



East & West Nishnabotna
Watershed Coalition

JOINT EAST & WEST NISHNABOTNA WMC MEETING

Minutes from September 20, 2018

Oakland Community Center; Oakland, IA

Meeting was called to order by East/West Chairperson Sheryl Sanders at 9:00am. Self-introductions were made and attendance was taken. A quorum was declared for both the East and the West Nishnabotna River Watershed Management Coalitions.

East Nishnabotna WMC Members Present:

Steve Nees - Carroll County SWCD

Ray Wilson - Cass SWCD

Sheryl Sanders - Fremont County SWCD

Robert Henke - Page County SWCD

Wayne Krohn - Shelby County SWCD

Todd Nelson - Audubon County

Dean Schettler - Carroll County

Randy Hickey - Fremont County

Mike Olsen - Montgomery County

Scott Belt - Pottawattamie County

Charlie Parkhurst - Shelby County

Candace Fischer - Elliott

Marian Durfey - Essex

Jeff Metheny - Griswold

Ernie Aust - Shenandoah

West Nishnabotna WMC Members Present:

Steve Nees - Carroll County SWCD

Sheryl Sanders - Fremont County SWCD

Allan Tiarks - West Pottawattamie County
SWCD

Paul Hathaway - Mills County SWCD

Robert Henke - Page County SWCD

Wayne Krohn - Shelby County SWCD

Todd Nelson - Audubon County

Dean Schettler - Carroll County

Randy Hickey - Fremont County

Richard Crouch - Mills County

Mike Olsen - Montgomery County

Scott Belt - Pottawattamie County

Charlie Parkhurst - Shelby County

Josh Billings - Hancock

Rich Maaske - Malvern

Members/Jurisdictions Absent

Russell Brandes - East Pott County SWCD

Kirk Baird - Montgomery County SWCD

Steve Baier - Cass County

J.D. King - Page County

-Emerson

-Elk Horn

-Farragut

-Henderson

-Imogene

-Manning

Mike Bargary - Oakland

-Walnut

Agenda/Minutes

East Nishnabotna WMC agenda was reviewed. Motion made to approve as written was made by Todd Nelson; second by Charlie Parkhurst. Motion Carried unanimously.

West Nishnabotna WMC agenda was reviewed. Motion made to approve as written was made by Richard Crouch; second by Steve Nees. Motion Carried unanimously.

Joint East and West Nishnabotna WMC minutes from the September meeting was read. Motion to accept the minutes as presented for both Watershed Coalitions was made by Todd Nelson; second by Mike Olsen to approve. Motion Carried unanimously.

Presentations

Engineering contract for implementation of practices within the targeted HUC 12 watersheds is being negotiated between JEO and the counties and will be signed soon.

An additional five HUC 12's were approved within the MID-URN areas for implementation of practices. The added HUC 12's are: White Cloud- West Nishnabotna, Lower Indian Creek, Lower Walnut Creek, Spring Branch- West Nishnabotna, and Fisher Creek. This is in addition to the already approved HUC 12's. The cost share amount has been increased to 90%.

It is suggested that the Nishnabotna Confluence be the primary case study within the watershed plan. This could potentially open up additional opportunities to make an impact within the area with funding sources such as the HMA grant. A motion was made by Scott Belt and seconded by Randy Hickey to support this as the top case study within the watershed plan. Motion carried unanimously.

A presentation was made by Dan Gilles from the Iowa Flood Center. It was recommended by the board to include the quantity in gallons for a more visual impact.

Julie Kearney at the University of Iowa CEA updated the board on the most current the survey results.

IFC Flood Resiliency team alerted the board to the SVI Maps that would be coming out next month.

JEO gave a planning update that included the top recommended case studies being the Nishnabotna River Confluence, unbuilt PL566 structures, and oxbow restoration. Other planning topics included ACPF map books, a review of water quality and updates on current goals and objectives. It was suggested that a youth education and outreach be a component of the plan.

Upcoming Meetings

December 19 Quarterly WMA Meeting

Meeting adjourned.