

Lower Yakima Valley Ground Water Advisory Committee Regulatory Framework Work Group

**Wednesday, May 13, 2015
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Radio KDNE
Conference Room #2
121 Sunnyside Ave., Granger**

Conference Call Line: 574.2353 Pin: 2353#

Agenda

Introductions, Comments, Additions to the Agenda

Basic ground rules (if any) for the group

- What is a quorum?
- Who votes?
- Ways to present multiple viewpoints

What does the Final Product for the Work Group need to include? Look at WAC 173 – 100 – 100 (Attachment A)

Who do we need to hear from in order to evaluate the regulatory and non-regulatory programs? (Attachments B & C, Tech Document #1)

- Yakima County Planning & Zoning (pages 6 & 7 of Tech Document #1)
- Yakima Health District (page 6 of Tech Document #1)
- More from DOE (pages 10 & 11 from Tech Document #1, State Plan for protection of groundwater from non-point source pollution (Attachment C))
- More from EPA (page 12 of Tech Document #1)
- More from WSDA (pages 8 & 9 of Tech Document #1)
- More from DOH (page 9 from Tech Document #1,
- Yakama Nation
- Cities (page 5 of Tech Document #1)
- Other

Create a draft timeline for Study Sessions

What should be on a web page for the group?

- A way to post resource material for the group
- A way to facilitate on-line discussion
- Other?

Think About Goals & Objectives for the Regulatory Work Group

Proposed Goals & Objectives for the Regulatory Group

1. Provide an overview of the history of regulatory action regarding water in the Yakima valley (A living document. Chair can start with a list and group members can add. See Attachment E)
2. Provide a summary of programs and plans that will affect future water quality in the Yakima valley
 - Washington's Water Quality Management Plan to Control Non-Point Sources of Pollution (Attachment D)
 - Yakima County's Long Term Plan
 - U.S. Farm Policy
3. Describe the current impact of Regulatory & Non-Regulatory policies & guidelines on water quality using the summary provided by HDR as a starting point
4. Provide a summary of costs and benefits for the various regulatory and non-regulatory programs (Provide the cost and the number of people affected, acreage affected, and estimated impact on water quality)
5. List and describe gaps in the regulatory and non-regulatory framework
6. Describe at least three alternative land and water use strategies for achieving nitrate levels < 10 ppm in Lower Yakima Valley groundwater. (The alternative strategies must address feasibility, effectiveness, cost, time and difficulty of implementation – WAC 173 – 100 – 100 (4))

Attachment A: WAC 173 – 100 - 100

Attachment B: LYV GWAC Technical Memo 1

Attachment C: LYV GWAC Regulatory Review Comment Response Table

Attachment D: GWMA Regulatory NPS GW Protection Plan

Attachment E: GWMA Timeline