

Northland NEMO Partner meeting notes

DATE: Friday, February 19th, 2010

TIME: 9:30-11:30am

LOCATION: Water Resource Conference Room, McNeal Hall 194.

Participants: John Bilotta (Extension), Jack Frost (METC), Madeline Banschbach (Carver WMO), Amy LeMieux (WMWA), Angie Hong (EMWEP), Denise Lezer (MPCA), Anna Kerr (MPCA), Michele Hanson (DNR), Jenny Winkelman (MWMO), Stacey Lijewski (Hennepin), Stephanie McNamara (VALMO)

1. New NNEMO Modules: Work Group status reports, set deadlines for completed modules, and identify barriers or next steps. (these are the lead persons, but do not represent all the work group members)

- Pervious pavement technologies for LDMs (Claire)
- Bioretention for LDMs (Madeline)
- Road Salt and Sand Management - chloride concerns for LDMs (Anna)
- Stormwater Ponds Management for LDMs (John)
- How could we incorporate the use of the National LID database into these and follow-up from our December discussion?*

Notes, comments and questions about modules

- Salt/chloride vs. winter best management practices? (naming)
- Add some place in the presentations where to get further information, how, where, and on what input to get from the audience members, what questions would /should we ask this audience at the conclusion of the module?
- Module review process, timeline steps, getting peer review, NEMO partner review, etc. *how will we do this?*
- Pervious pavement demonstration sites, examples -develop all , have them in the back pocket, ready to use to localize presentations,
- Are there resources that accompany these modules? Binder of information...tips, example, how to present, etc
- Make sure modules identify what you want the audience to do with the information, action you want them to take, next steps,
- How do we identify gaps in modules – esp. ordinance, policies, O&M needs
- Are there individuals that want to participate in work groups?
- Jenny Winkelman – review only, Amy LeMieux – Salt/chloride review team

Timelines for modules: *Here is an update from the teams...*

BIOR: Outline completed - Meets March 2nd

Salt/Chloride: Phone conference within 2 weeks, outline will be completed

Pervious Pavements: Outline completed. Working on gathering case studies

Stormwater Ponds: Outline completed. Shane working on content.

- All module introduction slides – have completed by March 5th? **Julie Westerlund & John Bilotta?**
- Send outlines out to review group by March 5th meeting **John Bilotta (BIOR, SWP, & PP all ready to send now)**
- Have work groups identify the need for content they cannot get and need assistance/content contribution needs from others. – by March 5th. (John to send email to work group leaders)

Idealistic timelines & priorities: *when should these modules be completed? Month & how many responded out of 9.*

#1. BIOR: (5) indicating get it done by April

#2. Pervious Pavements: (2) indicating get it done by April

#3. Chloride/salt: (2) indicating by June/July (so it is ready for pre-fall/winter implementation)

SWP: (no responses for priority)

Outline Review Process:(ideas)

Send outlines out prior to March 5th

Develop a review worksheet?

Outline content review process – John?

Review comments to team captains - all

Review at a meeting – on an agenda, need time, in-person (would need 30+ minutes)

2. Funding NEMO for a continued future - local partner contributions and NEMO collaborative grant applications.

- Update on funding
- How best to continue local partner support
- Applying for collaborative grants (LCMNR, NSF, multiple others)

Notes, comments and questions

John gave an update about program funding for both the current fiscal year and the next. Our target is have a good 3-part mix of Extension/Sean Grant support, local partner contributions, and grants. In regards to requesting local partner financial support for the program, requests should be sent now, by John and BWSR (Steve Woods). Most of the local partners are or soon will be discussing budgets for 2011. We should be making our requests now. Most of the local partners operate on a calendar year, not a July-June fiscal year like the UofMN.

FY 2009-10 = \$45,700 in local partner & grant support, \$34,300 in Extension/Sea Grant support

FY 2010-11 = \$22K in local partner support (to date), ~\$5-10K in per program revenue fees,

Our target from local partners \$50-60K. Our overall goal is \$80-100K/year.

Identify additional partners plus apply for grants.

- John will work with BWSR to send request for financial support soon (March 1st as a target).
- Request may include a 2010 request covering July-December 2010 AND a 20100 calendar year request.

Update on Grant FRPs (requests for proposals):

John reviewed several RFPs and indicated in his opinion; none were suitable for NEMO at this time. We will not be applying for any of the RFPs he quickly listed. Discussion. Summary of comments/discussion:

- JB to send NEMO group criteria, constructs of grant needs – what do we need, when
- XCEL has a small grant available – Jenny will send information to John
- CWLegacy funds – RFP coming out (Michele) to send information to John
- 319 – see Denise Lezer. April/May timeline? (see also Angie's past application)
- St. Croix Basin River Association (Denise) ?
- JB seek advice from Dave D – National NEMO about state NEMO grants
- DNR St. Croix Basin Collaborative group ?
- MN River Basin Commission (Jack)

3. NEMO Programming updates - where and what NEMO has been doing in communities.

- John gave a report of a sample of three recent NEMO programs: Prior Lake NEMO, Watershed Game Training, and Minnesota DNR Ecological-Waters Stakeholder group.
- John reminded everyone to check out the NEMO website under *What's Happening*. Where and what NEMO is doing and has done is all there!

4. New NEMO Work possibilities (i.e. new work groups, modules, or efforts to discuss)

Not discussed (ran out of time):

- Ordinances: survey of, tracking of, presentation about, needs

Work group make sure we include PCA MS4 person, Impaired waters staff person, , Angie's new 319 grant has this specified, follow SAFLs survey model, Jean Coleman, Anna Kerr,

- NEMO participant evaluations/follow-up surveys: online, standard format, etc

5. NEMO website resource page update - tasks assigned.

JB Send a reminder out regarding assignments. Here they are:

To populate the website the following people will be in charge of content:

LID- **Anna,**

Rain Gardens- **Angie,**

Porous Pavement- **Louise,**

Ordinances & Policies- **Julie W. ,**

Streets ?

Natural Resource Planning- **Julie W,**

Redevelopment- ?

Chlorides- **Claire**

Format – each person above will provide ...

1. The Title of section (provide the title of the section if different than above)
2. Content A – Provide the **best 1-2** page fact sheet on the topic.
3. Content B – the best **one** case study or demonstration project that represents the topic or practice. This could be PDF (demo fact sheet, PDF, PPT made into a PDF, a virtual tour, or a web link to it on another site)
4. Content C – would consist of the **one**, best website to go for more information.

6. Local NEMO partner updates.

- WMWA – WSG in April – Amy L LeMieux
- MWMO – VFBR April 28th – Jenny Winkelman
- Eco Experience building exploration– WSG – Michele
- St. Croix – focus groups? St. Croix NEMO chapter – Angie
- 9Mile/MCWD – NEMO at SMM February 28th
- MCWD NEMO in some specific cities + watershed wide program April (tbd)
- Vadnais – purchased WSG tool set
- Riley Purg watershed – invited for basic NEMO
- St. Cloud region - Spring NEMO workshop
- Brainerd – Baxter – NEMO and Extension Water Resource Management team project
- Vermillion – tbd
- Chisago – purchased WSG tool set, spring workshop tbd, including with North Branch
- International Erosion Control Conference – Watershed Game– Dallas – Julie & Angie

March 5th NEMO Meeting

Agenda items:

- **Module review (1-2 with a 30 minute review)**
- **What would the NEMO 101 module and train-the-trainer look like?**
- **NEMO financial requests to local partners, grant requests**
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The 2010 NEMO meeting schedule is also available on the web at

<http://www.northlandnemo.org/images/2010NNEMOmeetingschedule.pdf>

If you have additional agenda items, please send them to John Bilotta at jbilotta@umn.edu.