



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

In Attendance:

Blair Corning	SACWSD
Michael Wicklund	Monument Sanitation Dist.
Jim Dorsch	MWRD
Dan DeLaughter	LRE Water
Jim Kendrick	Upper Monument WQ Mgmt Assoc.
Dave Akers	WQCD
Armando Quintana	Platte Canyon Water & Sanitation
Tim Grotheer	Centennial Water & San. Dst.
Martha Hahn	PCWA
Mary Fabisiak	Westminster
Mary Gardner	L/E WWTP
Ginny Johnson	Colorado Springs Utilities
Nancy Keller	Pueblo
Bob Anastasov	City of Aurora
Colleen Young	Greeley
Mike Bittner	Silverthorne/Dillon JSA
Boyd Hanzon	Rocky Mountain Water Solutions
Dr. Chris Urbina	CDPHE
Paul Ferraro	CWWUC
Julie Constan via telephone	Mesa County
Christine Gray via telephone	Westminster

**I. Regulation 100 Operator Certification, Tim Grotheer**

Tim gave the following summary:

- Developed 10-12 years ago.
- Covers water, wastewater, collection certification.
- Proposed change that operators need to go through all levels starting at Class D, C through B to A, i.e., take all tests and need to have the experience required for each class. Revisions to Regulation 100 – water and wastewater facility operators certification requirements. Public Hearing on November 29, 2011 in the Sabin Conference Room, CDPHE Building.
- See Table in Section 100.9 for prior certification and experience requirements for certification.

## **II. Colorado Department of Health and Environment, Executive Director, Dr. Chris Urbina**

Dr. Urbina made the following comments, and then answered a number of questions.

- Direction of CDPHE. Governor is pro business, pro environmental. Nutrients is a big problem. Need achievable standards and protection of our waters. Look at the Department Website for changes. Reduction. Look at our processes. Need stakeholders. Listeria outbreak took 2 weeks for the problem to be identified.
- There are 7 public health problems that need attention.
- Questions:
  - Nutrients – Tier one cost is \$3million for Monument to meet standards.
  - Need good sampling for a year.
  - Fountain Creek cost \$125 million to meet the nutrient standards with very little benefit.
  - March Commission meeting to rule on Nutrient Standards.
  - Facility do not have the money to meet the standards.
  - Reg – variances, common ground
  - Regulation 85 & 31.

Dr. Urbina summarized the members' comments:

- Disconnect between Standards and Permits Units within WQCD.
- Limits are too strict.
- "I heard what you are saying? However, there is a diversity of opinions."

Recommendation from Mike from Monument – postpone the March Hearing regarding Regs 31 & 85. The proposed 2022 Standards are too hard to meet.

Dr. Urbina will come again next year. The discussion was very good.

## **III. Low Flow Toilet Bill, Chris Piper, Denver Water (Chris did not attend)**

## **IV. Program Plan, Paul Ferraro**

1. Paul distributed the 2011 Program Plan Summary and asked which issues should be moved to the Appendix and what issues should be added, as follows:
  - Remove to Appendix
    - Aquatic Life Classification
    - WET
    - Pesticide
  - Add to 2012 Program Plan
    - TENORM
    - Under Outreach/Coordination include Joint CWUC/CWWUC Meeting. Redefine more informal mentoring to Small Communities.

2. Paul distributed a draft of the 2012 Schedule – Monthly Council Meetings. Members recommended the following changes:
  - Add Jennifer Miller to talk about Design Criteria in January or February
  - Move Joint CWUC/CWWUC From February to August
  - Drop TMDL for Barr Lake
  - Drop WET policies for November and add Dr. Urbina
  - Add a speaker from the Rocky Mountain Organic Council – Waste Streams.
  - Add a speaker on the impact of conservation measures on WWTPs.
3. Paul distributed a draft agenda for a seminar to replace the Permitting Seminar at the CRWA Annual Conference on February 16, 2012. Members to help with the agenda are Tim, Mary, Mike, Ginny, Bob and Dennis.
4. Paul distributed a draft agenda for a seminar to be held in May 2012 in Glenwood Springs. Title: Meeting the Financial Requirements of Nutrient Criteria – Can You Afford It? This will be a joint effort with CRWA, with help from Mike and Dennis.

**V. Updates:**

- Water Utility Council – Mary said that oil and gas is an issue.
- Stormwater – Bob said that although the monitoring for stormwater would be an issue, the Stormwater Council was successful in removing the requirements from Regulation 85.

**VI. Open Discussion**

- Martha presented the Estimated Engineering Fee for TIN and TP Capital and O&M Cost Segregation for Tier1 and Tiers 2&3. Cost \$8,254 for Tier 1 and \$24,226 for Tiers 2&3.

**Mike Wicklund moved, seconded by Martha Hahn that the Council proceed with Tier 1 TIN & TP Capital and O&M Cost Segregation Study by CDM for \$8,254. Motion passed unanimously.**

There was a consensus that Martha ask the Water and Power Authority to fund the Tier 2&3 study.

Meeting adjourned at 3:15 pm.

***Next meeting: 1 PM, December 14, 2011  
Location: L/E WWTP***