

Mystic River Watershed Steering Committee

Agenda – June 4, 2015

9:30-12:30 pm

EPA Region 1: 5 Post Office Sq. Boston MA, 02109

Keough Rm, 1st Floor

- A. Greetings and Introductions 5 minutes
- B. Approval/Corrections of Minutes (April 2015) 5 Minutes
- C. Updates Announcements from Members 5 Minutes
- D. Sub Group Reports 5 Minutes
- E. Urban Waters Grant Recipients Progress Presentations with Q&A. 40 Minutes
 - i. Mystic River Watershed Association
MyRWA has promoted green infrastructure in three environmental justice communities bordering the Malden River through education, outreach, GIS analysis, modeling of pollutant source and loads, development of a low impact development (LID) technical document, and analysis of zoning/ordinance.
 - ii. Alternatives for Community & Environment, Inc.
ACE has partnered with the Chelsea Creek Action Group (CCAG) to assist environmental justice communities in implementing their Chelsea Creek Community Improvement Plan
- F. Break 5 Minutes
- G. Urban Waters Federal Partnership Presentation 40 Minutes
 - i. Urban Waters Federal Partnership Program Overview
Caroline Klos, from EPA headquarters in Washington DC, will present on the scope and intent of the national program to which the Mystic River Watershed was appointed in 2013
 - ii. Greater Philadelphia Area/Delaware River Watershed
Michael Leff of the Philadelphia Area/ Delaware River Watershed Federal Partnership will discuss the successes, challenges, and organizational strategies of the federal partnership in the Greater Philadelphia area.
- H. Discussion- Progress and Action for the Federal Partnership 60 Minutes (or more)
 - a. What kind of work are the agencies involved in in the Mystic River Watershed now?
Representatives from ACoE, EPA, FEMA, HUD, USFS and USGS will discuss their current projects in the watershed.
 - b. How to include agencies in the work of the Steering Committee
 - i. Open space municipal grant meeting (summer 2015)
Intended to highlight grant opportunities for open space development from federal and state agencies
 - ii. Watershed-wide open space planning
 - iii. Phosphorus studies/TMDL work
 - c. Facilitated Project Brainstorm
 - i. What other partners, agencies or NGO's, could be useful for us in the future
 - ii. What projects would the stakeholders like to see in the watershed?
 - iii. How are the Federal Partners able to contribute to those ideas
- I. New Business 5 Minutes
- J. Next meeting and other next steps 10 minutes
- K. Adjournment