

**MEETING NOTES**  
**Regional Solid Waste Plan Advisory Committee**  
**\*Public Meeting - Lycoming**

Date of Meeting: 4:00 PM, Tuesday, June 22, 2010  
Meeting Location: Lycoming County Executive Plaza, Commissioner's Board Rm  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 330 Pine Street, Williamsport, PA  
Meeting #: **Public Kickoff Meeting #1 – Lycoming County**  
Attendees: See Attached Sign In Sheet

Kurt Hausamann began by summarizing the purpose of the meeting. He introduced the staff from Lycoming County. He then introduced Tanya McCoy-Caretti.

See attached PowerPoint Presentation.

Tanya expressed to the group that this meeting was one of many that would assist the Consultant Team in creating this multi-county plan. She stated that Lycoming County has the role of Lead County for the development of this plan. Tanya proceeded to introduce the Consultant Team.

Dave Minnear discussed the scope and how the five (5) counties will be working together to enhance what is going to happen. Dave stated that each of the five (5) county's plans is about to expire or has expired. He has reviewed and summarized the previous plans. This information, along with other research and information gathered at the various meetings, will lead into the formation of the new plan. The purpose of the meetings is to get input, find out how it's done now, what isn't happening now but should, what should be avoided and what works/what doesn't. Some of the work involved will be to gather information accumulated (by DEP) since 2000, including supplemental information from each County, develop waste projections, look at factors involved, what technologies are available, etc. Dave also stated that a review of the waste sheds and strategies will also be conducted to find out how it works logistically. Dave commented that recycling will also be a focus of the plan and he would be interested to find out what can be done to increase recycling. Dave stated that we are looking to try to expand current composting activities. The plan is to ultimately create landfill capacity agreements and to come up with a plan that works for 10 years plus.

Terry Keene spoke about this being the first of many meetings that involve interested Stakeholders and the public. We will encourage open communication and feedback (both good and bad) so that we can create the best plan that works for everyone. Terry expressed that the Stakeholders meetings begin next week. This is an eight (8) month planning process (to prepare a draft Regional Plan for review). He encouraged the group to provide feedback and stated there will be many opportunities for the public to provide input to us. We are interested in understanding the diverse issues, yet still meet the regional needs. Terry pointed to a large map that identifies all five (5) counties, and that shows landfills and transfer stations that now exist. He commented that we are looking at possible improvements, if any, to the current system. Terry reiterated that disposal

## **MEETING NOTES**

### **Regional Solid Waste Plan Advisory Committee**

#### **\*Public Meeting -Lycoming**

Date of Meeting: 4:00 PM, Tuesday, June 22, 2010

Meeting Location: Lycoming Executive Plaza, Commissioner's Board Room,  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 330 Pine Street, Williamsport, PA

Page 2 of 3

capacity needs to be secured for the next ten (10) ten years. We want to identify, analyze, and understand the collection, hauling, and disposal situation currently. Once the 10-year plan components are determined, then we can look at implementation strategies.

Tanya summarized that each plan has unique situations, and they all need to be addressed. She reminded everyone that it is the responsibility of the Consultant Team to gather and disseminate information to the Counties. This is a fast-track process, and there will be transition periods within this year of planning. Tanya pointed out the schedule to everyone. She encouraged everyone to visit the website regularly for updates.

Tanya opened it up for questions.

Bruce Heggenstaller, Vice President-Operations for Woolrich. Bruce stated that he would like to continue doing what they are doing now, which is hauling to the Wayne Township (Clinton County) landfill only four (4) miles from their location. From an economic standpoint, he is not interested in having to take it 30 miles to a different location. Tanya commented that we are not looking to make drastic changes to the current situation, and understands his comment.

Dan Hannan from Steinbacher Enterprises asked if we are going to mandate where they go? Dan asked if we are going to implement flow control. Dan wants to know the end results and wants to establish early on that there are no limitations to haulers. Tanya stated that a plan normally has a series of disposal locations. Waste Shed analysis is looking at where it goes and currently it is too early to determine.

Kurt Hausammann stated it is not the County's intent to have flow control. Kurt commented that there has to be capacity to plan for the future. We won't know until the study is done how much capacity each landfill can handle. The evaluation includes projections and economic comparisons.

Terry Keene stated that we are on Step A and Dan is asking for answers to Step J. The purpose of planning is that we have to look at everything before we can provide educated answers.

Dave Steinbacher from Steinbacher Enterprises. Dave asked Tanya if, in her previous work on Waste Plans, has she ever implemented flow control. He stated that there is a serious burden on people who live there – when those counties have flow control. He stated that if flow control is implemented, he thinks it might get to the point that if you work in Centre County, it would be cheaper to haul it to Ohio. He hopes Lycoming understands the problems that flow control may bring.

Tanya answered “no” to Dave's question about Kimball's experience with implementing flow control. Tanya commented that the first set of Stakeholder meetings are next week; these issues will probably be discussed further. Tanya also pointed out that significant

## **MEETING NOTES**

### **Regional Solid Waste Plan Advisory Committee**

#### **\*Public Meeting -Lycoming**

Date of Meeting: 4:00 PM, Tuesday, June 22, 2010

Meeting Location: Lycoming Executive Plaza, Commissioner's Board Room,  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 330 Pine Street, Williamsport, PA

Page 3 of 3

investments have been made to secure disposal capacity, and it is important to ensure those investments are protected.

Kurt Hausammann stated that he has no plans or desires for flow control at the County level. This is the first meeting – it's wide open right now and we still have to open it up to the Public to see what's best for the region. Kurt stated that he completely supports making this issue public every step of the way during the plan process. He said there would be no surprises. Everyone will have information available to them throughout the process, and we're looking for citizen and stakeholder involvement.

Kevin McJunkin commented that each county has appointed members to stakeholder groups and everyone/anyone is invited to attend any Stakeholder meeting (even if not a member of a group). We will set aside time on the Agenda for comments and discussions.

Darin Hamm of Fred Hamm, Inc., commented that he is on the Waste Haulers Stakeholders Committee.

Kevin McJunkin commented that Dave Ruppert spoke recently, expressing concern over the recycling facility at their township. He stated that this is a very serious issue and he's done things to try to stem that. Tanya commented that illegal disposal/dumping is something that the Citizens and Municipal Stakeholders groups will be dealing with. These two (2) groups are most interested in this kind of thing. Tanya stated that the Consultant Team is in a position to make recommendations; however, we will always accept help from the public to stem the problem.

Date for the next Public Meeting is: Wednesday, June 23, 2010 at 4:00 PM in Snyder County at the Career Link Building and also at 7:00 PM in Union County at the Union County Government Center.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Johnson  
EfficientC