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Garber-Wellington Association*

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Piedmont Councilmember

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Executive Director  
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## AGENDA

**GARBER-WELLINGTON ASSOCIATION  
POLICY COMMITTEE  
September 29, 2005 (Thursday) 2:30 P.M.  
(or immediately following the ACOG Board of Director's Meeting)**

ACOG CONFERENCE ROOM  
21 EAST MAIN, SUITE 100, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

- I. CALL TO ORDER - Roll Call
- II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ([Attachment III](#))  
**Action Requested:** Motion to approve minutes of the August 18, 2005 meeting.
- IV. STAFF REPORT
  - A. **ACOG DO TMDL Project** –Staff will review the draft dissolved oxygen TMDL on the North Canadian River.  
**Action Requested: None, for information only.**
  - B. **Stormwater Public Education Programming for Phase II Communities** ([Attachment IV](#))  
**Action Requested: None, for information only.**
- V. PROGRESS REPORT ([Attachment V](#))
- VI. NEW BUSINESS
- VII. ADJOURNMENT

## MINUTES

GARBER-WELLINGTON ASSOCIATION  
POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

August 18, 2005

The fifth regularly scheduled meeting of the Garber-Wellington Association Policy Committee for the calendar year 2005 was convened on August 18, 2005 in the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG) Board Room, 21 E. Main Street, Suite 100, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The meeting was held as indicated by advance notice filed with the Oklahoma County Clerk and by notice posted at the ACOG offices at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.

PRESIDINGCITY/AGENCY

Hon. John Brown, Councilmember

Piedmont

POLICY COMMITTEE PRESENT

Hon. Grant Hedrick, Commissioner

Canadian County

Hon. Dave Howe, Councilmember

Choctaw

Hon. Ken Bartlett, Councilmember

Del City

Hon. Saundra Gragg Naifeh, Mayor

Edmond

Hon. Lewis Pringle, Trustee

Forest Park

Hon. Charles Joyner, Councilmember

Midwest City

Hon. Kathy McMillan, Councilmember

Moore

Hon. Chad McDowell, Councilmember

Mustang

Hon. David Hopper, Councilmember

Norman

Hon. Willa Johnson, Councilmember

Oklahoma City

Hon. Leslie Owens, Councilmember

Warr Acres

GUESTS PRESENT

Hon. Ray Poland, Trustee

Jones

Hon. Linda Daniels, Acting Mayor

Slaughterville

Hon. Alma Pringle, Town Clerk

Forest Park

ACOG STAFF PRESENTPOSITION

Zach D. Taylor

Executive Director

John M. Harrington

Division Director, Water Resources

Jane Sutter

Division Director, IGS

Debbie Cook  
Don Bown  
John G. Johnson  
Douglas Rex  
Ellen Owens

Director of Finance and Budget  
Consultant  
Consultant  
Assistant to the Executive Director  
Division Secretary, Water Resources

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman John Brown called the meeting to order at 2:50 p.m., noting that a quorum was present.

II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The aforementioned guests were present at the meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Willa Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2005 meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Grant Hedrick and carried with the following vote:

AYE: Brown, Hedrick, Howe, Bartlett, Naifeh, Pringle, Joyner, McMillan, McDowell, Hopper, Johnson, and Owens

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

IV. STAFF REPORT

John Harrington informed the Committee that staff is currently monitoring twelve sites in southern Logan and northern Oklahoma Counties for pathogens and also looking at the turbidity in various creeks. He gave a presentation showing the Cottonwood Creek basin and the Chisolm Creek sub-basin with colors representing the water quality indicators at or below standards. Mr. Harrington commented that the sites at Deer Creek and Chisolm Creek are above water quality standards and said that this tends to correlate well with urbanization. He mentioned that turbidity is also a water quality concern. He said that several creeks that were considered to be violating water quality standards are not, but that further east, there are more water quality violations. He said there is a contact between the Hennessey shale and the Garber sandstone and virtually every site that has been seen that is on Hennessey shale has no turbidity, but everything on the Garber has turbidity. Mr. Harrington concluded saying that he is halfway through this project and that it will be completed October 1<sup>st</sup> with the finalized report completed in late December.

Director McDowell asked if turbidity is caused by earth being moved? Mr. Harrington said moving earth will cause sediment and turbidity, with high total suspended and dissolved solids.

Director Owens asked if the Stormwater public education video would be available on DVD? Mr. Harrington said there are copies of tapes available for all who would like to have one.

V. PROGRESS REPORT

Director Brown asked when the Arsenic Report would be distributed. Mr. Harrington said it could be distributed any time. Director Brown then asked if Mr. Harrington would make a presentation on the Arsenic Report to the various city councils and Mr. Harrington replied in the affirmative.

Director Hopper said approval was given to buy a piece of equipment for the salt flume study being done in Edmond and asked if the purpose of this equipment is to find the source of the salt flume? Mr. Harrington said yes and that, specifically, in Thunderhead Hills, we want a detailed idea of where half the flume is. It is not known where it is coming from as there are no wells there. He said there are two other locations in the Lake Arcadia watershed that will also be studied.

Director Brown commented that cities in the Garber-Wellington have received a lot of bad press lately on the arsenic issue. He asked if there were any way to get information out to the Oklahoman as to what the cities are doing to take care of this problem? Mr. Harrington said he had spoken to both the Oklahoman and the Edmond Sun. He said there were articles in both newspapers on arsenic taken specifically from a report from the OU Health Sciences Center. Jane Sutter said that Mr. Harrington could do further research on what the individual cities are doing to solve their arsenic problems and then issue a press release.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business discussed at the meeting.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Director Brown made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Director McMillan and the meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** September 29, 2005

**TO:** Garber-Wellington Policy Committee

**FROM:** Jerry Church, Programs Coordinator: Communications

**SUBJECT:** Stormwater Public Education Programming for Phase II Communities

**INFORMATION:**

One of the primary minimum control measures that the Environmental Protection Agency requires regarding EPA Phase II municipal stormwater regulations is public education and outreach.

ACOG is currently managing a regional public education program for 17 affected entities in Central Oklahoma.

Recently, ACOG staff acquired inventories of two VHS-video cassettes that detail stormwater remediation planning for municipal water officials and administration. The videos were produced by the Environmental Protection Agency and will be distributed free of charge to all Phase II communities in the region. The videos can be shown to staff, civic groups and other applicable audiences. The video distribution will be noted as a component of the overall public education program.

The video tapes will be mailed by the end of this month. Those requesting additional copies should contact Jerry Church or John Harrington, ACOG.

**ACTION REQUESTED:** None, for information only.

## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Garber-Wellington Policy Committee  
**FROM:** John M. Harrington, Division Director, Water Resources  
**DATE:** September 29, 2005  
**RE:** Progress Report

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A geochemical model for a North Canadian DO model is currently in preparation. Draft TMDL report due out late September.

Pathogen sampling project has commenced. A rather wet June played some havoc with stream gauging, but a hot July has the stream levels down to normal now. Preliminary data suggests that pathogen impairment is an endemic problem, with the exception of parts of Cottonwood Creek. Staff is researching methodology for generating frequency curves in non-gauged streams.

Earth resistivity imaging system contracts have been signed; system is being manufactured and should be available in mid-October for delivery.

Stormwater public education campaign will be commencing next month. ACOG is delivering the video from EPA - "After the Storm - A Citizen's Guide to Understanding Stormwater" for free to our members.