



**Upper White River Watershed Alliance (UWRWA)
TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING**

Thursday, April 11, 2013
Hamilton County SWCD
Conference Room
1717 Pleasant St., Ste 100
Noblesville, IN
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

MEETING SUMMARY

A. Introductions & Welcome

Sheila McKinley (CBBEL) welcomed everyone to the meeting. The following attendees introduced themselves: Shaena Reinhart (Empower Results), Leslie White (Fall Creek Watershed Partnership), Michelle Kearns (Empower Results), John Thomas (City of Carmel), and Pat Sheehan (Weihe Engineers).

B. Review 2013 Work Plan and Assign Committee Leads

The committee reviewed the work plan and assigned leaders to each task (on next page). The group also brainstormed ways to accomplish each item.

C. A few ideas unrelated to the work plan items were discussed, including:

- Website ideas:
 - Post a list of available cost-share programs so landowners know their choices (like Fall Creek cost-share for single rain gardens or smaller projects)
 - Would be neat to create an interactive map (like the one on the CCCW website) that shows where cost-share projects are located. When pins are clicked on, they could show before/after photos or give a planting date (if it's a community project that would be open to public), show load reductions, and link to the specs or planting plan used
- For our August tech committee meeting, could we go tour some of the installed cost-share projects?
- We should reach out to wellhead protection areas about our cost-share program (as long as projects are above & beyond what is required)

D. Next Meeting Date and Location

Thursday, June 13, 2013, 10 a.m. – Noon, Hamilton County SWCD (Noblesville)

UWRWA - 2013 Technical Committee Work Plan

PROJECTS	TIMELINE												Tech Comm. Leader	NOTES
	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.		
Technical Committee Meetings		X		X		X		X		X		X	Sheila	
Review Cost-Share Applications		X				X				X			Michelle, Shaena	
Meet with Park Foundations regarding naturalizing waterway initiatives or other crossover projects for 319 projects	X	X											Michelle, Shaena	
Engage in Greening the Crossroads; determine possible cooperative projects for cost-share program	X	X											Michelle, Cliff, Angela	Attend a GTC meeting, engage Angela to complement TNC projects as well
Work with partner agencies to develop agency-approved technical standards for urban practices (NRCS)	X	X		X									Sheila	Meet with Amie Lester first to determine current status; Review standards we recommend to ensure we're using best available
Reach out to economic development professionals to identify tools we can develop to help them with open-space planning, LID, watershed-wide planning, and overall ordinance reform			X	X										Send a survey to ED professionals to see what tools they need, then hold 1/2 day economic development workshop in Sept. (River Festival); check out America's Byways resources
Organize a tour/workshop to promote LID to stormwater and municipal staff; Hold training(s) focused on LID practices/protocol development for inspection training				X		X		X					John T., Shaena, Kevin	Partner with Spence on bus tour in Sept. (River Festival), promote LID and discuss maintenance on-site; SSCB planning a tour for Sept.? Plan around INAFSM and river clean-up days
Promote completed cost-share projects/models						X		X		X			Leslie (tentative)	Write articles, send out photos, also publicize planting days and make them into community events/block parties
Develop content for CCCW expansion pledges (if new pledges are created in 2013)								X		X				
Begin developing a plan for network or volunteer monitoring (doing regular HR trainings; conducting dip-in days and/or sampling schedules)										X		X	Sheila, Pat	EPA/IDEM want to see results of cost-share projects; IWQMC has comprehensive WQ data on their website – support/enhance this effort

Remember our existing programs & link efforts to these and each other (Clear Choices, 319 Grant, River Festival)