

Regional Water and Sewer Consolidated Functions Subcommittee Meeting

Tri-County Council Multi-Purpose Center, Salisbury, Maryland

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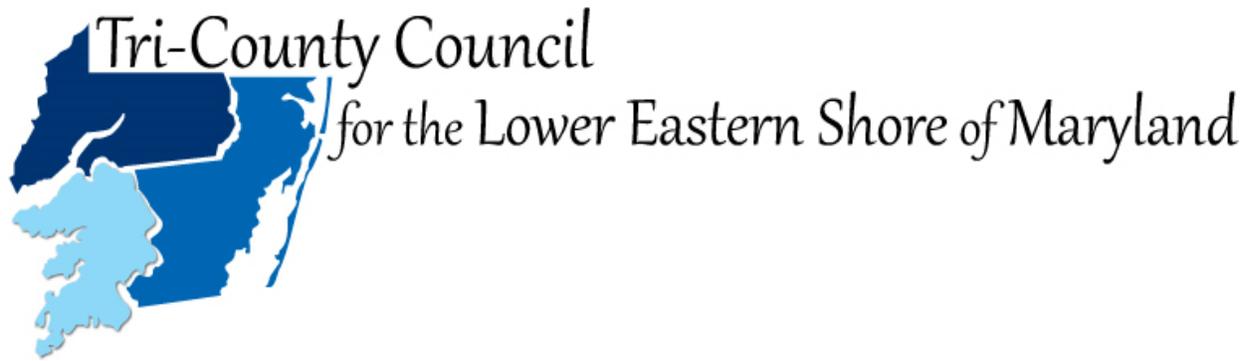
Minutes

Persons Present:

Larry Dodd, Wicomico County Council, Gregory Padgham, Executive Director, Tri-County Council; John Redden, Jr., Somerset County Engineer, Anthony Stockus, General Manager, Somerset County Sanitary District, Inc.; David Bradford, Jr., Worcester County Deputy Director of DoE Programs; Pat Schrawder, District Representative for Senator Mary Beth Carozza, Tracey Gordy, Director, Lower Eastern Shore Maryland Regional Office, Department of Planning, Monique Snyder, Communications Platform Developer, Brenda Howard, Executive Coordinator, Tri-County Council.

Chairman Larry Dodd opened the subcommittee meeting at 11:10 a.m. Introductions were made around the room. Greg Padgham thanked Ms. Gordy for joining the meeting. He summarized the overarching focus is to develop a general 20 to 30-page statement with an economic development focus that demonstrates efforts on a regional level to identify water and sewer resources, needs and planning for the purpose of enhancing opportunities for funding to each area. Brenda Howard will email Ms. Gordy minutes to date for her review. He explained the subject matter specialists in the subcommittee were currently creating a brief snapshot inventory of water and sewer resources in each county, the current capacity of those resources, and identifying the parameters affecting their capacity to meet the needs of growth in the area.

Although Mr. John Ross was unable to attend the meeting, he forwarded a map identifying the public systems in Worcester County with a summary of those systems. Mr. David Bradford reported the number of private septic systems and wells in Worcester County (including



agricultural irrigation wells). He advised he would merge his information with Mr. Ross' report for presentation to the Full Committee on January 23rd.

Mr. Stockus explained he was unable to report on Crisfield or ECI inasmuch as they do not fall under the jurisdiction of Somerset County Sanitary District. Somerset currently has four treatment plants in operation with plans to decommission two in the future. He advised that although he cannot attend the meeting on January 23rd, he will submit a report identifying and summarizing the resources in Somerset County prior the meeting.

Ms. Gordy advised she would be able to give an inventory of the Priority Funding Areas in the region and share how to access that information online. Tier Maps are also an important planning tool. It was recommended that planned growth correlate with the Sustainable Growth and Agricultural Preservation Act of 2012 (septics law) and take in consideration the parameters of Priority Funding Areas.

The group decided that for the full committee meeting on January 23rd a number of persons will present a brief infrastructure inventory. Ms. Gordy will give a separate presentation on Priority Funding Areas and their relationship to growth. Overlay maps as visual aid will be employed.

The meeting adjourned.