

**Minutes**  
**Educational Advisory Committee (EAC)**  
**22 January 2018 - 2:00 - 4:00 pm**

**In Attendance:**

**Willie Lantz**, Agriculture  
**Lauren McCann**, Business  
**Bruce Taliaferro**, Education  
**Ken Fisher**, Forestry  
**Richard Matlick**, Property Owner  
**Gary Shafer**, Property Owner  
**Bob Sutton**, Property Owner  
**Gary Aronhalt**, Watershed Coordinator

**Absent:**

**Logan Marks**, Recreation  
**Sarah Duck**, Marketing

**Welcome /Opening Remarks:**

**Gary Aronhalt** announced that **Sarah Duck** reported that she would not be present for the meeting.

**Gary Aronhalt** asked the committee for comments about the Educational Advisory Committee webpage on the watershed website. There were no comments.

**Introductions:**

**Ashley Bodkins** is a Senior Agent with the University of Maryland Extension Office in Mt. Lake Park.

**Reggie Breeding** is the Stormwater Engineer within the Garrett County Department of Permits & Inspections.

**Presentations:**

**Ashley Bodkins** presented a PowerPoint presentation titled “**Home Landscape Best Management Practices**”. Her presentation focused on best management practices for the homeowner including rain barrels and rain gardens. She also briefly covered the Sea Grant Program, the Bay-Wise Maryland Yardstick Program, and several tools, and apps, and programs from Maryland and other states.

**Reggie Breeding** provided a presentation of the history of stormwater regulations in Garrett County. He referenced Garrett County’s Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance and

Stormwater Management Ordinance. He also referenced COMAR regulations regarding stormwater and the Maryland Stormwater Design Manual (Vol I & II). Several questions were raised regarding the requirements for roadside ditches. Reggie responded and the committee suggested that a presentation from the Garrett County Roads Department and State Highway Administration would be helpful.

Reggie then presented a PowerPoint presentation on Environmentally Sensitive Designs for stormwater management. He included many examples from Garrett County.

### **Administrative Council Update**

**Gary Aronhalt** asked the committee if anyone had not yet received the DNR Fall 2017 - Deep Creek Lake Update. He handed out several copies to the committee volunteers.

**Gary Aronhalt** provided responses to previous questions to the Administrative Council:

**Barbara Beelar:** Did the Administrative Council consider the timeline identified in the DCWMP when prioritizing Goals?

**Response:** While the timeline was recognized, it was not a primary factor. The document was completed in 2014 and adopted on 7 March 2016 and the Administrative Council was not formed until the signing of the 2<sup>nd</sup> MOU in November 2016. The primary focus was on the collaborative priorities of the three agencies and the ability to accomplish the goals with the resources available. The priorities were further sub-divided into short-term and long-term goals.

**Richard Matlick:** How does the Watershed Management Plan address sediment and remediation?

**Response:** The topic is addressed in the Deep Creek Watershed Management Plan. Problem Statement #5 and formation of the Water Quality sub-committee both described on page #8 reference erosion and sedimentation. The individual goals, objectives, and strategies are self-explanatory.

### **Meeting Conclusion**

**Richard Matlick** agreed to postpone his presentation about Anne Arundel County's Watershed Program until the February meeting. He stated the information presented at this meeting would help him to revise his presentation.

**Gary Aronhalt** stated that the agenda item concerning Real Estate Outreach would also need to be postponed because the presentations and question/ answer session ran longer than expected.

**Questions for the Administrative Council:**

**Gary Aronhalt** asked if there were any questions to be presented to the Administrative Council. Ken Fisher submitted one question and multiple volunteers collectively submitted another question.

**Ken Fisher:** Can the Administrative Council establish a timeline for their prioritized goals?

**Several Volunteers:** Can the Administrative Council provide a list of the top 3 priorities?

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