On Wednesday, December 11, 2019, ACEC Missouri held their regular Liaison Committee meeting with representatives of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. The notes below follow the agenda and summarize the key points of discussion from the meeting.

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DISCUSSION ITEMS (see attached agenda):

MRBCA guidance document will be out soon.

CCR rules have been withdrawn. Plan to cover closures with RCRA permits.

Proposed rules being developed for hazardous waste generators, pharmaceuticals, air bag recalls, aerosol cans.

CCR - EPA updates recently. Out for comments on December 2nd.

Court decision on EPA website.

Wholesale approach to closures. If not possible then groundwater monitoring.

Permitting package coming from EPA – how to implement and what are the flexibilities state by state. Operating on recent court decision which doesn’t allow for much flexibility.

Will use state CCR website for communications on this issue. Will have stakeholder meetings before any rule drafting.

Hazardous waste fees proposal stakeholder meeting February 25th, E. Elm Street, Jefferson City. Possible 3 years of increases, then go down in 2023. Need to figure out how to recycle lithium ion batteries.

Water Program fees need to be increased, both for Drinking Water and Water Protection. With
new rules coming out, need to increase. Will have stakeholder meetings in 2020. Shortfall for Clean Water Program because of the MDNR’s desire to keep administration costs for SRF dedicated to SRF. SRF sells state bonds in order to match federal funding. Also need additional funding to market the programs better to stakeholders and fee payers. $5 million is target for overall fee increase needed after 2020. This involves 16 different program fees. MDNR building the justification by keeping track of staff hours on various programs.

Discussed updates on water quality standards, triennial review status, multi-discharger variance for multi-cell facultative lagoons, and nutrient trading.

WOTUS - no new rules out yet. Still must comply with Missouri Clean Water law. Need permits for any discharge of any water contaminate. Still have issues with the ditches in the bootheel area.

Some discussion on “blending” now known as the Wet Weather Management rule.

SRF – 5 more workshops coming in 2020. January 15th clean water applications due. February 15th drinking water applications due. Currently have grant money for subdivisions that end on December 31st. Wastewater grants for cities less than 10,000 population. April 1st is deadline for small cities grants. Will do another needs survey in 2020 regarding drinking water needs, which helps determine how much federal funds Missouri gets. SRF still has considerable loan capacity. More design-build projects going out and loaning to private entities like Missouri American Water. Still concerns about public/private funding projects by selling bonds. Hoping that bigger cites will use SRF funding. Discussed the lead/copper pipe proposed rules.
Missouri Department of Natural Resources /  
American Council of Engineering Companies of Missouri  
Liaison Committee

Wednesday, December 11, 2019  
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.  
ACEC/MO Office  
200 E. McCarty Street, Jefferson City, MO 65101

NOTE: ACEC/MO members please arrive at 9:30 a.m. for pre-meeting.

AGENDA

1. Introductions
2. Staffing changes / new org charts available
3. Programs Funding Status
4. Clean Water Topics  
   a. Update on Water Quality Standards  
   b. Triennial Review outcome/status  
   c. Multiple cell lagoons variance  
   d. Nutrient Trading – EPA reforms
5. Current Federal Administration and EPA Issues  
   a. WOTUS  
   b. Blending
7. Coal Combustion Residuals Rule
8. PISTIF/LUST/VCP/Superfund MRBCA program and regulations update
9. Clean Water SRF updates/status  
   a. Water/Wastewater Infrastructure Financing Workshops
10. MRWA Small Community Wastewater Services (possible engineering overlap)
11. MCE Sues EPA to Protect Missouri Lakes & Human Health
12. Future Forecasting on Solid Waste and/or CCR lashes and rules in 2020
13. Other Topics
14. Word of the Day

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