

Water Quality Advisory Group

November 10, 2025, Meeting Notes

Meeting Location

Virtual Meeting on Teams

Remote Teams Meeting link

Attendance

Members Present (In-person and remote)

- Amy Stevens
- Mark Symobrski
- Bob Buglass
- Travis Gorleski
- Tracy Rouleau
- Allison Wright

Members Not Present

- Phillip Mariscal
- Amanda Rockler
- Linda Silversmith
- Keith Brooks

Proof of Quorum

A quorum was not present, and no official business or voting was conducted.

Staff Present

• Ho-Ching Fong

Guests

None

Guest Speakers

None

Handouts

None

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM.

Welcome and Introductions

Travis pointed out that the assigned notetaker was not present. The group waited for the notetaker but then proceeded with Tracy Rouleau and Travis Gorleski doing the notetaking.

Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Notes

The group reviewed the meeting notes from the October meeting. There were no recommended edits or comments. A quorum was not present, the meeting notes could not be formally reviewed.

Review and Approval of Meeting Agenda

The draft agenda for the meeting was reviewed. One member had accidentally been linked to an agenda from earlier in the year and made sure that the proper meeting agenda had been sent out. The rest of the members received the correct agenda for the November meeting but no quorum was present so the agenda could not be formally approved. The group proceeded with the proposed agenda for discussion purposes only.

Meeting Notes Agenda Items

- 1. Discuss drafting recommendations regarding water supply issues
 - a. The group is very interested in the question of securing water supply, and is wondering how we can help move along the process, if necessary. It was recommended that the group reach out to Steven Beiber and see how the water quality advisory group can give more priority to the Travilah quarry development.

2. Review of Future topics

- a. the next agenda item on the list was the watershed assessment countywide trend analysis. This topic will be discussed at the December meeting.
- b. Travis mentioned that with prospective new members joining, an "introductory" topic that would be very interesting to them might increase the chance that they will follow through on joining the group. The group discussed January as a good month, and that urban best management practices may be a good topic. Mark Symborski suggested narrowing down the topic of "urban best management practices" to urban best management practices: nature-based solutions."
- c. The priority speakers list was updated to include a breakdown of urban best management practices into two separate topics: overview and nature based solutions.

- d. A link to nature-based stormwater solutions was provided:
 https://www.cbf.org/blogs/save-the-bay/2025/08/what-were-watching-marylands-whole-watershed-act-pilot-program.html
- e. Mark was on the group that looked at nature-based solutions and feels it may be something worth getting a presentation for. Pam rose was leading it. They are a subset of urban best management practices. Mark mentioned that an "opportunities study" would be very beneficial if it ever happened.
- f. Amy Stevens mentioned that budget season begins in January, so any opportunities to weave quick "budget" presentations into the meeting would be beneficial. March is the operating budget month, and January is the CIP (Capital Improvement Budget).
- 3. Reports of Officers, Boards, Standing Committees
 - a. None
- 4. Reports of Special Committees
 - a. None
- 5. Special Orders
 - a. Other Discussions: The new person who will fill Ho-Ching's Role on the water quality advisory group, likely in January when other new employees are brought on. For the first meeting, both Ho-Ching and the new employee will be present.
- 6. Unfinished Business and General Orders
 - a. None

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on December 8, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. Keith Brooks will be the notetaker for the next meeting. Philip Mariscal already said he will be unable to attend due to a scheduling conflict. Travis Gorleski said he may attend but will be on vacation and it depends on how his itinerary plays out. He will bring his computer and a hotspot just in case.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 PM.