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Meeting Notes – National Water Quality Monitoring Council (Council) April 12, 2016

(Agenda and list of participants on pages 1 and 2, presentations posted on Council website at: <http://acwi.gov/monitoring/>)

Actions, Decisions and other Information

1. **Decision:** Upon a motion made (Leslie McGeorge), seconded (Aaron Borisenko), and carried, the February 24, 2016 Council Meeting minutes were approved and will be posted on the website (Kim Martz).

2. **Water Quality Portal (WQP)** –Jim Kreft gave a presentation on the updated Water Quality Portal Strategic Plan (see presentation "[Portal vision_04_12_2016](#)"). Discussion with the Council included a charge to Council members to help with outreach activities and clarification of how state data will be loaded into the Portal (through WQX). The updated Strategic Plan and information about the Water Quality Portal will be presented at the 2016 NMC.
 - **Decision:** Upon a motion made (Jon Marshack), seconded (Leslie McGeorge), and carried, National Water Quality Monitoring Council approved of the Water Quality Portal Strategic Plan.

3. **2016 Conference Update-** Alice Mayo and committee chairs updated the Council on the status of the 2016 National Monitoring Conference. Alice Mayo thanked the Conference Planning Committee for their hard work and also acknowledged the many other people who have helped to make the Conference possible.
 - Registration: As of 4/9/16, there were 603 people registered to attend the Conference. There are currently 36 exhibitors registered, which fills up almost all of the exhibitor booths. Two field trips and one extended session were cancelled due to low registration. The Fluid 5K currently has 42 people signed up.
 - The Program is going to the printer next Monday (4/18/16). All pieces needed for the program should be sent in by this time.
 - Candice Hopkins presented options for NWQMC Social Activities; there will be a sunset cruise on Monday, 5/2 at 7:00 pm and a group dinner on Thursday, 5/5 around 8:00 pm. Spouses and friends of the Council are invited to these activities.
 - A Volunteer Position spreadsheet was presented to the Council. Any Council member who is attending the Conference is asked to sign up for multiple volunteer slots. The spreadsheet was posted to the Council's Gmail account and a link was emailed to the NWQMC list.
 - The Extended Sessions are coming together well; currently the Extended Sessions Committee is working to fill in holes in the agenda where speakers had to pull out.
 - Barb Horn discussed the Networking session and charged Council members to volunteer to be a facilitator in their assigned group. In addition, she explained the two informal networking opportunities that will be offered on Wednesday evening.

MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, April 12, 2016 – Eastern Daylight Time

- 11:00 am – Welcome and Roll Call (Gary Rowe, Susan Holdsworth)
- 11:05 am – Council Business -- Approval February, 2016 Council meeting minutes (Candice Hopkins)
- 11:10 am – Water Quality Portal Strategic Plan (Jim Kreft)
- 11:40 am– 2016 Conference Update (Alice Mayo)
- 12:50 pm – Future meeting discussion (Candice Hopkins)
- 1:00 pm – Adjourn

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