

MEETING NOTES
Regional Solid Waste Plan Advisory Committee
***Public Kickoff Meeting - Snyder**

Date of Meeting: 4:00 PM, Wednesday, June 23, 2010
Meeting Location: Snyder County Career Link Building
713 Bridge Street, Selinsgrove, PA
Meeting #: **Public Kickoff Meeting #1 – Snyder County**
Attendees: See Attached Sign In Sheet

Commissioner Malcolm Derk III started the meeting, thanked Gwen Jones and Debbie Wolf for organizing this meeting. He introduced Kevin McJunkin of Lycoming County. Kevin commented that the purpose of these meetings is to work together to kick off this plan. He advised that Lycoming County is the Grant Administrator for this plan. Kevin suggested to everyone that if they have comments and input regarding this plan, please bring it to your local coordinators, Debbie and/or Gwen, and they will provide that input to Kevin. Kevin introduced Tanya McCoy-Caretti of Kimball to the group.

Please refer to PowerPoint presentation.

Tanya asked if anyone in the meeting came because they saw the public notice. One person raised their hand. The remainder of the people in the room will be representatives on the various Stakeholder committees. Tanya commented that different groups are represented here. She welcomed everyone. Tanya introduced the Consultant Team and briefly explained their experience and background in Solid Waste. She explained the purpose of the plan and gave one example of what will be discussed (that there will be a review of the generation and flow of waste to disposal points). She explained that the Consultant Team will collect waste production data for the past 10 years, and then project it out for the next (10) ten years. In the end, we will come up with a list of plan recommendations and present them to the Counties. Tanya advised that the Stakeholder Committees have been formed, and the first of various stakeholder meetings will be held next week. Tanya also commented that previously, each plan consistently had a 35% recycling goal to reach by 2010. We will need to review that information and do additional research. Accurate data is important for a plan like this, and we have that information up to year 2000 or 2001. We are starting to go through 2001 thru 2009 data, including waste material (such as burning, illegal dumping, etc.) This all falls into the accurate data that we want to capture in our research.

Tanya introduced Terry Keene from Barton & Loduidice. Terry stated that communication and interaction with each group is key in this plan update. There will be many opportunities throughout the planning process to provide input. There are both urban and rural areas. We anticipate good meetings. There are three (3) things that we want to accomplish in these meetings: 1) get information out to the group; 2) get feedback from Stakeholders, and 3) work toward a combined solution to obtain plan consensus. The goal is to have a plan that works well for all five (5) counties. We are encouraging a lot of communication and we are interested in communicating

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electronically as much as what is feasible in order to cut down on paper use. We are sensitive to those who do not have email capabilities.

Stakeholder meetings begin next week. We anticipate seamless coordination between the consultants and all counties. We are looking for a smooth, open and transparent process. We will be posting meeting notes on the website for the ease of review. If you are unable to make a meeting, you will be able to review the notes and know what happened at the meeting.

The Consultant Team will ask for guidance from the Steering Committee and bring feedback from the Stakeholders, public and other interested groups. Part of our tasks will be taking historic population information and making projections. We will identify waste streams we want to focus on, and these are the things we want to talk about at the Stakeholder meetings. We also want to determine what our disposal needs are, do a comparison and see if local facilities can handle the capacity. We will analyze data, evaluate current operations, see what marketplace conditions are, look at alternatives, look at facilities we currently have, see if any changes are needed, etc. We need input so we can predict future waste management needs. Terry reiterated that it is still very early on in this process. We won't know solutions until we get there. We're keeping an open mind on alternatives and options. He reminded everyone that there is a lot of opportunity for interaction now and in the future.

Tanya summarized that the Stakeholder groups are important so we can get input in order to layout a plan for moving forward. Because of the background and experience of the consultant team, we are passionate about this plan. Tanya gave everyone the website link to get regular and consistent updates, and then opened up the room to questions.

John Wiegler of Freeburg asked what impact the Marcellus Shale issue is going to have, particularly in Lycoming County, on this plan. He imagines that it can impact population and waste generation also. He stated that 10 years ago it was not a concern or even a thought. Tanya commented that this subject was recently discussed. There is waste that needs to be disposed of, and it will impact on available capacity moving forward. We plan to have some narrative discussion in the plan with predictions as to total tonnages. If this issue gets big, we may be recommending to the counties that it have a re-evaluation in 2-5 years.

Terry commented that this issue needs to be assessed since the waste from Marcellus Shale (residual waste) may need disposal at municipal landfill, and this 5-county plan is a municipal waste plan.

Kevin stated that the Lycoming County Landfill has already made a decision not to accept residual waste. A local C&D facility is applying for a permit to accept this waste, so we'll see what happens.

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Debbie Wolf asked if she could comment on a few things. First, she wanted everyone to know that they do not have to attend 46 meetings – there are only 4 meetings for the Stakeholders. She notated the following as “FYI” – this is the 3rd Solid Waste plan for Snyder County. This is the first regional plan for PA of its type (affecting 5 counties). DEP is happy that the five counties are involved in this plan. Debbie expressed that she and the County appreciates the time each volunteer is putting in to participate. She noted that 80% of the cost of the plan is paid by DEP, and the other 20% is being paid by Lycoming County. Debbie mentioned that Snyder County is hoping for additional recycling opportunities.

Tanya showed everyone the schedule of meetings and explained that the lines colored in yellow are those that represent Stakeholders. She opened it up for other questions:

Stacy Henck of Monroe Township – will this plan include use of recyclables for energy generation? Tanya commented that agricultural waste (methane) for energy generation is being looked at, and the Lycoming County Landfill is currently looking at alternative energy uses from its landfill gas. The Regional Plan will touch on energy aspects of plan alternatives.

No other questions were presented.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 PM.

Date for the next Public Meeting is: Wednesday, June 23, 2010 at 7:00 PM in Union County at the Union County Government Center in Lewisburg.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Johnson
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