MEETING SUMMARY
ALLIANCE OF DOWNRIVER WATERSHEDS
Technical / Public Education Committee Meeting
March 1, 2023
12:30 pm
VIA VIRTUAL MEETING

Attendees: Valerie Novaes, OHM; Elizabeth Thacker, OHM; John Danci, Sumpter Township; Brent Florek, Charles Raines Co; Ric Lawson, HRWC; Pam Labadie, HRWC; Andrea Paine, HRWC; Marisa Salice, HRWC; Noel Mullett, Wayne County; Sue Thompson, Wayne County; Kelly McRobb-Ackland, Wade Trim; Leah Groya, Consultant; Mary Trzeciak, OHM

- **Housekeeping**
  - **Invoicing/Payments** - All invoices are working their way through the process. Final 2022 payment is in process. The finance person at HRWC is out for an extended leave – Let Pam/Ric know if there are any issues and they will follow up.
  - **2023 Contracts** – The OHM/ADW contract has been executed. Draft sub agreements were discussed and edits/modifications made. The final Sub agreements will be sent out shortly.

- **Post Construction Reporting**
  ADW members have their first post construction reporting due to EGLE April 1st. Many members are unaware/confused/unsure how to proceed. SEMCOG held a webinar last week and EGLE sent out guidance that was developed a year ago. SEMCOG is working on a letter that will be made available to ADW members for loading into their individual MiEnviro account. The letter will generally state that they’re working with a regional group on post constructing tracking and reporting. EGLE has indicated that this will suffice for now. The SEMCOG webinar is supposed to be posted to SEMCOGs website – Katie Grantham and Kelly Karll are coordinating. Leah and OHM will work to get a meeting setup with the ARC and SEMCOG leadership to further discuss the post construction reporting approach. Include Katie Grantham and Kelly Karll from SEMCOG.

- **Collaborative ADW Plans**
  - Wayne County, Westland, Dearborn Heights permits are due April 2023 under the ARC schedule.
  - The ADW is currently in Year 3 of current Collaborative Plans. Next Collaborative Plans won’t be in effect until 10/2025.
  - Val will call Christie Allman at EGLE to confirm whether to roll existing plans into new plans, or have new plans attached when new permits get issued.
  - OHM and HRWC will review ARC and other IDEP/PEP plans to look at cost effective/benefit of items in relation to ADW and see what is ‘acceptable’ to EGLE.
  - OHM/HRWC will get draft collaborative elements out to the facilitation team by March 7th
  - OHM will get collaborative elements out to ADW by March 17th with comments back by March 24th. Include a summary/highlights of changes for easier review. Include all collaborative plans together to ADW so they get all of them at once.
  - Work to get collaborative elements approved by ADW via email by end of March/early April.
• **Biennial Reports**
  - Due April 1st and will cover the period between October 2021-February 1, 2023. All sections have been completed and reviewed with the exception of the IDEP section. OHM will develop the outfall map and get updated outfall table information to Ric. Ric will finalize and also will include the OHM memo in the body of the WORD document. Leah will develop email language for Elizabeth to send out to the ADW members with links to all of the Biennial reporting elements.

• **Updates**
  - Chemistry/Flow Monitoring
    - S Huron Valley Water Authority is doing sampling for ADW this year
    - Give Andrea any investigative site recommendations by March 10th
    - Volunteer sign up is 3/25 and getting good numbers from downriver
    - Andrea will share monitoring data with Sue Thompson from this past year.
  - E-News – went out March 1st. All e-news editions are archived on the ADW website and ADW members can link to the e-news material on their websites if desired.
  - Resident survey – working on a presentation of the survey results to share with the team and ADW membership
  - Staffing update – Marisa is finishing up her Masters Degree and is leaving HRWC for another opportunity. Her last day is March 24th.
  - Pam will get Pet Waste letter comments to Val next week.
  - Elizabeth will add to the Full ADW meeting agenda a standing line item of ‘EGLE Audit Support’ to remind the members that they’re not alone in the process and they can ask for ADW facilitation team support if they get audited.

The next PE/Tech meeting will be held April 19th @ 11:00am (virtual).