



**Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District  
Wastewater Technical Coordinating Committee Meeting Summary  
August 14, 2013**

The Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District's Wastewater Technical Coordinating Committee met on Wednesday, August 14, 2013, at 11:00 a.m. in the Amphitheatre, on "C" level of the R. Charles Loudermilk Center for the Regional Community in Atlanta, Georgia.

**Attendance**

Nick Ammons, Fulton County  
Bob Bourne, Cobb County  
Jennifer Carlile, City of Atlanta  
Tina Clark, City of Dallas  
Todd Cleaver, Gwinnett County  
Charles Corbin, Keck and Wood, Inc  
Bruce Coyle, Paulding County  
Ernest Earn, Cobb County  
Catherine Fox, FOX Environmental, LLC  
Richard Ferry, City of Senoia  
Kris Garcia, City of Atlanta  
Mary Gazaway, GA EPD  
Horace Gee, City of Gainesville  
Terrell Gibbs, Rockdale County  
Tonja Halton-Mincey, Henry County WSA  
Keith Higgs, DDCWSA  
David Kubala, Cherokee Co. WSA  
Linda Liu, Coweta Co.

Billy Lunsford, City of East Point  
Heather Moody, Gwinnett Co. DWR  
Terry Moy, CCWA  
Tony Parrott, Fayette County  
Tim Perkins, Forsyth County  
Ron Peters, Gwinnett County DWR  
Jim Poff, CCWA  
Tim Pugh, Paulding County  
Richard Randolph, City of East Point  
Wayne Robinson, City of Stockbridge  
Jerri Russell, City of Atlanta  
Barbara Seal, Gwinnett County DWR  
Kelen Shostack, City of Woodstock  
Brittney Thropp, City of Sandy Springs  
Beth Vaughn, Town of Tyrone  
Michelle Vincent, GA EPD  
Keith Watkins, CCWA  
Emily Wingo, GA EPD

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

**Public Comment Period**

No Public Comments.

**Energy Efficiency Turning Opportunity into Reality**

Bob Freeman of USEPA Region 4 gave a presentation of a pilot project from Tennessee focused on improving energy efficiency in wastewater plants. This included initial results of energy and cost saving realized by upgrading equipment and optimizing wastewater processes. Mr. Freeman expressed interest in piloting a similar project in Georgia.

**Implementation Surveys**

Mr. Faulkner reminded the group that the current Wastewater Implementation Surveys were due by COB Friday August 16, 2013. He then asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the survey, and there were none.

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### **FOG Materials Order**

Kostoula Vallianos, Metro Water District staff informed the group that she would be making a Fats, Oils, and Grease Door Hanger order within the next couple of weeks. All those interested were encouraged to contact her. Ms. Vallianos also took this opportunity to show the latest draft of a Septic Tank Brochure being produced by the District.

She asked if there were any questions or discussion points. A staff member from the Dept. of Public Health pointed out that septic contractors are not licensed in the State of Georgia only certified through the Dept. of Public Health. That staff member also briefly discussed additives to septic tanks and that properly functioning tank should not need those. The idea was pitched to develop a separate additives flyer. Another attendee mentioned that homeowners should be asking for manifests as they have their septic systems serviced. It was asked if the brochure would be available in Spanish, and it is.

Ms. Vallianos instructed the members to review the brochure and contact her with suggestions, comments, or edits within the next week or so.

### **Other**

Mr. Faulkner encouraged the group to contact him with ideas of suggestions for future topics.

The meeting was adjourned.