



Technical Advisory Committee Virtual Meeting

February 28, 2023

Meeting Minutes

Present: Peter Wallers, MWCOG/EEI; Derek Hiland, DeKalb County; Natalie Karney, BACOG; Devin Mannix, ISWS; Dean Farr, McHenry County Soil & Water Conservation; Nora Beck, CMAP; Bob Leible, City of Aurora; Margaret Schneemann, IISG; Jeff Freeman, EEI; Gary Clark, Retired IDNR; Kristina Murphy, WSP USA; Jeff Babich, Sugar Grove Township Water Authority; Gordon Smith, Robinson Engineering; Katie Piotrowska, CMAP; Walt Kelly, ISWS; Kelsey Pudlock, CMAP; Matt Wilson, City of St. Charles; Tim Wilson, City of St. Charles; Wes Cattoor, IDNR; Wei Han, IDNR; Bob VanGyseghem, City of Geneva; Amy Gahala, USGS; Cecelia Cullen, ISWS; Eric Czarnota, CMAP; Jodie Wollnik, Kane County Water Resources; Scott Kuykendall, McHenry County; Vlad Lordache, ISWS; Haylee Young, ISAWWA; Jerry Elliott, Sugar Grove Township Water Authority; Daniel Abrams, ISWS; Fereshteh Ghiami Shomami, ISWS; Brad Merkel, Village of Sugar Grove; Caleb Apker, Burns & McDonnell; Angie Smith, EEI.

Peter Wallers called the meeting to order at 10:01 A.M.

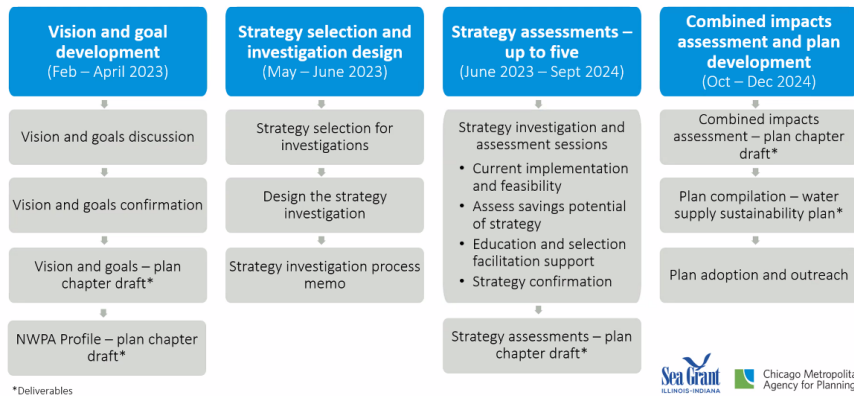
Welcome, Roll Call and Introductions: Pete (MWCOG/EEI) welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Agenda Changes and Announcements: Pete (MWCOG/EEI) distributed a revised agenda that was sent a few minutes prior to the meeting.

Approval of January Meeting Minutes: Jerry (SGTWA) made a motion to approve. Matt (St. Charles) seconded. Minutes approved.

Presentation: “Introduction to the NWSA Water Sustainability Plan (WSSP)”: Kelsey (CMAP) gave a presentation on the NWSA WSSP that will be worked on with the group. It is expected to be a two-year planning process. The schedule below was shared with the group.

Project scope and timeline





TAC's role in the planning process was clearly shared with the group in order to encourage participation at all meetings. The group participated in a Mentimeter poll with several topics that would be incorporated into different components of the WSSP.

Next steps: Post-meeting survey will be sent with additional questions related to all of the information that has been brought forward today. At the next TAC meeting in April: confirmation of project vision and sustainability goals for each water source and draft NWPA profile (existing conditions).

Sensible Salting Committee (SSC) (Update): Scott (McHenry County) reported they are having a training workshop coming up on March 7th.

CMAP (Update): Kelsey (CMAP) no additional update.

IISG (Update): Margaret (IISG) mentioned that folks were interested in their PFAS competition that they have coming up. More information: <https://iiseagrant.org/work/healthy-waters/programs-initiatives/gl-pfas-scoping-research/>

ISAWWA (Update): Haylee (ISAWWA) gave a brief update that WATERCON2023 is coming up in March and there are other training opportunities ongoing.

ISWS (Update): Daniel (ISWS) noted that they are working on the Kane County project which will be starting soon. Second, meeting in Will County for the potential for managed aquifer recharge study in the shallow aquifer. Third, ISWS has been having a great discussion with CMAP so they are working on some short documents that explain the methodology. These will be ready to be shared at the next NWPA meeting.

IDNR (Update): Wes (IDNR) mentioned that there will be some significant flows in the Fox River due to the storms up in Wisconsin. Rewriting some guidance on their dam removal program and will be issued soon.

USGS (Update): No update at this time.

SGTWA (Update): Jerry (SGTWA) Blackberry Creek Flow and elevation are up. Typical for the season.

Other Business: Pending regulations and/or legislation: None.

The next meeting will be held on April 25, 2023, and it will be virtual. There will not be a meeting in March due to WATERCON2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 PM.

Submitted by _____ Angie Smith, EEI