



**Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District  
Joint Wastewater and Stormwater  
Technical Coordinating Committee Meeting Summary  
November 18, 2010**

The Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District's Wastewater and Stormwater Technical Coordinating Committees met on Thursday, November 18, 2010, 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**

Corlette Banks, Fulton County  
Vanessa Birrell, Fayette County  
David Breaden, Cobb County  
Billy Buckhalt, City of Snellville  
John Butler, Gwinnett County DWR  
Charles Corbin, Keck & Wood, Inc  
Bruce Coyle, Paulding County  
Melinda Davies, City of Stockbridge  
Wanda Floyd, City of Canton  
Catherine Fox, FOX Environmental, LLC  
Kris Garcia, City of Atlanta  
Horace Gee, City of Gainesville  
Terrell Gibbs, Rockdale County Water Resources  
Jameson Green, City of Villa Rica  
Tonja Halton Mincey, Henry Co WSA  
Connie Haynes, GA EPD  
Marjorie Hicks, Cherokee County  
Keith Higgs, Douglasville-Douglas Co WSA  
Rob Hill, City of Newnan  
Chris Hindman, City of Fayetteville  
Renee Hoge, Forsyth County  
Brad Holtsinger, City of Stockbridge  
Donna Joe, Gwinnett County  
Sam Krishnan, City of Atlanta

David Kubala, Cherokee County WSA  
Linda Liu, Coweta County WSA  
Brice Martin, Coweta County  
James Moore, Henry County  
Anderson Mycroft, Fulton County  
Kathy Nguyen, Cobb Water System  
Jodie O'Brien, Gwinnett County  
Kevin Osbey, CCWA  
Tony Parrott, Fayette County Water  
Steve Payne, Town of Braselton  
Tim Perkins, Forsyth Co. Water System  
Jim Poff, CCWA  
Timothy Pugh, Paulding Co. Water  
Ken Rearden, Hall County  
Monica Robinson, Fulton County  
George Kaffezakis, Gwinnett Co. DWR  
Kelen Shostak, City of Woodstock  
Keisha Thorpe, Peachtree City WSA  
Julie Todd, City of Atlanta  
Kelli Uyesugi-Turner, Rockdale County  
Tammie Walker, Hall County  
Christina Williams, City of Cartersville  
Randy Willis, City of Stockbridge  
Emily Wingo, GA EPD

Corey Babb 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.

**DRAFT 2010 Metro Water District Plan Implementation Review**

Corey Babb and Steve Haubner then briefly reviewed highlights from the DRAFT document. Any additional alterations or corrections to the document were requested to be submitted to Heather Moody by Wednesday, November 24, 2010.

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### **Grease Collection and Recycling Programs**

Yvonne Douglas with the City of Roswell's Department of Public Works presented an overview of the City's Local Energy Assurance Planning Project (LEAP). This included an overview of: the U.S. Department of Energy's LEAP program, energy assurance planning, partner agencies and Roswell's plan for developing renewable energy sources with a primary focus on fats, oils, and grease. Questions from TCC members were concerned with type of fats, oils, and grease collected, potential available quantity for collection and management of the collection and storage site.

### **Secure and Responsible Drug Disposal Act of 2010**

Kathy Nguyen with the Cobb County Water System presented an overview of their 2010 Medication Disposal Days. This included an overview of: program goals, process for establishing a take back program, necessary permissions, cooperating agencies, costs and savings, the collection process, lessons learned and the current status of the program. Questions from TCC members were concerned with the type of medications and quantities received, the actual benefits of having this program and any proposed research to discern an improvement in source waters, disposal techniques and the potential to develop standardized forms for gaining permission from the regulatory agencies involved in a Take Back Program.

### **Discussion of Local Wastewater and Watershed Staff Coordination**

Steve Haubner led a discussion concerning coordination between local wastewater and watershed staff. The discussion included a review of successes, challenges and obstacles to coordination as seen from the local governments' perspective. A comparison was also made between coordination challenges, successes and obstacles between jurisdictions whose departments were all housed under the local government, jurisdictions who must coordinate between a local government department and a water authority and coordination efforts between watershed/wastewater agencies and the local boards of health.

### **Review of Data for District Water Metrics Report**

Marissa Duff presented the group with water withdrawal and wastewater data from the Water Metrics Report. She explained each of the tables presented and asked that the group contact her with any revisions to the data. One group member asked whether individual wells were included in the groundwater data. Ms. Duff explained that wells smaller than 100,000 gallons were not included. Ms. Duff explained to the group that an appendix with detailed county withdrawal data will be included in the full report. Ms. Duff stated that the wastewater data provided is particularly rough and she requested input from the group.

### **Request for Suggestions on 2011 Metro Water District Work Program Activities**

Steve Haubner presented a list of potential topics to the stormwater TCC. He asked that TCC members rank the topics in order of importance or add additional topics. Corey Babb requested that any ideas for potential wastewater work program activities be submitted via email. A comment was given regarding a desire for District Staff to begin coordinating activities to address the emerging nutrient issues in the water planning district including tracking and providing comments to GA EPD on their review of existing lake standards and development of new nutrient criteria for all surface waters. It was proposed that a joint stormwater and wastewater subcommittee be formed or further joint wastewater and stormwater TCC meetings be held to address these emerging nutrient issues.

The meeting was adjourned.