NJ Water Monitoring Council

Measuring What Counts for Clean & Plentiful Water

MEETING AGENDA January 21, 2015, 9:00am – 4:00pm Location: DRBC

Council Business - Leslie McGeorge, DEP/WM&S and Bob Reiser, USGS NJ Water Science Center (9:00-9:30) Approval of September 24 minutes (handout)

- Additional 2015 Meetings: May 20 USGS NJWSC, September 23 DEP HQ
- Membership Updates New Member
 - Angela Gorczyca, Raritan Headwaters Association
- Technical Session Topic Recommendations for May Meeting Contaminants of Emerging Concern, Wetlands, County/Local/Watershed Association Monitoring, others?
- Announcements
 - o NJ Continuous Monitoring Inventory Update Alena Baldwin-Brown, DEP/WM&S
 - USGS NJWSC Staff Changes Communications Coordinator and Temporary Assignment as National GWMN Chief – *Bob Reiser*
 - New USGS NJWSC Newsletter and GW Level Mapper for NJ Coastal Plain Pam Reilly USGS NJWSC
 - Pinelands Research Series Hg in Absecon Creek & AC Reservoir System (2/18) Leslie
 - o Others?
- > National Water Monitoring Information from NWQMC Leslie (9:30-9:45)

Session: Environmental Mercury

Hg in the Nation's Streams – Levels, Trends & Implications – *Mark Brigham, USGS (via webex)* (9:45-10:45)

Break (10:45-11:00)

- Key NJ Mercury Task Force Recommendations in NJ, Progress and Trends Leslie McGeorge, DEP/WM&S and Sandra Goodrow, DEP/OS (11:00-11:30)
- Mercury Deposition Network: National & NJ Results Mark Olson, NADP¹/U of Illinois (via webex) and Charlie Pieterinen or Rudy Zsolway, DEP/Division of Air Quality (11:30-12:00)

Lunch (12:00 - 1:00pm)

Session: Environmental Mercury (cont.)

- Statewide Mercury TMDL for Non-tidal Waters-Anne Witt, DEP/DWM&S (1:00-1:25)
- Mercury in Fish Tissue in New Jersey, and Transition from Research to Monitoring Bruce Ruppel, DEP OS and John Abatemarco, DEP/WM&S (1:25-2:00)
- Mercury Fish Tissue Monitoring in the Delaware River (including Poster: DNREC Hg Methylation Study in the Delaware River Zone 5) – Tom Fikslin, DRBC (2:00-2:30)
- Statewide Surface and Ground Water Mercury Monitoring Chris Kunz, DEP/WM&S and Ray Bousenberry, DEP/NJGWS (2:30-3:05)
- Variability of Mercury in Waters, Soils and Sediments of the NJ Coastal Plain Pam Reilly, USGS NJWSC (3:10-3:40)
- > Discussion: Gaps in Environmental Mercury Monitoring *Facilitator: Bob Reiser* (3:40-4:00)

¹ NADP – National Atmospheric Deposition Program