

## WPAC Meeting Notes

Report Date: June 24, 2009

Meeting Date	Start	End	Next Meeting	Next Time	Prepared by:
6-17-2009	5:30 PM	6:30 PM	TBD	TBD	Tim Dean

Purpose	Location	General Notes
WPAC Meeting	Elk County Planning Department Ridgway, PA	

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<b>Additional WPAC Members:</b>		
Refer to Attached Sign-in Sheet		

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Project File		
Project Website		

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1-A01	<b>Introductions and sign-in:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All attendees introduced themselves and Tim Dean requested that all attendees sign the attendance sheet. Tim reviewed the Agenda with the attendees.</li> </ul>	---	---
1-A02	<b>Recent Activities:</b> Graham Ferry and Jodi Foster reviewed the recent activities and field verification work. Graham also presented some example photos of culvert problems found during these field activities. These activities included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Visiting and verifying the presence of over 235 possible stream obstructions (bridges/culverts).</li> <li>Recording photographic proof of structure as well as surrounding conditions for modeling purposes.</li> <li>Recording various physical characteristics of structures such as</li> </ul>		

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	<p>pipe sizes, number of barrels, pipe/bridge materials, structural condition, bridge opening widths and heights (including piers if present), and distance from stream channel invert to top of roadway surface.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Verification activities were focused on various areas throughout the county with the majority of work focusing on populated areas where stormwater management problems were reported.</li> <li>▪ Matt Pfeuffer added that he has been working on providing this data for the obstructions in St. Marys, and plans to use a summer intern to help with this effort. Jodi offered Matt her assistance with the field verification work in St. Marys. Matt and Graham discussed the filtering process for obstructions that need to be verified. Matt and Graham agreed to discuss this further so that the efforts in St. Marys do not include obstructions where verification is unnecessary for modeling purposes.</li> </ul>	Kimball / MPfeuffer	Ongoing
1-A03	<p><b>Public Information Website:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Tim informed the WPAC that a project and public information website is being built and that a beta version would be provided to the County for review in July. Tim described in general terms what content the website would contain, and that it the intent was for it to be reached through the County Planning Department webpage, or as otherwise directed by the County.</li> </ul>	Kimball	7-22-09
1-A04	<p><b>Future Activities:</b></p> <p>Tim discussed the future project activities, which include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Hydrologic model build and calibration.</li> <li>▪ Release rate preparation and compilation of technical standards.</li> <li>▪ Completion of field verification work.</li> <li>▪ Evaluation and preparation of water quality, stream stability, and groundwater recharge requirements.</li> </ul>	Kimball / County	TBD
1-A05	<p><b>Other Discussion:</b></p> <p>Tim opened the floor to open discussion and questions. Questions and discussion items included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Millie Bowers asked about the obstructions and the possibility of obtaining copies of the photos taken. Jodi Foster suggested that packets of the field verification forms and photos be provided to each municipality. Tim agreed to issue the packets once the data was reviewed and organized.</li> <li>▪ Matt Quesenberry requested that Kimball also provide GIS data layers to the County of our obstruction maps. Tim agreed, and said that he would also look into whether linking the photos/verification data would be feasible at this time. Ruth Sitler suggested that providing the photos/data and the GIS obstruction locations spatial data to the County and letting their GIS staff generate the desired product would help the County with their in-kind match efforts.</li> </ul>	Kimball	7-31-09

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ridgway Township WPAC members questioned whether we looked at beaver dams during our field activities. They were aware of one located near the PA 948 bridge over Little Mill Creek that backs up water in the stream. Graham said that Kimball and the County did not collect data on beaver dams. Both Ridgway Township members asked how this dam could be removed. Tim said that typically beaver trapping and relocation is handled by the Game Commission, and only at certain times of the year.</li> </ul>		

All meeting minute items are considered correct and accurate unless the author is notified in writing within five (5) days.



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