



**Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District  
Joint Wastewater/Water Supply-Water Conservation  
Technical Coordinating Committee Meeting Summary  
February 17, 2010**

The Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District's Wastewater and Water Supply-Water Conservation Technical Coordinating Committees met on Wednesday, February 17, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. in the Amphitheatre, on "C" level of the R. Charles Loudermilk Center for the Regional Community in Atlanta, Georgia.

**Attendance**

Chris Browning, Fulton County  
Ellis Cadenhead, Coweta County  
Charles Corbin, Keck & Wood, Inc.  
Bruce Coyle, Paulding County  
Ernest Earn, Cobb County Water System  
Catherine Fox, FOX Environmental, LLC  
Jim Free, Infiltrator Systems, Inc.  
Wanda Floyd, City of Canton  
Mary Gazaway, Georgia EPD  
Horace Gee, City of Gainesville  
Steve Green, DDCWSA  
Tonja Halton-Mincey, Henry County WSA  
Donna Joe, Gwinnett County  
Nolton Johnson, City of Atlanta  
David Kubala, CCWSA

Charles Lambert, DeKalb County Watershed  
Management  
Don McKenzie, City of Locust Grove  
Becky Mixon, CCMWA  
Terry Moy, Clayton County Water Authority  
Tony Parrot, Fayette County Water System  
Jim Poff, CCWA  
Timothy Pugh, Paulding County Water System  
Richard Randolph, City of East Point  
Ken Rearden, Hall County  
Monica Robinson, Fulton Co. DHW  
Jim Scarbrough, Gwinnett Water Resources  
Barbara Seal, Gwinnett County  
Keisha Thorpe, Peachtree City  
Keith Watkins, Clayton County Water Authority  
Emily Wingo, Georgia EPD

Matt Harper of the Metro Water District staff opened the meeting, initiated introductions and reviewed the meeting agenda with the group.

**Public Comment Period**

There were no public comments.

**Update on State Water Resource Assessments**

Matt Harper provided an overview of the recent joint water planning council meetings held across the state to preview the findings of the water resource assessments. Committee members who also attended these meetings shared their thoughts about the process and the information presented.

**Legislative Agenda Update**

Matt Harper reviewed the 2010 Legislative Agenda and introduced new items that the District will be tracking.

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### **Implementation Survey Results and Discussion of 2010 Survey Questions**

Corey Babb provided an overview of the 2009 Metro Water District Plan Implementation Review. This consisted of a brief history of the document and a short description of the information contained in each section.

### **Annual Report**

Corey Babb provided an overview of the 2009 Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District Activities and Progress Report. This consisted of a brief history of the document, its yearly due date to the governor and a short description of the information contained in each section.

### **FOG Education/Outreach Materials**

Corey Babb led a discussion regarding efforts to develop educational/outreach materials for fats, oils and grease management. This discussion included an overview of the 2009 Wastewater Survey results which led to a need for outreach materials, comments and suggestions provided by the Basin Advisory Councils and the Education TCC and a short list of proposed target audiences and outreach materials.

The second half of the discussion focused on the potential to manufacture biodiesel from collected fats, oils and grease. Committee members asked questions concerning the results of implemented programs in other jurisdictions including: process capacity, impacts on the number of grease related blockages in the sewer systems and costs/benefits. The Committee requested additional information on the potential of manufacturing biodiesel in our region.

### **Report on Work of Chattahoochee/Lake Lanier Sub-group**

Abby Owens informed the group that the Chattahoochee and Lake Lanier water providers have been meeting regularly since Judge Magnuson's ruling to discuss additional water savings potential through increased water conservation. She led a discussion on the list of potential water conservation measures the Chattahoochee and Lake Lanier water providers are evaluating for water savings potential and costs. The comments from BAC members on the list were also provided to the TCC members.

The Chattahoochee and Lake Lanier water providers researched commercial water saving equipment that could be implemented here in Georgia. Bill Hoffman, a national expert on commercial water efficiency, wrote a report for the group on water efficient commercial equipment and the potential water savings; the report was provided to the TCC members.

### **2009 Education and Public Awareness Poll Results**

Charlene Njoroge presented the results of the 2009 Education and Public Awareness telephone poll. A brief question and answer session was included at the end of the presentation. Committee members expressed their views regarding the importance of getting the correct facts out to the public to ensure they are aware of their personal impacts on both water quantity and quality.

### **Other**

Discussion of 2010 Wastewater Survey Questions was moved to the end of the agenda. Committee members gave input on how to clarify the questions presented so as to ensure the collection of accurate data.

The meeting was adjourned.