



Lake Management Planning

Winnebago Waterways Steering Committee Meeting

Date: Friday, March 8th, 2019

Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm

Location: Coughlin Center, Room D (625 E County Rd Y #600, Oshkosh, WI 54903)

Facilitator: Korin Doering, Fox-Wolf Watershed Alliance, korin@fwwa.org, (920) 851-0948



Attendees: Dani Santry, Keith Marquardt, Paul Tollard, Brad Roost, Alan Weir, Mark Sesing, Ted Johnson, Chad Casper, James Scharl, Todd Wahler, Kendall Kamke, Becca Gray, Jessica Schultz

Meeting Notes:

10:00am - Introductions

- Brief introduction of attendees
- Updates from around the system
 - Calumet County
 - Groundwater series – just finished up presentation series
 - Will be sampling ~200 sites for private well sampling program on March 25th
 - Stockbridge – farmer led group forming; several attended FDL producer led kick off meeting
 - Fond du Lac County – Paul Tollard
 - Producer led kick-off meeting held on Wednesday. Turnout was fantastic
 - Over 85 registered; over 50 farmers in attendance
 - Keith Burns presented remotely on carbonomics
 - Excited about turnout
 - Newly formed (mid-2018)
 - Sponsorships
 - LWQIA - platinum
 - FWWA
 - Demo farm network is being set-up; meeting coming up
 - Sheboygan river partnership just had theirs last week
 - LWQIA – Alan Weir
 - Platinum sponsor for producer led meeting in FDL
 - March 2nd – FDL agricultural showcase; exhibited
 - Mathias M. ag award – 3rd annual award will be presented at breakfast on the farm
 - Planning to have a booth at master gardeners show (2nd annual for FDL); end of April?
 - Walleye Weekend – LWQIA will be exhibiting
 - Winnebago on Tap Oshkosh – LWQIA helped to recruit speaker
 - DNR
 - Ted Johnson

- Made progress with emergent and floating leaf plant community mapping on the system
 - Created polygons
 - Figures/tables/illustrations
 - Plan to begin drafting text
- Permits are already being submitted for this year for APM
- Rush lake – large scale planning grant; proposal heavy on watershed
 - *Korin will contact Ted to see where boundaries overlap between projects*
- Kendall Kamke
 - Sturgeon season wrapped up – mostly safe; just a few vehicles went in
 - Conditions weren't great for visibility, so harvest was somewhat down
 - Overall, successful season – total 775ish fish
 - Ice fishing continues
- Keith Marquardt –
 - Upper Fox Wolf TMDL
 - Public comments were due January 18th – received several comments; in review
- Winnebago County
 - Demo farm network
 - Signing up two farmers – 100 acres total
 - Cash crop and beef farmer
 - Lake Winnebago watershed – putting plan in action
 - Using dollars for demo farm network
 - Breakwalls
 - L. Winneconne – working on permit applications
 - Poygan breakwall – partial redesign is on hold; hopefully will happen this year
- Waushara County
 - Heading into 2nd phase of private well water testing
 - Looking at central 6 townships
 - Completed last year's round on eastern portion; had significant hot spots for nitrates
 - Central portion – don't anticipate major hot spots
 - Septic systems- sending out 3000 notices
 - Asked to be part of multi-jurisdictional ...
 - Adams, Juno, Waushara,
 - BMPs, private well information,
 - See what can be done to improve water quality
 - Updating manure storage code; addition will be NMP requirement
 - Updated shoreland code
- **The next Steering Committee meeting is canceled (conflicts with WI Lakes Convention)**
 - Please remove Friday, April 12th, 2019 from your calendars.
 - Korin will send an update through email.

10:25am – Aquatic Plant Survey Presentations

- Brad Roost, Cason & Associates: Poygan and Winneconne
- Jim Scharl, Wisconsin Lake & Pond Resources: Butte des Morts and Winnebago
- Korin will send PowerPoints to SC

11:00am - Northeast Wisconsin Water Quality Pact

- Update about Pact progress
 - Winnebago, Fond du Lac, Outagamie, Brown, and Oneida Nation leaders signed pact!!
 - Signed during FWWA 2019 Watershed Conference on March 5th at Lambeau Field.
 - Lots of great media coverage – Jessica can share by request
 - Contact Jessica Schultz for more details or questions (jessica@fwwa.org)

11:15am – Project Updates

- Water Levels
 - Army Corps held another public conference call on February 26th to revisit drawdown target for 2019
 - Based on basin conditions, drawdown target will be 1.4 feet by March 11th
 - Hopefully, this will provide enough storage capacity to deal with spring surge
 - Sent stakeholder list to larger group for confirmation of participants
 - Next step is to send group an update and possibly plan a conference call for May
 - Drafting WL document – making progress
 - Plan to meet Plant Manager of the Sonoco US Paper Mills, Menasha Paper Mill location. He also serves on the Board for the Neenah Menasha Water & Power Company.
- **Watershed Management**
 - Jess – updates
 - Responses from FDL producer led workshop
 - Successful engagement activity
 - Can share results by request
 - DNR provided numbers from TMDL by HUC12
 - Loading and reductions by HUC12
 - Next steps
 - Fact sheets for each HUC12
 - Numbers will help to identify highest loading watersheds for prioritization
 - Will set up background for SNAP+
 - DNR and County staff will attend modeling workshop for SNAP+
 - Jess will send out invitation for that workshop (after Doodle Poll)
 - Mid-summer meeting
- Community Engagement
 - Will be sending out request for Tech Team availability to set up meeting in April
- Water Quality
 - On hold until APM draft is complete
- Aquatic Plant Management
 - Plan to begin drafting after WL report
- Aquatic Invasive Species
 - Strategic plan – 2nd draft is in the works after receiving feedback from tech team
- Habitat
 - Will begin after WQ draft is complete; site visits will take place in the coming weeks
- Recreation
 - Survey closed
 - 535 responses
- Shoreline Practices

- Draft reports for surveys and inventory are being written

11:30am – Project Outreach, Engagement, and Communications

- Events/meetings
 - Upcoming
 - Super Science Saturday – March 9th
 - Exhibiting to showcase LMP
 - **Winnebago on Tap!**
 - <http://fwwa.org/2019/02/28/winnebago-on-tap-march-series/>
 - March 14th
 - Nick Schneider -
 - Becket's in Oshkosh
 - Exploring Agriculture's Toolbox to Protect Land and Water Resources
 - March 22nd
 - Dr. Maureen Muldoon
 - Green Dragon in Oshkosh
 - Why is NE WI Groundwater so vulnerable to Contamination?
 - March 28th
 - Dr Bill Mode
 - The Bar – Lynndale
 - Ice Age History of the Fox River Valley Region
 - Wisconsin Land and Water Conference – March
 - Exhibiting to showcase LMP
 - Wisconsin Lakes Convention – April 10th to 12th
 - Exhibiting to showcase LMP
 - **Clean Boat, Clean Water Open Houses**
 - March 13th – Winneconne Town Hall
 - March 27th – Neenah Public Library
 - Winnebago Conservation Alliance – March 21st
 - Attended/hosted
 - Fond du Lac Ag Workshop – March 6th
 - FWWA 2019 Watershed Conference – March 5th and 6th
 - Exhibited and presented
 - NE WI Sport Fishing Show – March 1st through 3rd
 - Sturgeon Spectacular – Feb 9th
 - Sturgeonfest – Feb 9th
 - Battle on Bago – Feb 22- 23
 - Winnebago Conservation Alliance
 - Meeting at Oshkosh Defense
 - Forward Meeting at UW-Oshkosh
 - UW-Oshkosh Sustainability Networking event
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- E-newsletter
 - Subscribers: 1,160
- Social Media

	Facebook	Instagram	Twitter	Newsletter
1/2/2018	253	---	65	863
6/4/2018	376	30	77	898
7/12/2018	394	51	80	896
8/9/2018	400	61	81	796
9/24/2018	425	91	84	870
10/12/2018	434	101	83	832
11/8/2018	446	107	84	882
12/13/2018	452	111	86	1107
1/11/2019	458	116	90	1108
2/8/2019	475	120	93	1152
3/7/2019	524	122	106	

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- Other

11:50am – Public Comment

No members of the public were present at today’s meeting.

11:55am – Meeting wrap-up

- Other updates, events, trainings, and/or workshops?
- Upcoming Steering Committee meetings:
 - Friday, May 10th, 2019 from 10am to 12pm (location TBD)
 - Friday, June 14th, 2019 from 10am to 12pm (conference call)

12:00pm – Meeting close