

METROPOLITAN WATER POLLUTION ABATEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Summary

**Tukwila Community Center,
Banquet Rooms A&B
Tukwila, WA**

Wednesday, September 26, 2018

**Start 10 a.m.
Adjourned 11:30 a.m.**

1. MWWPAAC Chair's Report – Pam Carter

- Welcome and Introductions
- Determine Quorum
- Report Out from Sept. RWQC Meeting
- Approval of August Meeting Summary (action item)

Everyone introduced themselves.

A quorum was in attendance and the August meeting summary was approved as written.

Pam Carter shared the following items were reported on at the September 5 RWQC meeting:

- Wastewater Treatment Division update on the timeline for simulator training at the West Point Treatment Plant, intermediate pump station failure and the South Magnolia Project.
- Contaminants of Emerging Concern and Toxics in Wastewater with James Meador, NOAA, US Department of Commerce presenting.
- Green Stormwater Infrastructure: Utilization of Combined Sewer Overflow projects, and GSI Strategies in Other Municipalities.

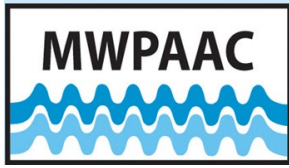
Pam shared there likely won't be an RWQC meeting in October or November while the Council is working on the budget. There will likely be a meeting in December.

Pam provided an update the WaterWorks Grant Committee. Bob Elwell, City of Auburn, is newly appointed and will represent MWWPAAC, Kathy Minsch from the City of Seattle is replacing Maria Coe, and Pam's term was renewed and she will continue to serve.

2. Wastewater Treatment Division Director's Report – Mark Isaacson, Division Director, Wastewater Treatment Division (WTD)

Mark Isaacson started his report by sharing a video that showed the accumulation of a heavy grease like substance in the bar screen and primary areas at the South Treatment Plant which required extensive cleanup. It was the result of an Industrial Waste spill that occurred at a bakery in Kent when a tanker truck was pumping heated palm oil into the facility and a hose broke discharging a very large amount of oil to the sewer system and South Plant. It significantly affected both local Kent sewer lines and South Plant. WTD will be issuing a notice of violation, which will include costs for cleanup, once we have full details.

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SEPA Decisions Issued for Two Upcoming WTD Projects

Lake Hills Trunk/NW Lake Sammamish Interceptor Upgrade Project

- On August 15, a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) determination of non-significance was issued for the Lake Hills Trunk/NW Lake Sammamish Interceptor Upgrade project.
- The project will upgrade approximately 24,000 linear feet of sewer pipeline in the City of Redmond and unincorporated King County and is necessary to convey 20-year peak flows through the year 2060.
- Trenchless technology will be used to install the new sewer pipeline beneath the Sammamish River and under Clise Creek near the Marymoor Park entrance.

West Lincoln Project Beneficial Use Facility Project

- On August 22, a SEPA determination of non-significance was issued for the West Lincoln Project Beneficial Use Facility.
- The project proposes to apply biosolids to approve agricultural lands of interested farmers in Lincoln County, Washington.
- The biosolids must meet all federal and state requirements before they can be applied to land.
- Additionally, WTD must obtain approval from the Washington State Department of Ecology (General Permit for Biosolids Management) before beginning biosolids applications.
- The project is scheduled to begin in the fall of 2018.

Students Learn about Construction, Careers in Wastewater at Georgetown

- Some students from Tahoma High School visited the Georgetown Wet Weather Treatment Station construction site last month to learn what happens during construction and see the trades in action.
- In addition to informing students about the design and purpose of the Georgetown WWTS project, WTD construction staff provided an overview of job opportunities in the industry.
- A WTD community relations lead was also on hand and provided students information on careers in wastewater in the division.
- King County partnered with Apprenticeship and Non-Traditional Employment for Women (ANEW), a pre-apprenticeship training provider open to all genders, to bring the students to Georgetown WWTS.
- As part of a class offered by ANEW, students expressed interest in the construction industry and chose the Georgetown WWTS site to explore different options available in the trade.

3. Subcommittee Reports

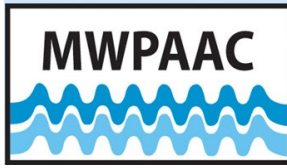
September 6, 2018, Rates & Finance:

- West Point Progress Report
- Bond Defeasance

September 6, 2018, Engineering and Planning:

- I/I Program Update: Draft Recommendation Review

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4. Regional Negotiations Team Update, Regional Negotiations Team Member

Pat Brodin, City of Tukwila, provided an update on the work of the Regional Negotiations Team. He shared that a tremendous amount of progress has been made and recognized the legal staff for their efforts.

A preliminary draft regional wastewater contract will be shared at the October 11 workshop, which will occur from 10:30 a.m. to noon right after the subcommittee meetings. The draft contract represents agreed upon language. We are looking for members' thoughts and comments and to identify any areas that need more work. There will be another opportunity for members to participate in a workshop on November 1. A Table of Contents will be provided a week in advance of the workshop.

Pat encouraged members to provide lots of feedback. The contract is not in final form and it's not ready to send to attorneys for final review. A follow-up conversation will occur at the general meeting once everyone has had an opportunity to review.

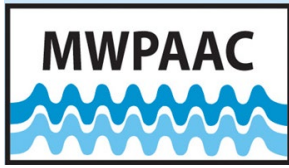
5. WaterWorks Grant Report Out, Elizabeth Loudon, Project Manager, WTD

Elizabeth Loudon began her report by sharing a presentation that included a video of the Hillside Paradise Parking Plots, which is a WaterWorks funded project. Many community partners participated in the construction of the plots and community garden. An acre of paved parking lot space at Kent Hillside Church was transformed into the Paradise Parking Plots community garden with 50 plots. Refugees, immigrant and other local community members can gather to grow culturally appropriate foods that promote a healthier lifestyle, improve food access, foster economic independence, and build community.

Elizabeth continued her report by providing an update on the WaterWorks Grant Program that included an overview and the following areas:

- Goal: Improve water quality in the WTD service area
- Additional Benefits
 - Build community involvement & stewardship
 - Leverage funding
- 2015-2018 WaterWorks Grant Awards
 - \$7.7 M for 105 projects in the following areas:
 - Green Stormwater Infrastructure (rain gardens & cisterns)
 - Education & Community Engagement
 - Research & monitoring
 - Stream & River Bank Restoration
- Highlights of projects that represent all the areas

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- What's Next: next grant cycle early 2019

6. **Portfolio Management Brief Update**, Mark Isaacson, Division Director, WTD

Mark shared a short video narrated by Joe Barnett, WTD Project Resources Unit Manager, on Portfolio Management that provided a quick overview covering the following topics:

- Why Portfolio Management?
- Portfolio Management Mission & Vision
- What is Portfolio Management? What's in it for WTD?
- How is WTD doing Portfolio Management?
- Deferred Projects?
- What is the Current Timeline

Mark answered some questions from members and shared that more portfolio management updates will be provided to MWWPAAC in December.

7. **General Announcements**

Olivia Robinson reminded members of the two upcoming regional wastewater contract workshops on October 11 and November 1 at Tukwila Community Center from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

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