



## **METROPOLITAN WATER POLLUTION ABATEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

### **DRAFT MEETING SUMMARY**

**Bellevue City Hall  
Room #1E-108**

**Thursday, December 11, 2013**

**Start 10:00**

**End 11:17**

#### **1. MWPAAC Chair's Report – Scott Thomasson**

- a. Introductions
- b. Approval of October meeting summary (action item), approved unanimously
- c. Local agencies encouraged to review documentation designating their MWPAAC members to ensure the information is current
- d. Ron Sheadel and Bob Ransom agreed to serve on the nominating committee for January elections

#### **2. Wastewater Treatment Division Director's Report – Pam Elardo, PE, WTD Division**

##### **Regional Water Quality Committee**

The Regional Water Quality Committee met last week. Two items that the committee was briefed on are a proviso report on Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) project sequencing and an overview of some asset management projects that are underway.

You'll hear more about the CSO sequencing proviso report later today. Tom and I will be walking through a summary of the analysis that the Wastewater Treatment Division (WTD) did this year.

Asset management continues to be a focus for WTD. I understand the Engineering and Planning Subcommittee had a recent presentation on how WTD prioritizes capital projects. We look forward to continuing to share information on our strategic asset management plan in the new year.

##### **National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Renewals**

WTD submitted West Point application to Ecology in June 2013 and received notice that the application has complete.

Sent application materials to Ecology in October 2013 and have been notified it is complete.

Meeting with Ecology early in 2014 and we can expect to see a draft permit some time first or second quarter of 2014.

Two new studies one for south Sound and Salish Sea (South Sound Dissolved Oxygen Study and Puget Sound Hydrodynamic Modeling, respectively). Studies point to some sources affecting DO in south and central Sound. There are components in the study that need additional modeling which could take 1-2 years. We are encouraged with Ecology's approach and the additional modeling.

We'll keep you updated as we move through the permitting process.

### **Lower Duwamish Waterway Cleanup**

The latest from EPA is that the Record of Decision (ROD) will not come out in March, but more likely August or September 2014.

### **Feedback on Facilitation Services for MWPAAC**

As you know we've been using a different model for facilitating MWPAAC meetings. Robert Tovar, who is an internal WTD staffer, has been facilitating the meetings for the past year and also coordinating with other WTD staff to put together meeting materials and presentations. MWPAAC's bylaws call for an evaluation of the performance of the MWPAAC Facilitator/Coordinator. From my perspective things seems to working well, but I'd like to hear from you. This seems like a good time to get your feedback. Feel free to share those with us. You can contact me, Sharman or Robert.

## **3. Subcommittee Reports**

### **a. Engineering and Planning Subcommittee**

- CSI/ RWSP Updates

### **b. Rates and Finance Subcommittee**

- 2015 rate schedule
- Scope of work for IW fee structuring
- 2014 Septage fee summary

### **c. Advisory Subcommittee on Sewage Disposal Agreements**

- No Meeting was held

## **4. Briefing on CSO Sequencing Proviso Report**

Pam Elardo and Tom Lienesch (WTD Finance) presented a briefing WTD's analysis of accelerating the Hanford #2 – Lander St – King St – Kingdome (HLKK) CSO project. Specifically, the proviso analyses compared this CSO control project sequence to an alternative project sequencing option in which

the HLKK CSO treatment plant project starts seven years sooner. The analyses found that disadvantages outweigh advantages of the alternative sequencing option. WTD analyzed the effects of pollutants in CSOs by comparing the public health and environmental sensitivities of receiving waters to determine the best water quality benefit for each discharge area as early as possible. The report concluded that the optimal project sequence based on receiving water sensitivities is similar to the 2012 CSO control plan sequence approved by the County Council.

5. Robert recapped key elements of the meeting and reminded the membership of the upcoming elections and bylaws amendment at the January 22, 2014 MWPAAC meeting.
6. The meeting was adjourned at 11:17am