Times are Approximate

10:00 a.m. EST  Call to Order and Announcements:  
               Mr. Steve Coleman, Chair

10:05 a.m.     Introductions

10:10 a.m.     Consideration of Minutes

10:15 a.m.     Eden Shale Farm Tour and BMP Overview

Noon          Lunch

1:00 p.m.      Source Water Protection:  
               Mr. Rob Blair, KDOWN Watershed Management Branch

1:30 p.m.      Kentucky Water Resources Board - Discussion on Content of  
               Commonwealth Strategic Water Plan and Project Rankings:  
               Mr. Peter Goodmann, KDOWN

2:00 p.m.      Review of WMWG General Recommendations and BMP Guide:  
               Mr. Steve Coleman

2:30 p.m.      General Discussion

3:00 p.m.      Adjourn
Water Resources Board
Draft Meeting Minutes
February 2, 2017

Board Members in Attendance: Earl Bush (County Judge Executives); Brent Burchett (Proxy, KDA); Steve Coleman (KY Farm Bureau); Lloyd Cress, Jr. (KY League of Cities); Dr. Nancy Cox (UK); John Dix (KRWA); Kate Shanks (Proxy, KY Chamber of Commerce); Charles Snavely (EEC Secretary); Shane Wells (Proxy, KACD);

Board Members Absent: Jared Carpenter (LRC); Kevin Jeffries (Soil and Water Conservation Districts); Kevin Rogers (KY Chamber of Commerce); Ryan Quarles (Commissioner Dept. of Agriculture);

Others in Attendance: Paulette Akers (Director DCA); Adam Andrews (KYCGA); Amy Babey (USACE); Biff Baker (GOAP); Angela Billings (DPH-EMB); Steve Blanford (NRCS); Chloe Brantley (DOW); Brandon Brummet (USACE); Lane Boldman (KY Conservation Committee); Joe Cain (KYFB); Bill Caldwell (DOW); David Chinn (Monty’s Plant Food Co.); Pete Cinotto (USGS); Allison Crawford (KYSEC); Lee Anne Daveine (USACE); Nicole Erwin (OVR); Peter Goodmann (Director DOW); Mike Griffin (USACE); Amanda Gumber (UK-CES); Richard Harrison (ORSANCO); Steve Higgins (UKCAFE); WAYNE Hunt (Hunt Farms); Carey Johnson (DOW); Samantha Kaiser (DOW); Aaron Keatley (Commissioner DEP); Jim Kipp (KWRRI); Allen Kyle (Kyle Farms); Gary Larimore (KRWA); David London (USACE); Hailey McCoy (EEC); Kim Richardson (DOC); Bijaya Shrestha (KWA); Joscoh Sisk (Sisk Farms); Larry Thomas (Farmer); Michael West (EEC-OGC); Karen Woodrich (USDA-NRCS);

The meeting began at 1:05 p.m.

Call Meeting to Order and Roll Call of Board Members

Secretary Snavely called the meeting to order. Peter Goodmann led the roll call of Board members. The Board will need to decide on a member to take the place of Senator McKee.

Introduction of Guests

Secretary Snavely introduced Colonel Chris Beck from the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). He is the Commander of the Louisville District. Colonel Beck introduced his team from the Louisville District.

Guests introduced themselves.

Minutes of November, 2016

The meeting minutes from November were approved by consensus.

Water Resources Discussion with Colonel Chris Beck, USACE

Colonel Beck gave a presentation about the USACE authorities. He discussed the civil works watersheds-based boundary lines which cover five states and are centered in Kentucky. The Louisville District regulates Indiana, Illinois, and Kentucky. The USACE strives to provide consistency in all areas. Budgets vary for different projects and programs. USACE provide funding for individual projects in navigation, flood and storm risk management, aquatic ecosystem restoration, and watershed planning, as well as,
programs in emergency management and regulatory programs. A smaller portion of the budget funds hydropower, recreation, and water supply. Colonel Beck stressed to the Board that though a policy may be authorized does not mean that funds have been appropriated to implement it. The 2016 Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation (WWIN) Act is the newest legislation which incorporated the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA). Several authorities were mentioned and the USACE asked the public to discuss how these authorities can benefit their projects. The Kentucky Silver Jackets is a group of organizations that meet every six weeks to share and leverage information and resources to improve flood risk management across the Commonwealth.

Lee Anne Devine gave a presentation on regulatory updates to the Board. She encourages the public to ask questions and reach out to the USACE. The USACE goal is to work with applicants to get approval and applicants are encouraged to have a pre-project meeting to discuss future projects and applications with the USACE. Most applications are revised before approval. Options with lesser environmental impact receive approval. The key for the applicant is having an open dialogue with USACE. If an approved option cannot be completed, the applicant can discuss other options with the USACE. The main two statutes that are regulated are Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

The Board asked Ms. Devine to further explain what qualifies as a permit exemption and how land owners should be advised on the application process. Ms. Devine reiterated that the USACE encourages anyone with questions to call before beginning a project for which a permit could be required, which is preferable to having the USACE perform a site visit after the project is completed. A written exemption request can be submitted to the USACE and could be issued within 60 days of receipt. If the exemption request is denied it could take up to four months to develop an application and receive an approved permit.

The USACE proposed rule for use of USACE reservoir projects for domestic, municipal and industrial water supplies is currently in the Federal Register and is open for comments until February 14, 2017.

Colonel Beck discussed the Ohio River Basin Comprehensive (ORBC) Plan initiative which is a collaboration of various agencies and stakeholders across 14 states to provide a strategic plan for prioritizing investments in order to efficiently and effectively address water resource related issues using a watershed approach. The Great Lakes Restoration Initiative has received consistent funding while Ohio River Division funds have decreased. The ORBC initiative could help with funding in the Ohio River Basin. The Ohio River Basin Alliance (ORBA) is leading the ORBC initiative and needs to maintain the momentum.

The Board would like a subgroup to continue discussions with Colonel Beck and the USACE. Colonel Beck discussed the challenges with creating a flow chart for possible exemptions and projects that could require permits because each individual project is unique, and cautioned that such a chart could be misleading.

Final Projects Profiles Report

Bill Caldwell (DOW) discussed the final project profile ranking results. The State Water Plan ranked number one. He reminded the Board of the two working committees (technical data committee and roadmap), members of the committees, and the areas of focus.

Motion: (John Dix) To recommend that the Cabinet pursue funding for projects that further the goals of the Water Resources Board to: 
1. Develop technical data and studies that are necessary for the development of a State Water Plan, or
2. Implement additional surface, groundwater or soil moisture monitoring where it is determined to be necessary to quantify and manage water resources for planning purposes including drought monitoring and response; and
3. That the Cabinet will notify the Board as to when the Cabinet pursues funding opportunities and discuss the proposed project with the Water Resources Board at the next Board meeting.

Second: (Steve Coleman)

The Board further discussed the motion until all members understood the motion.

Vote: Unanimous

The two working committees will meet before the next Board meeting.

Open Discussion for Board Members

Mr. Coleman reminded the Board of the Kentucky Farm Bureau Water Management Work Group recommendations.

Public Comment Period

No public comments were made.

Next Meeting

Mr. Goodmann recommended that a future meeting be at Eden Shale. The Kentucky Farm Bureau Water Management Work Group meeting at Eden Shale is April 26, 2017. The Board will communicate through email to confirm meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 3:22 p.m.
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Eden Shale Farm  
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<td>Using ridges and furrows formed by tillage, planting and other farming operations to change the direction of runoff from directly downslope to around the hillside.</td>
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<td>Irrigation System, Microirrigation (441)</td>
<td>An irrigation system for frequent application of small quantities of water on or below the soil surface: as drops, tiny streams, or miniature spray through emitters or applicators placed along a water delivery line.</td>
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<td>A system in which all necessary earthwork, multioutlet pipelines, and water-control structures are installed for distribution of water by surface means, such as furrows, borders, and contour levees, or by subsurface means through water table control.</td>
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<td>An earth embankment, or a combination ridge and channel, constructed across the field slope.</td>
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<td>A structure or device to contain and facilitate an aerobic microbial ecosystem for the decomposition of manure and/or other organic material into a final product sufficiently stable for storage, on farm use and application to land as a soil amendment.</td>
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<td>Establishing permanent vegetation on sites that have, or are expected to have, high erosion rates, and on sites that have physical, chemical, or biological conditions that prevent the establishment of vegetation with normal seeding/planting methods.</td>
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ANTICIPATING FUTURE NEEDS
AND REACTING TO PROBLEMS

Water Resources Board

April 26, 2017

Department for Environmental Protection
Energy and Environment Cabinet

To Protect and Enhance Kentucky's Environment

Kentucky
UNBRIDLED SPIRIT
Research emerging water resource issues including ag production

Address deficiencies in water supplies

Facilitate developing new and reliable water sources for farm production

Recommendations for agricultural water efficiency and conservation

On-farm and rural community drought and water assessment, monitoring and improvement

Process for collection and coordination of data

“Be anticipatory of future needs and reactive to problems” KRS 151.112(c)
Draft Goals: Project Development Plan / a.k.a. Water Plan

- Create and maintain an Inventory the state’s available water resources
- Quantify water demands and project future needs
- Develop mitigation strategies and funding to insure the adequacy and sustainability of agricultural and rural water supplies
- Develop amendments to the state drought plan that strengthen drought assessment, response and mitigation for agriculture
- Develop or expand monitoring networks for climate, hydrologic, water use and other data needed for water resources management
- Create mechanisms for outreach and dialog with individuals and communities to initiate activities related to water efficiency, drought preparedness, and future water needs.
PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND TIMELINE

Data and GAP Analysis – Ag and Rural Water
  • Water Availability – source and infrastructure
  • Water Use and Demand – Ag focused
  • GAP identification – Data Gaps / Water Gaps

Technical Committee Progress Reviews
  May 11, May 31, June 15

June 15 – June 30

Needs Assessment / Solutions / Alternatives
  June 15

Project Development Committee

Project Development
  • From GAP analysis results
    June 15

Project Development Committee

Preliminary Results Report out to Full Board
  July 15
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END
A state water plan will be built upon a series of technical studies or tools. These will be designed to provide decision makers with the necessary data to conceive, develop, prioritize and implement measures that will address existing water supply issues and create a vision for future water resources development for the Commonwealth. Two fundamental areas of technical study are proposed that will be complemented by several lesser projects that together will provide a basis for developing a state water plan (see attached presentation from the October Board meeting for process overview).

Water Availability

A statewide water availability assessment will be performed at a planning unit level to inventory the regional water sources and assess annual and seasonal surplus and deficit based on hydrological records, models or other methods and known withdrawal and instream flow demands.

Demand Forecasting

Projecting future water demands for water supply, agriculture, industry, mining, energy production and other needs is a key part of developing a long-term vision for the state’s water resources. Reliable projections for water demands combined with a water availability assessment will be used to identify gap areas where water demands may exceed supply, serving as the basis for water plan development.

Other related projects and studies

Drought Risk Assessment: a drought risk assessment will be developed by the Division of Water in 2017. One of the principal water use sectors included in the assessment will be agricultural drought risk based on regional vulnerability to drought in crop and animal production operations. Data from this assessment may inform both the Water Availability and Demand Forecasting technical studies. This project is funded by a grant from FEMA.

Aquifer Designation: developed for all regulated groundwater withdrawals in Kentucky, or for a region in a pilot study. Data and methods developed for this study are expected to contribute to more detailed characterization studies of aquifers that are or may become high-use aquifers, most notably in the Jackson Purchase area. This study will be proposed as part of a USGS Water Use Data and Reporting grant (WUDR) in cooperation with KGS.

Water Tracking: Tracking the various uses of water that produced by the state’s 397 Public water systems (PWS). Treated water is used for domestic, commercial, industrial, mining, agricultural and other purposes. This study will include an assessment of the demands that may be placed on PWS by livestock water demand, especially under seasonal high demand or drought conditions. It is anticipated that this study can be funded by leveraging funds from a WUDR grant with other funding sources.
Status of KGS KY Groundwater Observation Network Sites (April 2017)

KGON wells:
- Green: Well established as long-term water-level monitoring site.
- Red: Well evaluated but rejected as monitoring site.
- Blue: Well being considered or under investigation.

Other Monitoring:
- Pink Triangle: New karst spring monitoring site.
Source Water Protection Planning

• Select Planning Committee – community representation

• Delineate Protection Zones – contributing areas of Water Supply Source(s)

• Contaminant Source Inventory – identify potential contaminant sources in protection areas

• Develop Management Strategies – regulatory, BMP, E & O

• Contingency Planning – drought, contamination, alternatives

• Implementation – management strategies, review & update plan
KY Public Water Supplies - Groundwater

Nearly 100 Water Systems
Population Served ~ 400,000
KY Public Water Supplies – Surface Water

Source Water Protection Areas in Kentucky

Nearly 300 Systems

Population Served ~ 4,000,000
Moving Forward with SWP in KY

- Source Water Protection Assistance Program

- Collaboration and Partnerships
  - CWA 319(h) funding and Watershed Plans
  - Area Development Districts – Water Management Councils
  - Individual Water Systems
  - Other agencies

- Evaluate/Update SWP for Surface Water Systems
  - Focus on Management and Implementation

- Promote programs and assistance at workshops and meetings throughout Kentucky
Source Water Protection Assistance Program Projects

- 2016: 4 projects @ $150k
- 2015: 5 projects @ $145k
- 2014: 4 projects @ $85k

Basin Management Units:
- Big & Little Sandy
- Four Rivers & Cumberland
- Kentucky
- Salt & Licking
- Green & Tradewater

Map of Kentucky showing projects in various locations:
- Hawesville WW
- Hardin Co WD #1
- Green River Valley WD
- Wingo WS
- Carrollton Utilities
- Trimble Co. WD
- Georgetown WS
- Augusta RWTP
- Western Lewis-Rectorville
- Mount Sterling WS
Collaboration and Partnerships

- Watershed Planning Areas (CWA 319)
- Source Water Protection Zones
  - Surface Water Systems
  - Groundwater Systems
Water Supply Planning and Kentucky Area Development Districts (ADD)

Regional planning for water supplies and source water protection is coordinated by the ADDs. The ADDs work in conjunction with numerous partners, including the Division of Water, to insure safe and reliable water supplies are available to all citizens of the Commonwealth.

Click on your area of interest to be directed to the appropriate website.
Collaboration and Partnerships

Other government and non-government agencies

• EPA and Region 4 states
  - SWP meeting to share ideas and discuss programs

• Association of State Drinking Water Administrators
  - Information exchange

• Drinking Water Advisory Council
  - Direct interaction with regulated community

• Kentucky Rural Water Association
  - SWP plan development and water system assistance
  - Meetings, trainings and workshops
SWP Evaluation and Updates

Albany Water Works Intake at Lake Cumberland

Original Intake

Albany WW
Pop Served – 15,000
SWP and Agricultural Connections

**Monitoring**

- Drinking water supply assessments
  - Adequacy and reliability

- Water withdrawal permitting relies on similar info
  - Monthly withdrawal reporting to DOW

- Limited collaboration with KGS Groundwater Level Observation Network
SWP and Agricultural Connections

Analysis of Water Use and Information Needs

- Water system production and demand info
- Technical assistance to rural water systems
  - Often in tandem with KRWA
- Planning for expansion and future demand
- Public awareness and involvement are keys to SWP success
SWP and Agricultural Connections

Water Resource Development and Tech Assistance

• Efficiency programs for new facilities/infrastructure may have some utility

• Technical assistance for SWP may not directly apply, but we are an available resource
Drought Mitigation and Response

• Part of coordination between water users

• Part of coordination and information exchange within and between agencies

• Technical assistance for SWP may not directly apply, but we are an available resource
SWP and Agricultural Connections

Communications & Outreach

- Major part of our efforts – water suppliers, communities, local/regional governments
- Collaboration and partnerships
- SWP is an element of comprehensive water management planning
Water Resource Development Act

• Section 7104 – SWP implementation is an eligible use of SRF
Closing Thoughts

• Recent national and local events highlight need for SWP
  - Elk River, WV spill (MCHM)
  - HABs on Ohio River (other DW sources)
  - State/Local land use proposals
  - Increased treatment costs

• Successful SWP through partnerships:
  - Government (federal, state and local)
  - Water Systems
  - Communities

• Unique drinking water supplies require individualized assessment, planning and implementation
Questions?

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