



TTK Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 11th, 2015

6:30 – 7:50 p.m. EST

Hoosier Energy Environmental Education Center

Attendees: Josh Brosmer, IDEM, Charles Haney, Hoosier Energy, Trey Clark, WLRM, Bruce Marheine, WLRM, Travis McKinney, Stakeholder, Laura Demarest, WCIWA Watershed Coordinator

Introduction

Refreshments were enjoyed prior to the meeting (courtesy of Hoosier Energy) while brief status updates were given regarding the scope of the TTK 319 Grant project.

- **Status of TTK WMP:** The first full-length draft of the TTK WMP was submitted to IDEM during the final week in July. It is currently undergoing review and will be returned with revision requests by the end of August. Once the WMP receives approval from IDEM, cost-share can begin. The WMP will be forwarded to EPA for further, final approval, though cost-share activities can continue during this time.

Committee Input Cost-Share Plan

With the WMP draft under review, the Advisory Committee can focus on finalizing details for the upcoming TTK Cost-Share plan. It was originally discussed that the Cost-Share plan used for the Busseron 319 Implementation project would be closely modeled for TTK, mainly due to the fact that the plan was a success and with the intention of preventing any confusion in the region when it comes to BMP availability, etc.

The tiered cost-share system was addressed and the Advisory Committee suggested that few, if any, changes should be made to the documents that were used for the Busseron Cost-Share Plan. In the future, if critical area prioritization is mandated by EPA, additional parameters can be added to the documents to ensure that resource concerns in the highest priority watersheds are addressed first.

Finally, the cost-share practice list was combed over, and a few additions/substitutions were made from the original Busseron Cost-Share Plan. Since there is very little 'urban' area in the TTK watershed, urban practices were deleted, along with irrigation for the same reasons. However, practices involving livestock were emphasized for this area. Below is a list of the practices that will be proposed for the TTK Cost-Share Plan:

Access Control, Access Road, Animal Trails and Walkways, Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan, Conservation Cover, Constructed Wetland, Cover Crop, Critical Area Planting, Diversion, Fence, Field Border, Filter Strip, Forage and Biomass Planting, Grade Stabilization Structure, Grassed Waterway, Heavy Use Area Protection, Nutrient Management (Precision Ag. included), Pipeline, Prescribed Burning, Prescribed Grazing, Pumping Plant for Water Control, Residue and Tillage Management – Mulch Till/No-Till/Strip Till (Planter upgrades included), Riparian Forest Buffer, Streambank and Shoreline Protection, Stream Crossing, Structure for Water Control, Subsurface Drain, Terrace, Tree and Shrub Establishment, Underground Outlet, Water And Sediment Control Basin (WASCOB), Watering Facility, Wetland Creation, Wetland Enhancement, Wetland Restoration.

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