



Island County
WATER RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING

Thursday, August 7, 2008 3:00-5:00 PM

Taylor Road Fire Station (3440 Taylor Road, Oak Harbor)

A. Call to Order and Guest Welcome

- Citizen Members** Larry Bach (Co-chair) Barbara Brock Gary Fisher
 Don Lee (Co-chair) Dean Thiem
Technical Advisors Jeff Bash Karen Bishop Malcom Bishop
 Ryan Goodman Rex Porter
Island County Staff Jeff Tate Chris Wilson
Guests Jim Patton

B. Adopted July 10 WRAC Meeting Minutes

C. Announcements

The September 4 WRAC meeting will be at the Camano Island Senior Center. Discussion will include pharmaceuticals in drinking water.

D. Town of Coupeville

Rex Porter presented an overview of the reclaimed water feasibility study.

Department of Ecology funded the project for reclaimed water. Ecology Centennial grant funded the stormwater project. Partners for Reclaimed Water Project include IC Planning and Health, and the Conservation District. Two sources of water to be reclaimed (sewer and stormwater). Two beneficial uses of reclaimed water are for agriculture use and aquifer recharge. Planning is supporting the project through water quality monitoring. The conservation district is supporting installation of lagoons.

E. Penn Cove Water Sewer District

Dean Thiem presented current findings from the reclaimed water feasibility study.

Open House tonight to talk about reclaimed project. Working on alternative analysis of where the water can go and how it will get there. Farmer in Penn Cove is a seed crop grower who is very interested in using the reclaimed water. Seed crops require least treatment, Class D. Cost of Class D water is 1.5 million, and cost of Class A water is 3 million for Penn Cove District.

F. WRAC Discussion on IC Planning Documents

The WRAC is planning on reviewing IC plans one by one and determine where future work should be. This will be an ongoing agenda item. As the WRAC goes through various documents, DOE and PSP will participate to discuss local priorities and action items.

G. Subcommittee Updates

- Salmon Technical Advisory Group – No Update
- Potable Water Emergency Preparedness – No Update
- Groundwater Team – No Update
- Surface Water Team – No Update
- Nonpoint Planning and Implementation – No Update

H. New Business – None to report

I. Meeting Closure

Next meeting: September 4, Camano Island Senior Center

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