

Hinkson Creek  
Collaborative Adaptive Management  
Stakeholder Committee  
September 27, 2021 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM  
Virtual – Microsoft Teams

Online/Phone: EPA Facilitator Chrisi Means, Jeanine Pagan, Diane Oerly, Tim Rielly, Leanne Tippett-Mosbey, Todd Houts, Commissioner Justin Aldred, Tom Trabue, Councilman Karl Skala, Dee Dokken

Absent: Nathan Odle, Paul Mehrle, Jay Turner, Della Streaty-Wilhoit, Frank Gordon, Susan Hart

Online/Phone Guests: Nicki Rinehart, Lynne Hooper, Michele Woolbright, Tom Wellman, Jon White, EPA 319 Coordinator Amanda Reed, Erin Keys

**1. Welcome to Process, Participants and Introductions**

Introduction of Stakeholders and guests

Chrisi announced that she will be stepping down as the EPA facilitator. Amanda Reed will be taking Chrisi's place as facilitator.

**2. Approval of previous meeting minutes**

A Trabue/Rielly motion to approve the June 16, 2021 meeting minutes was made and passed unanimously.

**3. Missouri Department of Natural Resources Updates**

Tim Rielly reported that MDNR's interim director will be Dru Buntin.

**4. Science Team Updates**

Tim Rielly will be leaving the Science Team and Robert Voss, the Assessment Monitoring Chief, will be taking his place.

Synoptic Sampling - Tim Rielly stated Dan Obrecht and students were out collecting their 4<sup>th</sup> sample. There are 40 sampling sites. The next collection will be in December.

LiDAR Analysis – Lynne Hooper stated the County's GIS department is getting ready to start on work. Hopefully there will be some raw data soon to share with the Science Team, and then the Science Team can figure out how to package that information for the Stakeholders and Action Team.

Dr. Zeiger's Gauging Stations - Tim Rielly shared that Dr. Shawn Zeiger, Lincoln University, will be reinstalling gauging stations along Hinkson Creek. He is installing level loggers to measure stage. He will be adding conductants to one or two. Dr. Zeiger is looking for funding for conductivity meters for real-time data. It would be useful data for tracking trends in Hinkson Creek. Diane asked how much money Dr. Zeiger needs. Tim was not sure about equipment or maintenance costs but will find out.

Chloride Study – The Science Team plans to meet with the Action Team to see which direction needs to be taken, where to gear studies, costs, site locations, best management practices etc. before we start writing any proposals.

USGS Chemical Analysis – The three-party intergovernmental agreement is on City Council agenda and with MU for approval. Once the County receives signed agreement it will go through County Commission. The project is on track for completion in 2022. Tom Trabue asked how much money was being spent on this project. Nicki Rinehart stated each entity is paying just over \$25,000.00 each and the USGS is contributing approximately \$135,000.00. Dee Dokken asked if the \$25,000 was coming out of the \$50,000 that City Council just budgeted for CAM? Erin Keys stated the money was coming out of the Stormwater Utility operating budget, not the capital improvement projects budget marked for CAM.

Tim shared that the next Science Team will be held October 5, 2021. The Science Team will be hosting a solid waste presentation by City staff.

The Science Team is pondering who should replace Dr. Ennis from MU.

## **5. Action Team Updates**

Nicki Rinehart stated Michele has been in discussion with the City Channel about editing the presentations from the All-Team meetings to make them more accessible to the public. The City Channel is very short staffed and thinks it would be best to do summary videos or hire someone to do an abridged version of the videos. Lynne Hooper will be working on writing transcripts of the videos.

Proposed Stakeholder Replacements Update – Nicki Rinehart stated staff had reached out to several individuals to gauge their interest in serving on the Stakeholder committee. The joint partners, County Commission, and City Council approved the appointments of Leanne Tippett-Mosby and Susan Hart. Bill Florea is attempting to contact Rob Wolverton and Erin Keys is attempting to contact Travis McGee to gauge interest for the third seat. Diane Oerly asked which interest groups Leanne and Susan are representing. Nicki stated Leanne and Susan were replacing Ben Londeree with Smart Growth and Mark Farnen with Economic Development Council, both now defunct.

Chrisi invited Leanne Tippett-Mosby to speak. Leanne have the group her background. She worked for the Department of Natural Resources for 22 years. Her last six years at DNR were spent as the Director of the Division of Environmental Quality.

Chloride Task Force – Michele is in the process of establishing a plan and goals for the task force to create buy-in from members. Michele would like to have a strategic plan created by the end of November 2021 and have the first task force meeting in March 2022. If anyone has suggestions or is interested in helping with the task force, please contact Michele.

Forum Nature Area Signage – Tom Wellman, City of Columbia, is working on signage for the Forum Nature Area level spreader project.

## **6. Riparian Subcommittee Updates**

Lynne Hooper stated it has been difficult to get everyone together to resume RCPP discussions. Initially, one of the primary sources of match was going to be conservation easements, working with Green Belt Land Trust. Contact with landowners in the corridor has been slow to get started, so the group is kicking around ideas for potential programs that can be done for more urban landowners for managing riparian corridors. Lynne will provide an update at the next Stakeholder meeting.

## **7. New Business**

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Hinkson Creek 319 Grant Proposal – Lynne Hooper stated the County plans to get the application done in early 2022.

2020 Annual Report – Nicki Rinehart sent the annual report for final review to Stakeholders. Tom Trabue asked if we were missing an opportunity to recognize projects the private sector is doing and suggested adding a statement to acknowledge that work. Todd Houts doesn't think the appendix is the appropriate place and suggested having someone from the private sector give a presentation about what they've been doing and report on that in 2021. Jeanine Pagan thought a presentation from the private side would be helpful. Diane Oerly would like to revisit what the City and County ordinances are. Tom Trabue made a motion for approval of the 2020 Annual Report with a wording correction pointed out by Todd and looking at a way to acknowledge the private sector in the 2021 report. Diane Oerly seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

### **9. Collaborative Adaptive Management Committee Discussion of Next Steps**

Updates will be provided at the next Stakeholder meeting for the LiDAR Analysis, UGSG Chemical Analysis, chloride study(s), and Chloride Task Force. Nicki Rinehart will make the 2020 Annual Report edits for the next meeting. Karl is going to contact the city planning department to see about private projects. Tom Trabue is going to reach out to the consultant community about potential projects.

## **10. Adjournment**

A Trabue/Houts motion to adjourn passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicki Rinehart