response Network. This mutual aid network including the state, utility and emergency responders is very valuable to all of us during emergencies.
2. CO-WARN needs more utility participation in planning efforts to enhance functionality.
3. There has not been an elected chairperson for CO-WARN since Sep. 2010 when Mary Smith left CDPHE.
4. Her position was just backfilled, but we need a better definition of expected state supporting role for CO-WARN going forward.
5. CDPHE hired short-term contract support to help us with planning activities through June 2011.

6. Our critical needs for the next few months are:
 - a. Assistance/input to finalize a draft operational plan. we're particularly interested in utility representatives interested or experienced in emergency planning and management. this would involve participating in monthly meetings or conference calls and some discussions with the contractors.
 - b. Candidates to consider being Chairperson on interim or longer-term basis.
7. We are also communicating this message to RMSAWWA, RMWEA and the Drinking Water Utility Council.
8. If interested, please contact Sharon Williams at 303.692.36235.

Projects:

- Holly Tornado - the network was activated.
- Alamosa Outbreak - CO-WARN was activated. Metro Wastewater helped.
- Website - Mutual Aid Agreement.
- Steering Committee - Dennis to contact Sharon Williams. The Council to become a member. Ron is seeking CWWUC Council members to work on the Committee. CWWUC to have a representative. Dennis Stowe to attend the February 17, 2011 meeting and report back to the Council.

II. Cost/Benefit Study of Nutrient Proposed Regulations

- The State's RFP is too general.
- Martha Hahn is a committee member and is helping to improve the RFP.
- Water & Power is funding the study at \$400,000.
- The State wants to limit the scope of the Cost/Benefits Study to the Nutrient Regulation.
- CH2M Hill did a similar study for the State of Utah.
- The RFP will be out soon.
- The study to be completed by August.
- The CWQCC will take into account the results of the study when they decide on what the Regulations should be.
- Dennis noted that the State of Colorado's cost of nutrient removal, would be \$4-5 Billion. This is based on the Florida estimate. Dennis to track the Water & Power Authority Board activities.
- Tim commented that Centennial's estimate is about \$100 million in construction costs for meeting the nutrient criteria.

III. Farm Bill

- 16 Council votes (15 yes / 1 no) were received. Not a quorum.
- 50% of the membership needs to vote via email.
- 54 members - need 28 votes

- Motion failed.
- Check Bylaws for Annual Meeting votes.

IV. Updates

- Colorado Water Utility Council - No report except that Chromium 6 (CR6) and Waste Impoundments are issues. Bob A. is the Council's representative to the CWUC.
- Stormwater - Jill -
 - Issue - Nutrients
 - State has not fined municipalities to date.
- The Division has posted the general Permits for Pesticide.

V. Open Discussion

- Dennis: In-kind replacement of equipment - site application needed. Regulations requires the Division to be notified and approval obtained. Goes beyond what is reasonable.
Tim Grotheer moved that Dennis Stowe prepare a letter to Jennifer Miller regarding the in-kind replacement issue. Motion was seconded by Cal Youngberg and passed unanimously.
- A meeting with the State/Council Group was held on January 20, 2011 with the following State Managers: Dave Akers, Jennifer Miller, Janet Kieler and Lori Gerzina. Council members attending included: Bob Anastasov, Ginny Johnson, Cal Youngberg, Tim Grotheer and Paul Ferraro. The meeting dealt on how to improve the working relationships between the Council and the Division's staff. Waiting for meeting minutes from Dave Akers.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.

***Next meeting: March 9, 2011
Location: Littleton/Englewood WWTP***