

## WATER RESOURCES TECHNICAL COMMITTEE (WRTC) Webinar Conference Meeting

**Tuesday, March 25, 2014  
10 am - 12 pm**

### Webinar Information

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### AGENDA

- I. **Welcome, & Roll Call/Introductions** - *Mohsin Siddique, DC Water, WRTC Chair*  
(10:00 - 10:10 am)
- II. **Introduction of Stephen Walz, COG's Director of Environmental Programs**  
(10:10 - 10:15 am) - *Stephen Walz, Director, COG Department of Environmental Programs*  
  
Mr. Walz will introduce himself and discuss his interest in better understanding WRTC member priorities and ways that COG can best serve their needs.
- III. **West Virginia Water Contamination Event And Preparedness in the National Capital Region** - *Steve Bieber, Chief Urban Watershed Programs and Homeland Security, COG*  
(10:15 - 10:50 am)

*On January 9, 2014, a water system contamination event resulting from a chemical leak of a compound used in the coal industry occurred in Charleston, West Virginia, affecting over 300,000 people and resulting in a "do not use" notice for approximately 10 days, tens of millions of dollars in lost business, school closures, and extensive national concern.*

Mr. Bieber will summarize what happened and the emergency response in West Virginia, present information regarding preparedness for potential water contamination events in the National Capital Region and ongoing work to update the region's Water Supply Emergency Plan. Mr. Bieber will provide an overview of the COG region's multi-barrier approach to drinking water monitoring. He will also share lessons learned from the West Virginia chemical spill, and plans to prepare COG region public messaging pertaining to contamination prevention and response.

**Feedback:** Members should receive briefing and share thoughts on COG's water supply and emergency planning programs.

**IV. COG Board's Regional Infrastructure Work Plan and Water Resource Focus -**  
*Stephen Waltz, Tanya Spano and Steve Bieber, COG Staff*  
(10:50 - 11:15 am)

Mr. Waltz will provide a brief overview of the COG Board's FY2014 Work Plan priority on Regional Infrastructure and general plans for the coming year. Ms. Spano and Mr. Bieber will describe the types of Water Resources information that are expected to be included in upcoming presentations (i.e., drinking water, wastewater and stormwater) including specific feedback provided on Drinking Water information that was provided at last week's CBPC meeting.

**Feedback:** Members will be asked to identify any other information that should be included in the Drinking Water presentation to the COG Board on April 9<sup>th</sup>; or in subsequent Water Resource presentations over the coming year

**V. FY15 Work Program Priorities and Timeline - Tanya Spano, Chief, RWQM, COG**  
(11:15 - 11:25 am)

Ms. Spano will highlight the Regional Water Quality Management priorities for FY15 that were endorsed by the CBPC and Blue Plains users, review the planned activities and work products for the rest of FY14, and outline the proposed process and schedule for review and approval of the FY15 Annual Work Program & Budget document.

**Feedback:** WRTC members will be asked if they have any questions regarding the process or schedule for FY15 - and whether they have any specific idea for additional work products for the coming year.

**VI. General Updates & Events - COG Staff**  
(11:25 - 11:45 am)

- A. **Deicers & Any Local Water Quality Impacts - Update - Christine Howard, COG Staff**
- B. **Stream Restoration Workshop - Recap & Next Steps - Heidi Bonnaffon, COG Staff**
- C. **303d State Listing - Current Status - Christine Howard, COG Staff**
- D. COG staff will highlight items and respond to any questions regarding other items in the General Updates & Events document.

**VII. Around the Room - WRTC Members & COG Staff**  
(11:45 am - 12:00 pm)

WRTC members and COG staff will be asked to share any other issues or events that would be of interest/concern to the region.

**VIII. Adjourn**  
(12:00 pm)

**Upcoming WRTC & CBPC Meetings & Events**

March 26 - CEEPC Meeting (Board Room, 10 am - 12:00 pm)

April 3rd - NVRAC Luncheon "[Envision Rating System: What is it and why would I use it?](#)" (P.J. Skidoos, Fairfax, VA, 11:45 am - 1:15 pm)

April 4 - The National Capital Region Water Resources Symposium: "[Water Resources and Infrastructure: Emerging Problems and Solutions](#)" (University of the District of Columbia)

April 9 - COG Board of Directors Meeting (Board Room 12 pm - 2 pm) - with water infrastructure focus

April 25-COG Region Forward Coalition Meeting - with focus on sustainability and what it means in the *Region Forward* context. The meeting will address what sustainability can look like and how to encourage broad implementation across the National Capital Region.

April 26 - [DEA Drug Take Back Day](#) (various regional locations, 10 am - 2:00 pm)

May 1 - WRTC Meeting

May 16 - CBPC Meeting