

Cypress Basin Clean Rivers Program

7 27 2020 Stakeholders meeting

Minutes

NOTE: This meeting was originally scheduled to be held in April but due to the onset of the Corona virus it was postponed and now is being held as a conference call because of the limitations for in person meetings caused by the Covid-19 Pandemic.

Robert Speight called the meeting to order at 2:05pm

Approximately 16 stakeholders participated in the call. (The number was approximate because several people called in late and some left the call early.)

Robert Speight, NETMWD Water Quality Team Leader, thanked everyone for attending and apologized for not being able to hold a traditional meeting.

The first presentation was on the 2019 Basin Highlight Report by Randy Rushing with WMS. Randy went over new listings and delistings. Randy talked about NETMWD's special studies covering Nitrates and Sulfates and also the ongoing study looking at DO and rising pH in Lake O the Pines due to the new listing of this water body for pH.

Randy then opened the floor for questions and there were none.

Robert Speight presented the results of the Total Phosphorus Load Agreement. This agreement is between NETMWD and the seven entities that have Wastewater Treatment Plants upstream of Lake O' the Pines. This agreement limits the amount of phosphorus these WWTPs are allowed to release into the creeks and these are monitored by NETMWD each year by reports that are submitted by the entities to NETMWD.

Robert then asked the attendees for questions about the TPLA. No questions were asked.

Robert then presented a 3 year look at NETMWD's On Site Septic Facility program (OSSF) NETMWD serves as the Designated Representative for 4 counties in NE Texas in the program. Robert's team handles permitting and complaint investigations in an area of approximately 2500 square miles in the watersheds of the Cypress and Sulphur.

Robert then opened the floor for questions about OSSF. When no questions were asked Robert gave the attendees the opportunity to ask questions, make comments or provide input on any aspect of the CRP program or any issues in the Basin that could be of interest.

No questions were asked and no comments were given. Robert thanked everyone for participating and ended the call at 2:42pm