

Federal Facilities Workgroup Minutes

Date: February 13, 2018

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Members in Attendance

Greg Allen, EPA, <i>Coordinator</i>	Vernon De Guzman, Brown and Cadwell	Jack Lady, Army	Jeff Sweeny, EPA
Matthew Breitenother, USACE	Ted Grabowski, Army	Elisa Ortiz, Army	Peter Van Dyke, NASA
Russell Clark, GSA	Alana Hartman, WV	Andre Remington	Katherine Wares, CRC, <i>Staffer</i>
Cassandra Davis, NYSDEC	Dana Jackson, USDA	Greg Sandi, MDE	Aaron Waters, DC DOEE
James Davis-Martin, VDEQ, <i>Co-Chair</i>	Robin Jazxhi, USAR	Dan Scrutchfield, Brown and Cadwell	
Liz Dawson, FWS	Lena Kofas, GSA	Stephanie Smith, Brown and Cadwell	

Agenda Item, Discussion Lead and Desired Outcome	Time	Materials, Notes, and Action Items
Introductions (Discussion Lead: Sarah Diebel and Greg Allen)	10:00-10:15	<p>Summary of Action Items from January Meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discuss the list of specific expectations for federal agencies and a federal agency timeline for WIP development at a future meeting. In Progress • Ask Jeff Sweeny to demonstrate CAST visuals on 2017 progress runs and results at a future meeting. Complete • Sarah and Russ will work on a first draft of the new member training PowerPoint. Members will assist by sending any helpful information such as a map of facilities and fact sheets. In Progress • Greg suggested having a work session with FFWG and additional EPA/CBP staff to edit the Midpoint Assessment Schedule and answer FFWG member questions (March meeting). In Progress • Chairs of FFWG will engage with chairs of FOD to determine how FOD can engage facilities and emphasize this as a priority in their agencies (Meet with Sally Claggett). In Progress

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Greg and Katherine will reach out to the Smithsonian about their reporting, to Scott Phillips about a new USGS contact, and to Sean Corson about a new NOAA contact. Complete • Need EPA and states to provided updated POC information for Training Presentation. In Progress; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ States should send Sarah state data POC name, title, email, and phone. ○ DC: Aaron and Luke are the POCs contacts. DC is working with Olivia on an upcoming CAST training, Aaron will send the FFWG more information about it at a later time. • Greg will see if a graphic exist for the schematic FFWG cycle, and if not then find someone to take a stab at creating it. Complete • Greg will work with the modelling team (Matt Johnson) to help with modeling and planning tools information. In Progress
<p>Federal Facility Reported BMPs and Loads (Discussion Lead: Jeff Sweeny) Review federal BMP records to diagnosis issues that we can address to improve the reporting system in 2018.</p>	<p>10:10-11:00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Meeting Materials</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Federal Facility BMPs and Loads PPT • <u>Meeting Notes</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jeff Sweeny presented on Federal Facility reported BMPs and Loads, his presentation can be found here. ○ Jeff showed BMP types reported by federal agencies, acres of BMP implementation through 2009. He was asked to define Stormwater Pond Performance Standard. It is a compilation of stormwater management at a set standard. It was asked if agencies should switch dry and wet ponds to SWP Performance Standard. Jeff said they prefer agencies use SWP Performance Standard rather than reporting individual ponds. James Davis-Martin commented that you aren't required to report in SWP Performance Standard; it can be helpful to compile but you get more credit if you report each practice. ○ Slides 12 and 13 show agency acres of BMP implementation for 2009, 2013, and 2017. ○ Federal Facility cover is up another 1% from the numbers on slide 15 due to more forest land. The majority of Federal Facility acres is natural land. BMPs will mostly be implemented on the smaller percentage of Federal land that is developed because that is where greater load reductions can occur. Slide 19 shows agency acres of developed land between 1985 and 2017.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Federal Facility growth can be forecasted so agencies need to think about how new loads will be offset in the future. Sarah asked what land use conversion jurisdictions are most concerned about. James answer conversions that result in increased loads; for example, natural to any other land use and pervious developed to impervious developed. ○ Slides 22-30 show facility nitrogen and phosphorus loads to the Bay by agency and source type. ○ Federal Facility loads have increased due to growth of the developed sector and urban areas. To achieve reductions, agencies should focus on effective performance standards on new development, retrofits of existing development, and conservation of forests and wetlands in their WIPs. ○ Sarah commented that phase 6 planning target goals are unknown yet so they should compare phase 6 implementation record to phase 5 goals. Jeff said agencies can calculate lbs./acre/year to find out progress using CAST. On CAST, annual progress reporting data and submitted/credited BMPs can be viewed, and agencies can perform queries on how BMPs and loads have changed overtime by agency and federal facility. Instructional videos can be found on the tutorial section on the CAST website or people can contact Jeff or his team for help.
<p>DOD Data Collection System (Discussion Lead: Sarah Diebel; Presentation from DOD contractors) Presentation on DOD’s annual data call process and templates. Member discussion to talk about FY17 and 2018 progress reporting and templates to be used.</p>	<p>11:00-11:45</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <u>Meeting Materials</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DOD Reporting Presentation ● <u>Meeting Notes</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ More information on DOD’s annual data call process can be found in Brown and Cadwell’s presentation here. ○ It was asked if DOD could share these tools with other agencies that haven’t developed templates or a reporting progress yet. Sarah said yes and asked if agencies would be interested in seeing DOD’s templates. Members said it would be helpful. Sarah said DOD will need support from jurisdictions with updating the templates around May. ○ Greg asked how they consolidate historical records. Stephanie answered, it varies from jurisdictions but there were common fields. ○ <i>ACTION:</i> Sarah will forward last year’s DOD template to the FFWG and review it at the next FFWG meeting to discuss scaling up report efficiency and see if the FFWG agrees on a unifying approach (What EPA team members and jurisdictions can be a part of this conversation).

<p>Update, Wrap-up, Next Meeting (Discussion Lead: Sarah Diebel)</p>	<p>11:45-12:00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Looking Ahead</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Midpoint Assessment Schedule Work session ○ In March or April, the FFWG will have each jurisdiction present objectives and work with local partners to create local planning goals and then talk about federal facilities target goals. Then, a face to face will be held in May or after planning targets have been finalized. ○ BMP crediting and gap analysis ○ Discussion on updating federal targets protocol ○ Review jurisdiction systems for electronic reporting MS4 and nonMS4 BMPs ○ Verification ○ Other natural resource outcomes/co-benefits being added to WIPs • <u>Next Meeting:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Next meeting will be Tuesday March 13th, 10a.m. – 12p.m.
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