NEW JERSEY CLEAN WATER COUNCIL
November 20, 2012
Meeting Highlights

Location:
NJEIT, 3131 Princeton Pike, Building #6, Suite 201, Lawrenceville, NJ

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<td>Ferdows Ali, PhD – NJ Dept of Agriculture</td>
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<td>Stan Cach, PE, PP, BCEE – NJDEP, Liaison</td>
<td>James Requa, EdD – NJ Dept of Community Affairs</td>
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<td>Pamela Goodwin, Esq. – General Public</td>
<td>Jessica Sanchez, PhD – DRBC</td>
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<td>Tony McCracken, P.P. – General Public</td>
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<td>Dan Van Abs, PhD, PP – General Public</td>
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<td>Others:</td>
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<td>Helen Heinrich, AIA - NJ Farm Bureau</td>
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<td>Gerry Skrajewski, MFCE, NJDEP</td>
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The meeting was called to order by Pamela Goodwin @ 10:10 a.m.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER’S and OCTOBER’S 2012 MEETINGS’ HIGHLIGHTS:
The Highlights for September’s and October’s meetings were distributed. Dan Van Abs made a motion to approve both meeting Highlights, and Jim Requa seconded the motion. The Highlights for September’s and October’s meetings were approved.

DEP UPDATE:
Stan Cach:
Stan said that Director Putnam had planned to come to today’s CWC Meeting, but she sends her regrets due to a priority meeting regarding the Division’s recovery effort from Super Storm Sandy.

Stan reported that the Department has been focused on the recovery from Super Storm Sandy. The Department’s Water Resource Management’s Programs have been providing statewide relief assistance with the water and wastewater utilities. Several large wastewater utilities and pumping stations were flooded. Other facilities had limited fuel to operate their standby generators beyond several days particularly when their lined transmission power system was out due to the effects of Super Storm Sandy. Communicating with every water and wastewater utilities was on-going so as to provide assistance in their relief and recovery efforts. Also, the State set up a Regional Operation and Intelligence Center (ROIC) and Water Resource Management staff helped in manning that operation 24/7 in taking telephone calls and responding in a coordinated statewide effort in the relief and recovery operation. Also, staff provided assistance with FEMA officials in their response to visit the impacted water/wastewater utilities.
**OLD BUSINESS:**
In the wake of Super Storm Sandy, its devastating impact to the State and the Department’s focus on the recovery and relief, the Department has requested that the Clean Water Council’s Public Hearing scheduled for December 10, 2012, be postponed until early next year. The Council’s Notice will be distributed and posted on the CWC Website ASAP. Chair Pam Goodwin will draft the Notice.

Then, discussions among the Council Members took place with a summary as follows:
Three levels of concern: 1) aging water infrastructure; 2) availability of resources after the storm; and 3) lessons learned. What are the standards for repair/replacement? What will be the new building standards? Should utilities re-do their vulnerability analysis? How did Super Storm Sandy impact New Jersey’s Water Infrastructure? How do we rebuild? What should we re-build? What are the impacts with the Insurance Industry? Department of Banking? Is our infrastructure ready for the next natural disaster? What should we be doing to get prepared? How do we go forward? Will Federal funding be sufficient to rebuild NJ? Where do we prioritize the funding? What will be the priorities? Will NJ’s water infrastructure be ready for the “New Normal”? 

Also, Rutgers University is planning to host a consortium of planners and experts considering the following questions: What did we think we knew before the storm hit NJ? How did we utilize that information? How accurate was the information that was known before the storm hit NJ? What do we do with the information we now have?

**NEW BUSINESS:**
NJ Future will sponsor a Seminar on December 7th entitled “Rebuilding a Resilient Shore.”

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**
None

**ADJOURNMENT:**
The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 pm with a motion from Ferdows Ali; seconded by Jessica Sanchez

** The next meeting of the Clean Water Council will be held on Tuesday, December 11th beginning at 10:00 a.m., at the NJEIT, 3131 Princeton Pike, Building #6, Suite 201, Lawrenceville, NJ. **