

Stormwater Steering Committee Meeting
I-30-04 8 AM Regents Room, Darland Administration Building

Present: Rich Axler, Tim Bates, Cindy Hagley, Erik Larson, Marnie Lonsdale, Candice Richards, David Schimpf, Jesse Schomberg, John Weiske, and recorder Cheryl Anderson.

Guest: Zandy Zwiebel (MEEEd Student)

Absent: Tom Beery, Bev Ecklund, Tim Holst, Mahjoub Labyad

1. Introductions
2. **Minutes from 10-14-03 and 12-9-03** meetings were distributed for approval. Rich Axler pointed out a typo in the 10-13-03 minutes where "graft" should be grant. Minutes have been corrected. 10-13-03 and 12-9-03 minutes were otherwise approved as written.

3. **Annual SWPPP Review (BMP 201-** Report on Annual Meeting- Comments, etc.)

Erik and Candice reviewed the presentation and reported on the annual review meeting, which was held on January 27th.

Best Management Practices that were addressed in 2003, and those to be addressed in 2004 were reviewed. Many projects are multi-year and will be phased. We can add to goals to the 5-year plan, but must be cautious about what we commit to.

Copies of BMPs 102, 501, 602, 603, 604, 615, 618, 619 and 621 were distributed and are available on the web. Review comments are due to 241 DAdB (FM) office by 2-9-04. Final drafts will be distributed by email.

4. **BMP 202-** MPCA Reporting Requirements, Committee Membership 2004
The format requirements for the annual report has not yet been received from the M.P.C.A., but is due by March 10.
5. **BMP 401-** Construction Project Reviews
Erik Larson has project plans available for review for Lot P.
Parking has done well with improving Stormwater quality on campus through lot designs and installing Stormceptors. Campus Stormceptors are required to be checked at least once per year and are cleaned and repaired as needed.
6. **BMP 502-** Piezometers
Erik Larson asked if anyone has access to a sensor for peziometer readings. No one did, but several suggestions were made for sources.
7. **BMP 101-** Regional S.P. Team: Marnie Lonsdale
The Regional Stormwater Protection Team is working on an educational media campaign and will also be present at the Home Show. Does UMD want to contribute anything (print media/book marks) to the Home Show? Marnie Lonsdale showed the winning RSPT logo, which was submitted by a UMD graphic art student. The logo will be used by all members of the regional team, including UMD.
8. **Other Reports-** Inquiries
David Schimpf asked how could this Stormwater group facilitate research?
Opportunities exist for a lot of Stormwater research and testing on the UMD campus. The challenges lie in staff and financial support for Stormwater work. Steering Committee members are encouraged to continue to bring research ideas/suggestions to the meetings.

David distributed a proposal to investigate use of biodegradable grits in place of mineral grits for ice control.

Discussion: Rich Axler inquired about using time-lapse web-cam to view stormwater flow. The Oregon Creek tunnel (near the UMD Research Lab Building on the lower campus) may be a good spot to mount a gauge to view the flow in the tunnel. Erik will look into this.

9. Soil & Erosion grants are due to Great Lakes Commission by 2-17-04.
10. Committee Structure:
The committee members and guests were asked to indicate their willingness to serve on this committee for the second year of the plan, beginning March 2004. Candice will forward names to Greg Fox.
11. The **next Stormwater steering committee meeting** is scheduled for Friday March 26 at 10 am in the Regents Room, 5th fl DAdB.
Tentative Agenda items:
 - Year Two B.M.P.'s
 - Sub-committee assignments
 - Earth Day involvement

Meeting Adjourned