

**Duck and Otter Creeks Partnership, Inc.
Toledo-Lucas County Public Library
3340 Dustin Road, Oregon, OH 43616
November 20, 2008
2:00 p.m.**

Attendees: Dave Barna, US EPA; Landon Eenigenburg, ARCADIS (representing CSX); Sue Horvath, Citizen; Scott Ousky, Sunoco; Susan Richards, Envirosafe Services; Julie Hewlett, Bowser-Morner; Andrea Beard, City of Oregon; Patekka Bannister, City of Toledo; Stace Bieber, GEC; Neal Thurber, BP Husky; Mike Darr, BP Remediation; Gerry Klug, Citizen;

Staff: Becky Simpson, Executive Director.

Agenda Items:

1. Approval of minutes

A motion to approve the September 18 minutes was made by Neal Thurber with support by Scott Ousky. No changes were made to the minutes. All were in favor.

2. Risk Assessment Update

Sue Horvath gave an update on the Risk Assessments. All of the comments have been compiled and were submitted to Tetra Tech. Tetra Tech is now revising the draft reports and should be finished by the end of the year. Once the final reports are complete, they will be sent to the board of Partners for Clean streams for approval, as well as to the Joyce foundation. After approval the final reports, along with all the comments, will be distributed to the DOCP.

3. Wetland Project Update

The Duck and Otter Creeks Partnership received a grant in the amount of \$50,000 from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for a wetland enhancement management project. At this time, the plantings are done, except for some areas that need to be re-planted. What is left is the installation of the sidewalks, signs and benches. The signs have been designed and the benches have been picked out. To go with our theme of being environmentally friendly, we would like to install pervious concrete paths. Bureau concrete has been contacted and we are now waiting for the final bid. Because of the cold temperatures, the pouring of the concrete will have to wait until next spring.

4. Industry Workgroup Update

Neal Thurber gave an update on the industry workgroup. The industry workgroup have met approximately 3 times to help better understand what is involved with the Great Lakes Legacy Act (GLLA) funding for a project, and to decide if the industry wants to move forward and how. The main sticking point is there is no protection from future liability, however, after meeting with Bob Rule from Demaximus, they are more comfortable knowing that the end result is a solid remediation project.

If they decide to proceed with a GLLA project, they can do so in three steps.

1. Additional study for data gaps
2. Feasibility study
3. Remediation

The industries are having internal discussions and hope to meet again by the end of the year to make their decision, and possibly choose a project manager.

Scott Ousky told the group that we could get a 35%-65% match as long as we are putting a good faith effort and move forward on a voluntary basis. However, if we wait until federal action takes place, then the match would be 50%-50%.

5. Director's Report

GLLA – Becky attended a Great Lakes Legacy Act Workshop in Ann Arbor MI on September 23rd. Since that time the GLLA has been reauthorized for another 2 years at \$54 million per year. Two main changes to the act are: 1. money can now be used to restore habitat at sites where contaminated sediments have been cleaned up, and 2. a site characterization analysis can be performed at 100% fully funded by federal monies. Becky has been in contact with GLNPO and has set up a conference call for the end of the month to discuss how to move forward with a GLLA project.

Membership packets – 2009 membership packets were sent to all members of the Partnership. Everyone was asked to contact Becky if they would like to receive an invoice (similar to past years) instead of a membership application.

Newsletter - Becky is also working on the first Duck and Otter Creeks Partnership newsletter that will be mailed out to all the residents along the stream. She asked anyone that would like their projects highlighted to contact her. The first newsletter will be mailed out at the beginning of next year.

6. Financial Report and Updated Budget

Sandy was not able to attend today's meeting, however she will send a financial report to everyone by e-mail. Although the ODNR grant was terminated, they did give us 4 more months of salary for time Sandy and Sue spent on Partnership activities. Scott Ousky asked if Sandy could send out a year-end summary as well as an estimated budget for next year.

7. Open Announcements

Sue Richards handed out the Envirosafe progress report for October 2008.

11. Next meetings

- Full Board: January 15, 2008 – 2:00 pm location to be determined
- Steering Committee: time and location to be determined

Respectfully Submitted,
Becky Simpson