



Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District

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COOSA/ETOWAH BASIN ADVISORY COUNCILS
Meeting Summary
October 8, 2014

The Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District's Coosa/Etowah Basin Advisory Councils met on Wednesday October 8, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at the Cherokee County Administration Building in Cherokee County, GA.

Coosa/Etowah BAC Members Present

Doris Cook, BAC Chair
Bruce Coyle, Paulding County
Robert Endress, Atkins
Craig Ferguson, Brown and Caldwell
Kendal Foshee
William Grizzle, Cherokee Co Farm Bureau
Marjory Hicks, Cherokee County Stormwater
Nolton Johnson, Cherokee County Resident
Dart Kendall, GOWA
Keith McLaughlin
Beverly McMurray
Carol Moson, GA Association of Realtors
Bettie Sleeth, Home Builders Assn of GA
Marty Williams, Georgia Lakes Society

Coosa/Etowah BAC Members Not Present

Jackie Archer, Realtor
Jake Bendik
David Braswell, WK Dickson
Daniel Coffey
Gladney Cooper
Andrew Ewoh
Richard Gray, Murray's Loch Preservation
Group
Chadwick Hypes, Dobbins AFB
David Kubala, CCWSA
Aylin Lewallen, Brown and Caldwell
Hal McClain, Rindt-McDuff Associates, Inc.
Donald McClure
Merrick McClure, City of Canton
Robert Morrison, LAPA
Ed Mullinax, Cartersville Water Dept
Sean Nicholl, Lake Allatoona Association
Lori Pruitt, City of Cartersville
Thomas Shannon, Ewing Irrigation Products
Mark Smiler, Atlanta Board of Realtors
Lewis Stegall, Paulding County Farm Bureau
Bobby Terrell
Tom Wilder
Chris Williams, Landscapers of the South

Metro Water District/ARC Staff Present

Andy Cornwell, Planner
Danny Johnson, District Manager

Others Present

Jennifer Arp, CCWSA
Randy Flint, USACE
Keith Laguita, Mckim and Creed

Heath Lee, CCMWA
Becky Mixon, CCMWA
Tom Shannon, Ewing Irrigation

Welcome and Introductions

BAC Chair Election

There were not enough members present for a quorum and so it was announced that the election would take place via email. Doris Cook announced that she is not running for reelection. Danny Johnson explained that this year will be more intensive for the chairs because of the plan update process, with possible monthly meetings for the chair of the BAC. It was announced that Gladney Cooper already volunteered to run via email. Bruce Coyle also volunteered to run at the meeting. Each candidate will send brief bios to the District which will be sent to the other members to assist them in making their decision.

2016 District Plan Update

Danny Johnson provided an overview of stakeholder engagement activities of 2014 that will help fuel the scope of work for the plan update. Mr. Johnson summarized the major talking points from breakout sessions at the July 2014 Joint BAC meeting and provided a summary of the August 2014 Governing Board meeting which included a panel discussion on integrated planning.

Allatoona Dredging Program

Randy Flint of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers presented an overview of the Allatoona Lake dredging program operation that included the following points:

- The Dredging operation receives zero dollars in federal funding.
- There are sensitive cultural sites where dredging cannot take place.
- Some of the reasons for dredging include: storage capacity, and flood control (which is the most important for Lake Allatoona).
- The dredging is performed through market driven-contracts for removal and sale of sand. During the housing boom the private contractors were selling a lot of sand while at the same time more sand was coming back into the lake from land development erosion. The private company only dredges as much sand as can be sold.
- Going forward there may be spot dredging to clean up some of the tributaries and water quality.

Other

The next meeting will be in January, with the exact date TBD. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Facility Tour

The BAC took a tour of the Hickory Log Creek Facility. The tour was given by Heath Lee.