

RMWEA/RMSAWWA Joint Water Reuse Committee and Colorado Reuse Regulation  
No. 84 Work Group

Tuesday, July 19, 2005 – 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Aurora Municipal Center – 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Utilities Department, Lowry Conference Room

Attendees: Tara Kelley, John Rehring, Wesley Carr, Frank Johns, Greg Straight, Kristi Riegle, Nicole Adams, Julie Vlier, Trisha Culp, Claudia Cummins, Dave Akers, Bill Landin, Jenny Fifita, Scott Lehman, Steve Lohman, Gale McGaha Miller, Dave Ussery, Jim Sanderson, Amy Maybach-Clark

1. Introductions

2. Reuse Committee Activities

- New Committee Chair: Tara Kelley will be the new Committee Chair starting in September 2005.
- Meeting in September will be in conjunction with the WateReuse Symposium. The November meeting will be in Arcadis. The Plum Creek Wastewater Authority (PCWA) conference room will again be available in 2006. We will finalize the 2006 schedule at the November 2005 meeting.
- Salinity subcommittee: Progress has been slow, and construction at PCWA will be completed this month and so hopefully progress can be made. The contract has been signed, and the information will be posted on the reuse committee website. Sites for the study include The International at Castle Pines, a City of Westminster park and Heritage GC.
- WateReuse Symposium (September 18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup>, 2005 in Denver): Details of the Symposium are available online at [watereuse.org](http://watereuse.org). A Water User's Forum Day has been scheduled for Tuesday, September 20th. The WateReuse Association is offering its discounted member rate (full Symposium and one-day rates) to users and potential users of reclaimed water. For more information, reference the flyer attached to these minutes.

3. Reg. 84 Modifications and Policies

- Prehearing Conference/Responsive Prehearing Statements: Four responsive prehearing statements have been submitted. The Platte River Power Authority (PRPA) is the only group with outstanding issues – the definition of closed loop cooling system. The variance to the E. coli standard has been approved.
- Vegetable garden (food crops) issue: Scott L. did some research of the newest EPA guidelines and other states' reuse regulations and consistently found the urban reuse category (Colorado's proposed Resident-Controlled Landscape Irrigation) includes irrigation of home gardens.
- Definition of closed loop cooling system: The issue with the proposed definition modification included reference to a reservoir, which may have caused some confusion with the Commission, (reference Ken Lyken's email distributed previously). The modification was made to remove the reservoir language. The group was ok with the changes, and will change this through a rebuttal statement.

The Committee discussed how the Commission would take the changed definition (original definition modified then modified back). Scott had some concern about modifying the “trade” definition of closed loop cooling system.

- Kristy had a concern regarding the residential and non-residential fire protection definitions. The current definitions provided some ambiguity in regards to fire hydrants. For the proposed regulation, one could read it that residential includes *all* fire-hydrants and nonresidential means all except those. (But logically no such fire hydrant would exist.) The Committee will modify the definition of *fire protection – residential* by removing the “(regardless of location)” and indicate use of hydrants in residential areas, and discuss that residential areas are those zoned for residential use or otherwise designated by local zoning authorities in the SOBP.
- Roles and Participants at the Rule-Making Hearing: The following order of presentation and times for a combination of direct testimony and cross-examination were established for the Rule-Making Hearing:
  1. Water Quality Control Division/  
Joint Reuse Committee: 15 minutes
  2. Platte River: 13 minutes
  3. Plum Creek: 3 minutes
  4. Dominion/Eastern Adams: 3 minutes
  5. Aurora: 3 minutes

John is encouraging any Reuse Committee / Work Group members to voice their support to the Commission for the proposed changes to Regs 61 and 84. To do so, you can either show up and make a statement in person at the Rulemaking Hearing on August 8, or you can email the Commission (before August 8) at [diana.glaser@state.co.us](mailto:diana.glaser@state.co.us), attach a statement of support, and ask that your comments be made part of the public record for the Reg 61/84 rulemaking hearing on August 8.

- Reuse policies/forms: Dave A. had some comments regarding the Monitoring Policy: It will be revisited by Claudia/Steve L. The Agronomic Rate Policy will be worked on by Brian G.. Other forms (NOA, LOI, User’s Plan to Comply, Annual Report Template) will first be worked on by Wes, with additional help from Tara.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 20<sup>th</sup> (time and place TBD, but will be arranged in conjunction with the WateReuse Symposium in Denver)**