

METROPOLITAN WATER POLLUTION ABATEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Summary

Microsoft Teams

Wednesday, September 28, 2022

Start 10 a.m.
Adjourned 11:55 a.m.

1. MWWPAAC Chair's Report – John McClellan

- Welcome and Introductions
- Determine Quorum
- Approval of August Meeting Summary (Action Item)
- Regional Water Quality Committee (RWQC) Update
- E&P Chair Announcement

Olivia Robinson, WTD Government Relations, took attendance by roll call. A quorum was in attendance.

Chair John McClellan welcomed MWWPAAC members to the meeting.

Chair McClellan asked for a voice vote for approval of the August meeting summary. The minutes were approved as written.

Chair McClellan provided an update for the Sept. 7 RWQC meeting noting that meetings are now hybrid. The following briefings were provided:

- Overflows at Pump Stations and Other Wastewater Facilities: Causes and Responses
- Combined Sewer Overflows: CSO Background and Context, Georgetown Project, Budget Implications and Upcoming Projects

There will be no RWQC meeting in October as there are no committee meetings during budget.

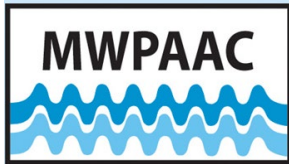
Announcements:

Steve Hitch has been appointed as the chair for the Comprehensive Engineering and Planning Subcommittee (E&P) and will serve through the end of the year. In January, MWWPAAC will hold elections for that position as well as the Vice Chair of MWWPAAC.

Chair McClellan shared that Alderwood staff sits on the 811 board, if members have any questions or are interested in that, contact him for information.

WTD sent out a poll re: how members want to be informed about overflow events. To date, 12 member agencies have responded. It did close but will be reopened for a couple more weeks. There will be a discussion at an upcoming general meeting on the best approach to provide information to members who are interested.

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2. Wastewater Treatment Division Director's Report – Kamuron Gurol, Division Director, Wastewater Treatment Division (WTD)

Kamuron Gurol, WTD Director reported on the Executive's Budget Proposal. It was presented and transmitted to Council on Sept. 27. The proposed budget includes the following WTD proposed items:

- 96 FTEs
- Initial work on Mouth of Duwamish (MOD) CSO Control Program
- West Point Power Quality Improvement Project

As for next steps, the Council will hold budget panels over the next couple weeks. The Budget and Fiscal Management Committee is expected to vote on the budget on November 8, with final Council action by November 15. Kamuron reported that WTD has already received a question from Council, and we expect questions to continue over the next week or two.

Kamuron provided an update on the status of the Clean Water Plan, which was put on pause about ten months ago. WTD has additional work to do, and it is also important to define a north star vision moving forward. Kamuron will be meeting with partners over the next few weeks to discuss how to move forward in the coming months. He will also continue to provide updates at MWWPAAC.

Kamuron asked members to review the Cash Funding Issue Paper that was sent out last week via email in advance of the MWWPAAC Rates & Finance Subcommittee meeting on October 6. We look forward to MWWPAAC's feedback.

Kamuron provided an update on the Suquamish Settlement Agreement that was emailed to members last week. Kamuron reviewed the terms of the settlement agreement:

- The County will pay 2.5 million to the Tribe to establish a Tribal Mitigation Fund compensating for all Tribal impacts for the past five years and any future wastewater overflow/discharge events for an additional three years through December 31, 2024.
- The County also agrees to pay \$50k for any emergency bypass from West Point, regardless of volume, that occurs in 2025 or 2026.

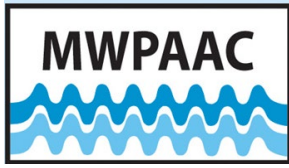
West Point Infrastructure Projects

- Within 18 months the County will develop a plan for future replacement of all Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) assets and will replace 11 UPS assets within two years.
- The County will implement certain Voltage Sag Mitigation measures by December 31, 2024.
- Within 10 years from the Effective Date of the Settlement Agreement, the County agrees to replace the four existing raw sewage pumps.
- We agree strongly in the importance of these investments.

Supplemental Environmental Projects

- The County agrees to fund Supplemental Environmental Projects totaling \$2.4 million, which would be completed within five years.

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- These will be impactful projects that show our good faith investment in the region's water quality and our shared commitment to the environment.

Kamuron responded to questions from members.

3. Subcommittee Reports

September 1, 2022, Rates & Finance:

- Capital Program Cash-Funding Policy Refresher

September 1, 2022, Engineering & Planning:

- Energy Efficiency

Ben Marre, Seattle Public Utilities reported out on the Asset Management (AM) work group. He shared the purpose of the group is to seek to improve knowledge of and confidence in Wastewater Treatment Division's AM program through transparent sharing of information, seeking feedback from contract partners with expertise in AM, and soliciting input on what information should be presented to MWWPAAC on the topic before the upcoming sewer rate process. Ben reported the second and third meetings of the group have slipped a bit due to summer schedules. The next couple of meetings are scheduled for October 27 and November 7. Earlier we talked about bringing some AM content to MWWPAAC General and E&P in October, so look for that.

4. Economic Impacts on WTD Capital Program, Chad Merrill, Project Control Unit Manager, WTD

Chad Merrill, Project Control Unit Manager presented an update on Economic Impacts on WTD's Capital Program. The full presentation can be found [here](#). The presentation included information on:

- Introduction
- Market Influences
- Impacts to WTD Projects and Programs
- Mitigation Measures

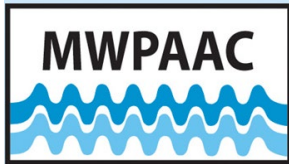
Chair McClellan thanked Chad for the presentation, noting it was a fantastic presentation. Other members also noted the presentation was very informative and recommended a high-level briefing of this information be provided to the Regional Water Quality Committee.

5. King County Equity and Social Justice Initiative and WTD, Robert Tovar, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging Manager, WTD

Robert Tovar, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging Manager presented an update on King County's Equity and Social Justice Initiative. The full presentation can be found [here](#). The presentation included information on:

- King County Equity & Social Justice Plan
- King County's 14 Determinants of Equity
- WTD Equity & Social Justice Program

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- Inwardly – Developing Awareness and Skills
- Continuous Focus on Workforce
- Outwardly – Integrating Principles into Action
- Integrating Principles into Action
- Advocate for Courageous Conversations
- Key Projects Underway
- Results from our Efforts

Chair McClellan thanked Robert for his presentation.

Robert responded to questions from members. One member suggested this would also be a good presentation for RWQC.

6. New Business/Future Topics, John McClellan, MWWPAAC Chair

None offered.

7. General Announcements

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

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