



**DIRECTOR'S
WATER WELL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (WWAC)**

Constitution Hall, ConCon A & B Conference Room/Teams Meeting

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

December 15, 2022

Members Present: Mike Wahlfield, SW Representative
Jim Welser, SE Representative
Charles Sebastian, Michigan Ground Water Association (MGWA)
Sara Pearson, EGLE
Laura Doud, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD)
Tony Drautz, Oakland County Health Division
Dan Milan, Milan Supply
Erik Kleiman, Upper Peninsula Representative
John Schmitt, South Representative

Members Absent: Adam Tippet, NE Representative
Matt Bolang, Livingston County Health Department
Chad Brewer, NW Representative

Others Present: Dave DeYoung, EGLE
Anita Ladouceur, EGLE
Brad Laskosky, EGLE
Elizabeth Kalnins, EGLE
Dana DeBruyn, EGLE
Carolyn Kreiger, EGLE
Brian Thurston, EGLE
Sara Simmonds, Kent County Health Department
Mike Frederick, MGWA

1. Call to Order at 1:00 p.m.
2. Introduction of Guests – Sara Simmonds
3. Approval of Agenda – Approved as written
4. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting – Approved as written
5. EGLE Update – Sara Pearson
 - A. EGLE Director
 1. EGLE Director, Liesl Clark, is stepping down.
 2. DNR Director (Dan Eichinger) is EGLE's Acting Director starting January 1, 2023.
6. Unfinished Business
 - A. ASTM Standard C 150 Portland Cement Issue – Dave DeYoung/Sara Pearson
 1. The Regulatory Impact Statement was approved by the Michigan Office

of Administrative Hearings and Rules (MOAHR) today. The next step for EGLE involves public comment and public hearing.

2. MOAHR sent the draft rules to the Legislative Services Bureau for review. No significant changes were provided to EGLE from the review.
3. Other states are dealing with the same Portland Cement issue. EGLE is communicating with Minnesota and Wisconsin throughout this process.
4. Contractors have noticed that some bags of cement currently say the product meets either the Type I or Type IL standard.

B. Marijuana Grow Facilities – Charles Sebastian

1. MGWA is sending a letter to their members regarding isolation distances, etc.
2. Different sites are following different protocols.
3. EGLE Part 22 staff are working on some guidance on discharges.

C. 2023 MGWA Education Conference – Charles Sebastian

1. February 9th and 10th at JW Marriott in Grand Rapids
2. MGWA will again offer scholarships to local health department sanitarians to attend.
3. There are two learning tracks a Fundamentals of well construction and an Advanced track.
4. In addition to the conference, training opportunities related to water well construction for sanitarians is available anytime. Several presentations are available on the EGLE-Water Well Construction website.
5. Milan Supply is coordinating water well training events outside the conference for new EGLE engineers.
6. There was a recommendation for MGWA, Michigan Association of Local Environmental Health Administrators (MALEHA), Michigan Environmental Health Association (MEHA), Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), and EGLE to meet to develop a plan for educational outreach.
7. John Yellich from the Michigan Geological Survey continues to provide lithology description training. A consensus of WWAC members recommended that a more robust geology training with a certificate of achievement be pursued.

7. New Business

A. Committee Member Resignation of Matt Bolang

1. Matt Bolang received a promotion to Health Officer.
2. Sara Simmonds is taking Matt's position on WWAC.

B. Contractor Examination Information

1. October 7, 2022, exam
 - a. 12 applicants were qualified to take the exam-one dewatering, three pump installers, eight well drillers.
 - b. All dewatering and pump installers passed.
 - c. Well drillers-four passed, two failed, one no show, one passed sections necessary to register as a pump installer
2. April 14, 2023 is the next exam date.

- C. Contractor Enforcement Update – Brad Laskosky
 - 1. A Notice of Intent was sent to a driller for 37 late well records and other violations. There is an established pattern by the driller of submitting records after the statutorily required 60 days. An Informal Conference has been scheduled.

- 8. Other Business or Comments
 - A. None

- 9. New Agenda Items for Next Meeting
 - A. Opportunities to Improve Well Locations – Sara Pearson
 - B. Executive Directive 2021-9 Recap – Sara Pearson
 - C. Status of per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) contamination in Michigan-
To Be Assigned

- 10. Next Meeting Date – March 23, 2023 @ 9:30am

- 11. Meeting Adjourned at 2:15p.m.