



Island County  
WATER RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**MINUTES**

**REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING**

**Thursday, December 4, 2008 3:00-5:00 PM**

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

**A. Call to Order and Guest Welcome**

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| <b>Citizen Members</b>                | <input type="checkbox"/> Larry Bach      | <input type="checkbox"/> Julius Budos      | <input type="checkbox"/> Bob Friedman |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grant Heiken | <input type="checkbox"/> Don Lee         | <input type="checkbox"/> Sherwood Minckler | <input type="checkbox"/> Dean Thiem   |
| <b>Technical Advisors</b>             | <input type="checkbox"/> Malcom Bishop   | <input type="checkbox"/> Jacque Klug       | <input type="checkbox"/> Jeff Bash    |
| <b>Island County Staff</b>            | <input type="checkbox"/> Aaron Henderson | <input type="checkbox"/> Jill Wood         |                                       |

**B. Adoption of November 6, WRAC Meeting Minutes**

**C. Announcements**

- 1) Public Health will submit two grants to the Department of Ecology in December. The WRAC signed a letter of support for the operational grant for a Public Health education/outreach coordinator position and the capital grant is for an LID Construction project to retrofit a parking lot. The Town of Coupeville will submit one capital grant for an Aquifer Storage and Retrieval Project in Central Whidbey.
- 2) Goss Lake Status – Public Health has taken a sample at Goss Lake for Blue/Green Algae. Advisory signs were posted. Seasons for algae blooms are longer due to warmer weather.
- 3) Through a Puget Sound Partnership Grant, Island County will work with a consultant to amend code to incorporate Low Impact Development in 2009.

**D. 2009 Agenda Planning**

Committee members reviewed handouts for agenda and project planning. The WRAC discussed gaining insight and direction on projects that were a high priority for 2009. Further discussion included determining the collective interest of the membership through a survey. The survey would ask members and technical advisors about what type of work is of greatest interest. For example, committee work or assessment work. Defining the level of participation and involvement from committee members will be critical. Evaluation criteria in the survey could include Water Quality, Water Quantity, Pollution Prevention, Habitat and Salmon Recovery issues. A survey will be developed and sent to WRAC members in January. February meeting to continue conversations of survey, agenda and project planning efforts.

**E. 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

**F. New Business**

Regular occurring meetings with the BOCC will be set up for 2009.

**G. Meeting Closure**

*Next meeting: February 5, 2009 Taylor Road Fire Station (Oak Harbor)*