



**Charlotte Harbor National Estuary Program
Management Committee
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Members Present:

Joan Bush	CHNEP CAC
Warren Bush	CHNEP CAC
Alton Cheatham	Charlotte County Soil & Water
David Dale	National Marine Fisheries Service SE
Erin Dykes	FDEP – South District
Lizanne Garcia	SWFWMD, Resource Management Dept.
Joy Hazell	FL Sea Grant – Lee County
Bob Howard	USEPA, Region 4
Patrick Martin	F&W Ding Darling NWR
Molly Meadows	SWFWMD
Jack Merriam	Sarasota County
Jennifer Nelson	FDEP
Joe Ortolona	City of Fort Myers Public Works Dept.
Roland Ottolini	Lee County Natural Resources
Betty Staugler	FL Sea Grant – Charlotte County Extension

Also Present:

Lisa Beever	CHNEP
Catherine Corbett	CHNEP
Liz Donley	CHNEP
Maran Hilgendorf	CHNEP
Nichole Gwinnett	SWFRPC

Agenda Item #1 - Call to Order and Introductions – Meeting was called to order by Bob Howard, Co-Chairman at 9:32 a.m. Introductions were made.

Agenda Item #2. Agenda Additions or Deletions – Bob Howard, Co-Chairman

No changes were made to the agenda, so the agenda was accepted as presented.

Agenda Item #3 – Public Comments on Agenda Items – Bob Howard, Co-Chairman

No public comments were made at this time.

Agenda Item #4 – Management Committee November 2, 2007 Minutes

MS. GARCIA MOVED AND MR. CHEATHAM SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 2, 2007. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.



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Agenda Item #5 – CCMP Update – Lisa Beaver

During their last meeting on November 2, the Management Committee recommended conceptual approval of the Draft Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP). The Policy Committee conceptually approved the CCMP Update on November 19, with the addition of a policy action concerning climate change.

The most recent CCMP update (color edition) is on our FTP site at: <ftp://ftp.swfrpc.org>

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The PDF document is under CCMP Update.

Note: for IE7, the user should click Page, and then click Open FTP Site in Windows Explorer.

The conceptual approval of the CCMP Update was significant because the document became the guidance for the program. The new language has become very useful, allowing staff in early 2008 to:

- Complete a questionnaire by ICF International is working under a contract from EPA's Office of Atmospheric Programs, Climate Change Division, in cooperation with the Office of Wetlands, Oceans and Watersheds, Oceans and Coastal Protection Division to support their work to design and implement a *Climate Ready Estuaries* program to support National Estuary Programs (NEPs) as they address climate change in their estuaries. (SG-Q)
- Send information and letter of support for Battelle to seek funds from the Department of Defense to develop a climate change decision support to aid local governments. (SG-Q)
- Send a letter requesting more additional information on the CF Industry's South Pasture Mine permit modification to include a reservoir. (HA-K)
- Respond with more certainty to the CAC as they recommended a Workshop on Reservoirs. (HA-K)

TAC asked that Map 25-Sea Level Rise be moved from the Vision section to the appropriate priority action (SG-Q), that the maps level be tied to underlying land use rather than likely human response, and vision language be modified accordingly.

TAC and CAC recommended approval of the CCMP update.

Dr. Beaver announced that there will be a Signing Ceremony held for the CCMP at Laishley Park in Punta Gorda on March 24th, immediately following the Policy Committee meeting.

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Ms. Hilgendorf explained that once the CCMP is adopted the document will go to the State Clearinghouse for the review process.

MR. BUSH MOVED AND MR. MERRIAM SECONDED TO RECOMMEND ADOPTION OF THE *CCMP UPDATE*. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. COMPENDIUM OF EXISTING MONITORING PROGRAMS

In 1997, CHNEP published its *Compendium of Existing Monitoring Programs in the Greater Charlotte Harbor Watershed*. Tom Fraser and Ralph Montgomery were contracted to prepare the report. Because the Compendium pre-dated the original CCMP, several monitoring programs that are not closely tied to the final (and updated) CCMP are included. In addition, several programs that were established since that time to implement the CCMP were (of course) not included.

Staff reviewed the draft Environmental Indicators Report update and identified key monitoring programs that the CHNEP relies upon. Janicki Environmental, under contract with Sarasota County, developed a structure to catalog monitoring programs that is similar to but goes beyond the CHNEP 1997 Compendium. Staff used this structure to prepare a database of critical monitoring programs to track CCMP implementation and to update the Compendium.

This database may be an excellent start to serving databases over our website because it is relatively small.

TAC and CAC recommended approval of the compendium and hosting the database on our website.

Ms. Garcia asked what is involved. Ms. Hilgendorf explained the advantages to the Compendium of Existing Monitoring Programs database.

Co-Chairman Howard asked if it is the NEP's intention to retrieve the data from their base sources and house it on the server or is it to merely house it on the server the information about the database. Dr. Beaver replied the latter along with the link.

Ms. Garcia noted that there needs to be data quality definitions.

Ms. Dykes asked if the various agencies would be able to make updates to the database. Dr. Beaver explained that at the beginning, the database would be closed to outside agencies; however, our goal is with the project tracing database that eventually the agencies would be able to log-in and be able to update their own information.



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MS. GARCIA MOVED AND MR. MERRIAM SECONDED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE COMPENDIUM OF EXISTING MONITORING PROGRAMS UPDATE AND HOSTING THE DATABASE AT WWW.CHNEP.ORG. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. STATE OF THE ESTUARIES AND WATERSHEDS AND CONSERVANCY REPORT CARD

In 2005, CHNEP contributed \$5,000 to the Conservancy of Southwest Florida for an *Estuaries Report Card*. The funding helped to expand the scope of the Report Card to include all of the CHNEP study area, including Lemon Bay and Dona & Roberts Bays. The issuance of the *Estuaries Report Card* also helped CHNEP to meet its obligations to the EPA prior to its 2006 Triennial Implementation Review. The report rated each watershed estuary in Southwest Florida with a grade on a scale of A+ to F- for two categories: water quality and wildlife habitat. The analysis graded the health of 10 estuary watersheds: Coastal Venice, Lemon Bay, Charlotte Harbor, Pine Island Sound, Caloosahatchee River, Estero Day, which are all located within the CHNEP study area, and the Wiggins Pass/Cocohatchee River, Naples Bay, Rookery Bay and Ten Thousand Islands, which are located south of the CHNEP study area. The Conservancy anticipates conducting an evaluation every three years and publishing a new report card to determine whether the health of these estuary watersheds is improving or declining. Two versions of the report are available as PDF files: a 203-page full report at www.chnep.org/info/EstuariesReportCard2005.pdf and the 16-page summary at www.chnep.org/info/EstuariesReportCard200516pg.pdf.

With the CCMP update, Environmental Indicators Report update, collection of data related to the performance measures, and update of desktop publishing to Adobe InDesign, staff is ready to begin drafting the *State of the Estuaries and Watersheds*. Using recommendations from the CAC Environmental Indicators Subcommittee which convened in 2003, staff designed an initial spread for discussion with the Management Conference. Significant recommendations which are exhibited include:

- Make the document a keepsake rather than a throw-away.
- Follow formatting similar to the CCMP Summary.
- Use excellent examples from other NEPs including Puget Sound and Delaware Estuary.
- Include a “What You can Do” section.

The Conservancy of Southwest Florida is planning to update its Report Card and has requested CHNEP providing funding toward the effort. The request is \$10,000 to fund half of the Report Card. TAC and CAC recommended against funding the Conservancy effort and recommended developing a State of the Estuaries and Watersheds document through a Management Conference effort. The CAC plans to hold Environmental



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Indicators Subcommittee meetings to develop the document, inviting other conference members. Both the CAC and TAC favor developing a companion website with more data and analysis available to interested people.

Co-Chairman Howard stated that there are three items being discussed:

- Report Card Completed by The Conservancy of Southwest Florida and they have requested funding to do another report card.
- State of the Estuaries and Watersheds Report, which the CHNEP staff has compiled with the help of the Environmental Indicators Subcommittee and other member's participation.
- Then a third associated effort of having more specific information on the CHNEP's website to support the "State of the Estuaries and Watersheds Report" and there would be examples from the report.

Mr. Merriam explained that Sarasota County is currently in the process of developing watershed plans in conjunction with SWFWMD and one of the tasks is to review the watershed report cards, and among that are the geographic coverage issues.

Co-Chairman Howard suggested having the maps on separate pages.

Mr. Cheatham referred to Agenda Items 6 and 7 and then asked if there are specific costs involved. Dr. Beever explained that \$18,000 has been budgeted for the publication of the document in the 2008 budget, as well as staff time.

Ms. Garcia referred to the Watershed Report and said that she was happy that the NEP took over the report and how they will be looking at the environmental indicators. She then asked how the indicators will be selected. Dr. Beever explained that if there are 32 indicators or more it depends on the data source.

Dr. Beever suggested bringing back the Environmental Indicators update and have the committee prioritize the indicators.

Co-Chairman Howard stated that both the TAC and CAC can play a role on providing recommendations from the public perspective (CAC) and also from a technical standpoint (TAC).

Mr. Dale asked if the Conservancy is a member of the CHNEP. Dr. Beever replied that they are a partner. Mr. Dale asked what the budget category/source was for the \$5,000. Dr. Beever replied data management and also the Policy Committee had given the Program Director permission to use up to \$5,000, at her own discretion. Mr. Dale asked what would have been the



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source of the \$10,000. Dr. Beever replied that it would have come out of the local contributions that the Partners make to the CHNEP.

MS. GARCIA MOVED AND MR. MERRIAM SECONDED TO RECOMMEND PREPARING A STATE OF THE ESTUARIES AND WATERSHEDS DOCUMENT THROUGH THE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE. ALSO HAVE THE TAC AND CAC IDENTIFY THE ENVIRONMENTAL INDICATORS BASED ON AVAILABLE DATA FOR CITIZENS FOR EDUCATIONAL AND RESOURCE STANDARDS AND THEN BRING BACK TO BOTH THE MANAGEMENT AND POLICY COMMITTEES FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. RESEARCH AND RESTORATION PARTNERS PROJECTS

The program office received 11 Research and Restoration Partners Grants applications by the deadline of October 26, 2007. A Review Subcommittee met all day Friday, December 7, 2007 Lemon Bay Park in Englewood, FL to review and prioritize applications for the full TAC. Thanks to the following for their invaluable efforts:

- Peter Doering, SFWMD/TAC;
- Kristen Kaufman, SWFWMD/TAC;
- Gary Raulerson, Sarasota Bay Estuary Program;
- Bob Day Indian River Lagoon National Estuary Program;
- Jason Utley, SWFRPC/TAC;
- Kathi Rader-Gibson, Sarasota County/CAC and
- Ernesto Lasso de la Vega, CAC.

The subcommittee first discussed the meeting agenda and then issues for consideration in their funding recommendations. The subcommittee then discussed each project proposal individually along with their questions or concerns with each. Next, each of the applicants was allotted 5 minutes to give a description of their project before then answering questions from the review subcommittee for another 10 minutes. Finally, each review subcommittee member completed an evaluation matrix for each project proposal, circling either "high," "medium," "low" or "do not fund." Program staff then multiplied each "high" vote by 3; each "medium" vote by 2; each "low" vote by 1; and each "do not fund" vote by 0. The mean and median values for each proposal were then determined, giving the group's prioritization. This prioritization is then listed in order of preference on a Summary sheet included within this packet.

We budgeted \$60,000 for the Research and Restoration Partners Grant Program in the FY08 Workplan. In addition, the SFWMD offered to provide \$20,000 towards project F of the R&RP Grant applications. Thus, the budget is \$70-80,000 for this item. Staff recommends following the Review Subcommittee rankings to fund in order of priority:



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Projects F, I, J, A, and B. The TAC recommended approval of funding projects F, I, J, A and B.

The project proposals are available electronically from the CHNEP ftp site. If you have questions or would like further information about these proposals or the Review Subcommittee's recommendations, please contact the program office at ccorbett@swfrpc.org or (239) 338-2556 ext. 241.

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The applications are within the February 13 TAC meeting folder. Note: for IE7, the user should click Page, and then click Open FTP Site in Windows Explorer.

TAC and CAC recommended approval of the 5 projects.

Mr. Merriam asked what the total dollar amount is for the Wild Turkey Strand. Ms. Corbett replied \$20,000.

MR. CHEATHAM MOVED AND MR. MERRIAM SECONDED TO RECOMMEND PROJECT APPLICATIONS F, I, J, A AND B FOR FUNDING. THE MOTION CARRIED WITH MR. OTTOLINI ABSTAINING.

9. PRE-DEVELOPMENT VEGETATION MAP

Within the technical section of the Fiscal Year 2008 Workplan is the item "Research or Monitoring Priority," for TAC to recommend a project addressing a priority research need or knowledge gap for our environmental indicators. The FY08 workplan budgeted \$50,000 for this item. In addition, the program has \$40,000 unencumbered for this same item in the FY07 Workplan. (The "tidal shoreline condition map" project was funded with the remaining allocation towards this item in the FY07 Workplan.) Program staff recommend funding the completion of the pre-development vegetation map (PDVM) using these funds. Completion of the PDVM would allow us to determine the extent, type and quantity of habitat loss since pre-settlement. Most of the study area has been completed by SFWMD, SWFMWD, and CHNEP. Only Charlotte County and Manatee County remain.

CHNEP developed the PDVM for Sarasota in 2004 but has not been able to work on the effort in over 2 years.

Staff recommends funding the existing SWFWMD contractor to undertake this effort for consistency and economy of scale. A draft summary of the proposed project, including a budget is enclosed.



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TAC and CAC recommended approval of the project.

Mr. Merriam asked if the pre-development maps are based on soils and aerial photography. Ms. Corbett replied yes, the historic 1850s notes and grids. Dr. Beaver explained how surveyors in the 1850s did their jobs by taking very specific notes and using grids.

Co-Chairman Howard asked what vegetation coding would be used. Ms. Corbett replied that it would be the same as one used for Southwest Florida. Both Dr. Beaver and Ms. Garcia stated that they would be the same codes as what the SWFWMD uses which are very specific.

MS. GARCIA MOVED AND MR. MERRIAM SECONDED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR FUNDING. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. RESERVOIR WORKSHOP

At its January 16 meeting near Wauchula, the Citizens Advisory Committee voted to recommend CHNEP host a workshop on Reservoirs. The workshop would help to implement Priority Action HA-K.

Drainage projects have changed flows to the estuaries by reducing water storage on the landscape. Because of development in areas that used to hold water, re-hydration of the landscape is not an option in many areas. Construction and management of off-stream reservoirs is one technique to hold excess water back during the wet season and deliver needed water to the estuaries in the dry season. Reservoirs may also be a component of future water supply, reducing demands on groundwater and diminishing likelihood for conductivity water quality impairments.

Both the Southwest Florida Water Management District (Regional Water Supply Plan, 12/06) and the South Florida Water Management District (Southwest Florida Feasibility Study) have identified dozens of general locations for reservoirs and other surface water storage features. In addition, SWFWMD and Hardee County are working with phosphate companies to include reservoirs in the post-reclamation landscape. Most proposals include a water quality treatment component.

The Citizens Advisory Committee recommended that CHNEP conduct a Reservoirs Workshop to investigate this issue. They have requested scientific experts from outside the CHNEP area who have no investment in final decisions related to reservoirs and experts who may know most about area and existing proposals.

In preparation, CHNEP staff has begun assembling a geographic information systems shape file displaying proposed reservoirs and relative size.



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TAC and CAC recommended approval of the workshop.

Co-Chairman Howard asked if the TAC and CAC knew what the scope of what the watershed workshop would address.

- Would it look at what a generic reservoir would be;
- What specific reservoir would be;
- What cumulative effects of reservoirs would be; or
- All three or a grouping of those.

Dr. Beever stated that she believes that the content of the workshop would be developed with an ad hoc subcommittee of the TAC and CAC members interested and Management Conference members.

Mr. Bush stated that he believes that this is a very timely and important topic and he would hope that out of this effort reports would be written that would be more acceptable and digestible by the general public. He suggested reaching out to the media and possibly holding a press conference to get the message out so the public is properly educated. Dr. Beever explained that the media is notified of all meetings and workshops.

Ms. Garcia noted that the SWFWMD is currently in the process of updating their Regional Water Supply Plan; however, the current version is available on their website. Also, the reservoirs are proposed and not all of them are going to be built. She stated that she feels that before moving ahead with the workshop, first there needs to be an audience identified and what is going to be the outcome.

Co-Chairman Howard recommended that the CAC put it into more detail of what the workshop should be focused on.

Mr. Ottolini suggested having the workshop focus on water impairments instead of reservoirs.

MR. BUSH MOVED AND MR. MERRIAM SECONDED TO HAVE IT RETURNED TO THE CAC WITH PRESENTATIONS MADE BY THE SWFWMD ON RESERVOIRS AND WATER MANAGEMENT. THEN HAVE THE CAC RECONSIDER ANY RECOMMENDATIONS THAT THEY MAY WANT TO MAKE BASED ON THAT INFORMATION.

Mr. Merriam suggested that if cumulative impacts and mining issues are also part of the workshop then he recommends taking the Peace River Water Resource Plan into consideration.

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.



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Ms. Hilgendorf recommended inviting both of the water management districts and the Peace River Water Supply Authority to the CAC meeting scheduled Wednesday, April 16th.

11. FY 09 WORKPLAN DISCUSSION

In preparation for the May 2008 adoption of the Workplan, staff drafted the FY09 Workplan and FY08 Amendments for discussion.

12. ADVOCACY TRACKING AND UPDATE

On February 21, 2003, the Policy Committee adopted its Advocacy and Review Procedures. However, CHNEP's advocacy began four years earlier with a letter to request designation of Horse Creek as an Outstanding Florida Water (OFW). In its history, CHNEP has issued 52 letters in support of various advocacy stances. Seventeen (33%) have yielded successful results and 26 (50%) have been unsuccessful. Partial successes account for 12% and pending or unknown accounts for the remaining 18% of occurrences. Some of the unsuccessful letters have been released multiple times. For example, CHNEP has requested a region-wide programmatic EIS four times before receiving an answer on January 11, 2008. By reducing duplicate requests, our rate of non-success is 45%.

In year 2007, we issued 14 requests, more than any other previous year. Seven requests (50%) were successful with one a partial success. Over time, we have gotten better at advocating our positions and working with our partners to achieve results.

Periods of many successful letters correspond to the 2006 and 2007 State Legislative seasons as well as the recent the conceptual adoption of the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP) update.

Co-Chairman Howard explained that one of goals of the management conference is to determine whether or not certain federal and state actions are consistent or inconsistent with the CCMP. Largely that has been the way that the advocacy letters have been generated. One thing that he has been pleased to see was that apparently the conference was getting better at learning through the process of how to influence, how to be effective and be an advocate.

Mr. Merriam stated that he was interested in the modification to the Evaluation of Current Stormwater Designs by Criteria in Florida Report because he is on the TAC for the state-wide Rule and would like to have a copy of the report.

13. TAC REPORT

Ms. Staugler gave the TAC report and announced that the TAC met on February 13th at the South Florida Community College in Arcadia. The TAC adopted a resolution regarding Green Management Committee Meeting Minutes

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Meetings and asks that other committees consider their own green meeting procedures. The next TAC meeting is scheduled for April 9th.

Dr. Beever stated that the TAC is recommending that the other committees adopt a similar resolution regarding "Green Meetings" and/or go to electronic agenda packets. She then asked if the Management Committee would be interested in adopting such a resolution.

Mr. Merriam replied yes.

Mrs. Bush asked if this issue should be brought before the CAC for their consideration. Ms. Corbett replied yes.

Co-Chairman Howard recommended placing the item on the next meeting agenda. He suggested that staff compile a resolution with recommendations that is similar for all committees. Dr. Beever stated that she would like to obtain input from the members today on whether they would like to receive their packets by mail or electronically.

Ms. Garcia stated that she would not like to see any of the meetings turn into teleconference or videoconference because she feels that there needs to be the interaction between the members and you don't get that with either of those two medias.

Ms. Hilgendorf suggested having three meetings instead of four. Dr. Beever stated that there is usually one time where a meeting is either changed or cancelled.

Co-Chairman Howard stated that he agrees with Ms. Garcia that he also prefers meetings where people are face-to-face. He then suggested that staff review the resolution and bring it back to the next Management meeting for consideration.

14. CAC REPORT

Mr. Bush gave the CAC Report of the CAC meeting held on February 20th at the Environmental Center in Port Charlotte. Topics of discussion included:

- The reservoir workshop
- SWIM Plan presentation by Ms. Molly Meadows of SFWMD
- CCMP Signing Ceremony scheduled for March 24th
- Watershed Summit on March 24-27

Mr. Bush noted that another member brought up an issue where Lee County has been pursuing a permit to dredge in sensitive areas within Lee County with the idea of offering as mitigation certain areas to be designated as non-motor or poling only areas. It was felt by the committee that this issue was in need of further information and explanation that was going to be done. The committee felt that it would have far reaching implications for other counties given the fact that this would be put into effect.



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Dr. Beever explained that Ms. Highsmith had brought up the issue and found that it wasn't as imminent as originally thought and there is more time on it. This issue has been taken up by the Estero Bay ABM and there was a presentation given by Ms. Heather Stafford, FDEP-Aquatic Preserve Program and she explained how they have reviewed what was originally proposed in terms of dredging areas and the impacts of dredging areas and identified the non-motor zones based on the CHNEP's seagrass prop scare data, so our information is being used on the development of each policy. The CHNEP staff had the opportunity to review the draft permit and submitted comments to DEP's reviewers and there has been general concern with enforcement of the zones, but there has already been some techniques developed through Lee County resources to focus some of there existing enforcement capabilities on the non-motor zones.

Mr. Bush announced that the next CAC meeting is scheduled for April 16th at Lemon Bay.

15. ESTERO BAY AGENCY ON BAY MANAGEMENT (ABM) REPORT

Ms. Garcia stated that she doesn't see the importance of having the ABM minutes included in the agenda packet since it doesn't require any action.

Dr. Beever explained that Estero Bay does only affect Lee County and the ABM's agenda and minutes are located on its website which the conference members have access to.

Ms. Donley explained that they are also included in the SWFRPC's agenda packets.

Co-Chairman Howard stated that sometimes there are issues that come out of the ABM and there should be a report that recognizes those important items, but just talking generically about what they have done when it is not particularly significant is not needed.

16. NEP Program Report

Dr. Beever briefly reviewed the attached deliverables. She noted that the CAC had also formed an ad hoc subcommittee to address the random sample survey in what the instrument would be in providing the alternatives in how we issue the survey either by telephone or mail.

Dr. Beever stated that the November Policy Meeting is in conflict with the Association of NEPs fall meeting, where all NEP Directors are required to attend. She recommended cancelling the November Policy meeting due to conflict.

Ms. Hilgendorf announced that the Children's Discovery Book is near completion, final comments are due March 6th and she is expecting to print approximately 19,000 copies. She also announced that the CCMP Signing Ceremony is going to be held on March 24th, immediately following the Policy Committee and the Watershed Summit is scheduled for March 25-27 at ECC-Charlotte Campus.



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Ms. Corbett announced that the next publication of the FL Academy of Sciences have agreed to publish their "Journal" from the Watershed Summit which will be released in the Fall of 2009 and the SWFRPC Lower West Coast Watershed Subcommittee is currently in the processing of drafting a resolution for the Council's consideration and adoption on "Managed Care Model Guidance for Onsite Wastewater Systems Planning, Treatment and Management." She explained that she will be giving a presentation to the Council on OSTDS.

Ms. Donley announced that the CHNEP is coordinating with the SWFRPC on applying for FDEP's Section 319 Grant for non-point source.

Ms. Hilgendorf announced that the four NEPs are working together on a campaign for the Section 319 non-source. She then asked if it is something worth sending out to the partners.

Co-Chairman Howard explained that it is because EPA has had interaction with the State and letting the State know that EPA, in a federal position, encourage the use of 319 funds for OCCMP implementation. State of Florida has high criteria or priority for giving the funds to utilities that are already established and EPA has recently received information back from the State that the 319 non-point source funding is also available beyond just for stormwater utilities, so we are going to try to take advantage of that as a source of funds to do some of the CCMP work.

17. Member Comments

None

18. Public Comments

None

19. Next Meeting's Topics, Location and Date

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 2, 2008 in Arcadia and topics of discussion are: 2009 Workplan, Strategic Communication Plan and Resolution on Green Meetings.

20. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 12:40 pm.