



4-County CWMA Technical & Scientific Review Committee Meeting

July 12th, 2017, 11:00-Noon

East Multnomah SWCD

5211 N Williams Ave.

Portland, OR 97217

Attendees:

Casey Gozart, Clark Public Works

Jeff Lesh, Clackamas SWCD

Matt lee, Columbia Slough Watershed Council

Michelle Delepine, West Multnomah SWCD

Sarah Hamilton, 4-County CWMA Coordinator

Welcome, Approve Agenda

Action: Add 'What are some needs that your organization has that the CWMA can meet?' to the end of the agenda.

Approved: Agenda

Approved: Minutes from last meeting

Coordinator schedule update: Sarah is working 8-6:30 M-Th.

Update: CWMA Weed List

Jeff Lesh, Clackamas SWCD

Jeff has been converting the weed list to a database, and working on developing a public list for distribution. It will be ready by the next general meeting. The public list will include all plants that are on the public lists for partner organizations, along with partner rankings and comments.

- Jeff will showcase the public list at the August meeting. The public list could provide impetus for more funding. **Action:** Add 10 minutes on the upcoming General Meeting agenda for Jeff to introduce the out-facing list.
- **Features still to change**
 - Comments are intended as justification for rank changes and other descriptions. iMap Invasives, EDDMaps, iNaturalist, and herbarium vouchers are the best way to keep track of locations.

- CWMA and partner ranks. The list includes definitions by each MOU signatory for what each rank means. The group agrees to keep the CWMA ranking on the public list.
- **Future agenda item:** how we maintain the list?
 - Jeff can solicit updates from folks, but the list is not a web interface in real-time. He will manage a master copy.

Report: Weed Free Gravel

Michelle Delepine

Michelle is keeping us in the loop on the weed-free gravel certification process. She put together a survey. Beth has a directory of gravel providers/quarries. Michelle will work with her to send the email survey out.

- She had some questions to pose to the group:
 - Question: Do we certify mines, wholesale outlets, or retail outlets?
 - Answer: Mines and the associated storage facilities. There are too many retail outlets to certify.
 - Question: Should we attempt to certify topsoil?
 - Answer: It would be too difficult to certify topsoil, as it comes from all over, not particular mines.
 - Question: Does Clark County want to participate, even though they already have a certification program?
 - Answer: The board is meeting quarterly. They were hesitant to jump in as they don't want to guarantee the gravel. This Monday is the next board meeting. Casey will bring it up again.
 - More about the program: They are working to the NAISMA standards, found here: <https://www.naisma.org/weed-free-gravel>
 - Local weed boards decide to provide the service or not.
 - Question: How do we get the word out about weed free gravel?
 - Answer: WSDA keeps a weed-free hay providers list. The CWMA could have a weed-free provides list available on the website, but ODA is not able to do it.
 - Question: Is there any feedback on the survey?
 - Answer: the questions were redundant between 4 and 7. Michelle will revise that.
- Other feedback
 - Lindsay Karr did an inspection for PGE at an Estacada quarry. The quarry was very interested interest in certification. **Michelle will send the survey to Lindsay to pass to the quarry.**
 - Let Michelle know if you have suggestions for the survey.

Discussion: Glyphosate in the News

Michelle Delepine

Future agenda item: California is listing glyphosate as carcinogenic. What are our fall-back options for herbicides if glyphosate is demonized?

Next Technical & Scientific Review Committee Meeting

September 13th, 2017 11:00 am-12:00 pm
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