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STATE RECLAMATION AND MOSQUITO CONTROL BOARD (SRMCB)

Subject: Summary Meeting Minutes

Date / Time: Wednesday, October 31, 2007 @ 10:00 AM

Place: UMASS Eastern Extension Center
240 Beaver Street, Waltham, MA

Attendees:
SRMCB Board:

Mark Buffone, Department of Agricultural Resources /SRMCB, Chairman
Glenn Haas, Department of Environmental Protection / SRMCB Member
Anne Monnelly, Department of Conservation and Recreation / SRMCB Member
Alisha Bouchard, SRMCB, Projects Administrator

Mosquito Control Project Commissions:

Peter Mirandi, Northeast MA Mosquito Control & Wetlands District Commission
Christine A. Fagan, Bristol County Mosquito Control Commission

Mosquito Control Project Directors/Superintendents / Assistants:

Walt Montgomery, Northeast MA Mosquito Control & Wetlands Management District
Jack Card, Northeast MA Mosquito Control & Wetlands Management District
Emily Sullivan, Northeast MA Mosquito Control & Wetlands Management District
Tim Deschamps, Central MA Mosquito Control Project
Tim McGlinchy, Central MA Mosquito Control Project
Ray Zucker, Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project
Wayne Andrews, Bristol County Mosquito Control Project
Priscilla Matton, Bristol County Mosquito Control Project
David Henley, East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project
John Smith, Norfolk County Mosquito Control Project
Caroline Haviland, Norfolk County Mosquito Control Project
Bruce Landers, Suffolk County Mosquito Control Project

Others: Robert Thorndike, Public Citizen
Mary Ann DiPinto, MA Department of Environmental Protection
Michael Stroman, MA Department of Environmental Protection
Kimberly King, Vector Borne Disease Corporation

1.0: Call to Order and Attendance.

- 1.1: Chairman, Mark Buffone began the meeting welcoming everyone, officially opening the meeting at 10:11AM and stated that the meeting was being held at UMASS Eastern Extension Center, 240 Beaver Street in Waltham, MA. Also, he announced the meeting has been posted accordingly at both the Secretary of States office and the Executive Office of Administration and Finance pursuant to the Open Meeting Law.
- 1.2: The Chairman noted three members of the Board were present allowing for a quorum for voting purposes; each Board member was introduced including the newest Board member Anne Monnelly. After acknowledging and thanking those in attendance the Chairman asked those in attendance to sign the attendance sheeting; noting that the Board would like to maintain the attendance sheet as part of the record.

2.0: Vote to Approve September 17, 2007 Minutes.

- 2.1: Chairman Buffone proceeded to agenda item #2 calling for the Board to vote to accept minutes / summary for meeting held on September 17, 2007.
- 2.2: Questions and Discussions: None.
- 2.3: **Action Taken:** Glenn Haas made a motion to approve the minutes. Motion seconded by Anne Monnelly and voted unanimously to approve.

3.0: Discuss and Consider Vote to Approve: Best Management Practices and Guidance for Work in Inland Freshwater Wetlands draft document.

- 3.1: Background: Chairman Buffone stated that agenda item #3 was for a page-by-page review of the current working draft of the Best Management Practices (BMP) and Guidance for Work in Inland Freshwater Wetlands document. The Chairman pointed out that the BMP document is close to getting approved. Following today's discussion and review the Board would like to consider a vote to approve the BMP document. The latest version of the BMP draft document was distributed for review.
- 3.2: Questions / Discussions: Meeting participants discussed, reviewed and made recommendations in the various areas of the BMP document including but not limited to the following referenced BMP sections / pages:

Page 3: Review use of the term Integrated Pest Management (IPM) vs. Integrated Mosquito Management (IMM). Stay with the term IPM; IPM definition includes wetlands management as an integral part of an IPM Program.

Page 4: End the sentence at Chapter 252; deleting "and other relevant laws."

*Other: *Notification of property owners; Mosquito Control Districts (MCD) should issue appropriate notifications.*

*Page 8: MCD's and DEP should work cooperatively.
Notifications - should be a separate issue to be discussed instead of part of the BMP document.

Page 10: *Regarding inclusion of Chap. 91 reference.
Chap. 91 Training - during Arbovirus mtgs. Also, is there a way Districts could file some kind of generic document? Where we are going to be working together; lets look at a ways to help make it easier for MCD's to comply.

Completing a Site Plan; leave in the term "each site where mechanized wetlands management"

**Work further on clarifying vegetation, trees, etc. What is ok for MCD's to do? Example: cutting w/ tools, etc.?*

Page 13: **Notification; see above pages 4 & 8 notes.*

Page 18/19: *Storm water management; get rid of everything on storm water; just keep second and last paragraph (delete "mosquito larval habitat") with reference to new DEP storm water handbook forthcoming.*

Question: Is there more education need regarding maintaining storm water?

3.3: **Action Taken:** Glenn Haas made a motion that the Board submits to MEPA the proposed revisions of the Best Management Practices and amendments made at today's meeting for further public comment and update to the GEIR. Motion seconded by Mark Buffone and voted unanimously to approve.

3.4: Further Questions / Discussions: Additional BMP Comments.

Various comments provided by; Emily Sullivan regarding:

Page 3: Insert "potential" three lines up.

Page 5: Last one "as recorded" and strike "field notes, etc."

Page 6: Reference to federal programs; laws may not apply.

Recommend the following but not limited (to be listed):

Page 17: At the term 'mulching limits' stop at mechanically.

Various comments provided by; Anne Monnelly regarding:

Page 4/5: Important steps; think about if you should list them to be clear.

3.5: Chairman Buffone asks any more questions or comments; hearing none.

3.6: **Action Taken:** Motion cited in 3.3 approved unanimously.

4.0: **Vote to Approve 2008 SRMCB Meeting Dates.**

4.1: Chairman Buffone proceeded to agenda item #4 for the Board to vote to approve recommended 2008 SRMCB *meeting dates as listed below:

January 16th, 2008

March 19th, 2008

May 21st, 2008

October 15th, 2008

**Board meetings fall on the 3rd Wednesday of the month stated above.*

- 4.2: Questions and Discussions: None.
- 4.3: **Action Taken:** Mark Buffone made a motion to approve the 2008 SRMCB Meeting Dates. Motion seconded by Glenn Haas and voted unanimously to approve.
- 5.0: **Other Business / Announcements:**
 - 5.1: Annual Northeast Mosquito Control Meeting, Plymouth, MA
 - 5.2: Commissioner Interviews for Commissioners whose term expires November 30,2007; letters have been mailed to Commissioners. Next set of interviews will be around the January 2008 meeting.
 - 5.3: Administrative Update: DAR/SRMCB information meeting with HRD:
 - a. Job descriptions have been requested by HRD of MCD's positions.
 - b. Moving towards standardizing titles and job descriptions.
 - 5.4: Kim King: Fight the Bite upcoming poster contest. We are trying to get MA schools to participate. Recommend talking to DPH; they may have outreach to the schools.
- 6.0: **Adjournment.**
 - 6.1: Background: The Chairman asked if there were any other comments or questions before the Board officially adjourns the meeting.
 - 6.2: Questions and Discussions: None.
 - 6.3: **Action Taken:** Glenn Haas made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 AM. The motion was seconded by Anne Monnelly and voted unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Alisha Bouchard, Projects Administrator
And Mark S. Buffone, Chairman