



# Wisconsin Land+Water Conservation Association

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## Technical Committee

### Meeting Minutes

<b>Date: Dec 12, 2019</b>	
<b>Start Time: 9:30 A.M.</b>	
<b>End Time: 12:00 P.M.</b>	
<b>Location:</b>	Holiday Inn & Convention Center, Stevens Point (Wisconsin Room) 1001 Amber St Stevens Point, WI 54482 715-344-0200 ( <i>Chairperson: Matt Hanewall</i> )
<b>Conference Phone:</b>	515-604-9537 (long distance rates may apply)
<b>Conf ID:</b>	567881
<b>Committee Members:</b> Paul Sebo, Washington Co.; Matt Albright, Vernon Co.; Ben Dufford, Bayfield Co.; Shawn Esser, Dane Co.; Paul Fredrich, Kewaunee Co.; Brian Goepfert, Juneau Co.; Mike Haase, Winnebago Co.; Matt Hanewall, La Crosse Co. (Chair); Paul Klose, Marinette Co.; Bob Micheel, Monroe Co.; Dan O’Connell, Portage Co.; Erik Heagle, Grant Co.; Adam Groshek, Wood Co.	<b>In Attendance:</b> Albright, Brunner, Chapman, Dufford, Esser, Gilbertson, Goepfert, Groshek, Haase, Heagle, Micheel, O’Connell, Pozorski, Sebo, Woodrow
<u>Non-Voting Advisors:</u> Matthew Woodrow – DATCP, Mike Gilbertson – DNR, Eric Hurley - NRCS	<b>Absent Committee Members:</b> Fredrick, Klose
<b>WI Land+Water Staff:</b> Kate Brunner, SOC Coordinator.	
<b>Notes</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WI Land+Water meetings are open meetings. Individuals may observe in person or via conference phone if desired.</li> <li>• Order and time allowed for agenda items may be changed due to pace of meeting or at the discretion of the committee chair.</li> </ul>	
<b>Next Meeting Date:</b> TBD	

### ALL AGENDA ITEMS ARE ACTIONABLE.

- **Call to order:**
  - **Roll Call - Adopt agenda**      Agenda adopted by consensus
  - **Approve previous meeting minutes**      Minutes adopted by consensus
- **Introduction of Ken Pozorski (Hanewall)**      Ken Pozorski, Marathon Co. was introduced to the committee by Hanewall
- **2019 Fall Technical Tour Review and Ideas for Next Year (All)**      The committee briefly discussed the 2019 Fall Technical Tour that took place in Vernon County. It was well attended and well received by those in attendance. The committee thanked the Vernon County staff for hosting the tour this year.
- **WLW News (Brunner)**      Brunner briefly discussed the Technical committee budget. We spend roughly \$700.00 towards the fall technical tour and roughly \$600.00 towards general tech committee expenses.
- **SOC Update and Recruitment of New SOC Advisory Member (Brunner)**      Brunner mentioned that the SOC committee is seeking another individual to represent the counties due to the retirement of Bruce Olson, LaCrosse County.

- **Update on the Verification of Land Features Standard (Brunner and Woodrow)**  
Brunner updated the committee on the status of the standard. The standard covers the eastern part of the state where Silurian Dolomite occurs. The standard essentially explains how to verify depth to bedrock in these regions. She briefly discusses the various methods that can be used to verify depth to bedrock. She expects an expert review will be completed in January 2020 followed by an initial review in February 2020. She expects that there will be a public review in Spring 2020. The document could be published by the end of the year.
- **Update on the Significant Discharge Guidance Document Rewrite (Gilbertson)**  
Gilbertson mentioned that the “process wastewater” language was removed from the document. The document has been sent to the attorneys for approval. He mentioned that “direct runoff” was much better suited for the guidance document.
- **P.L. 566 Watershed Study (Micheel)** Micheel gave a brief update on the P.L. 566 Watershed Study. They expect an 18 month outcome for the planning phase followed by a 3-5 year design/engineering phase. 1.5 million dollars will be spent between Vernon and Monroe County.
- **Status of the Proprietary Filtration Devices Standard (Eric Rortvedt) – 11:00 AM**  
Rortvedt joined the meeting at 11:00 am via conference call to explain what is happening with the Proprietary Filtration Devices Standard. He discussed the various types of filtration devices that are available. He also mentioned that above ground bioretention devices are above ground devices and are not proprietary. They are not included in this standard.
- **SITCOM Update (O’Connell)** O’Connell mentioned that the curriculum teams should have met by now to discuss trainings for 2020. Woodrow was on the engineering team.
- **2020 WLW Conference Raffle Ticket Sales (O’Connell)** The technical committee will be offering raffle tickets at the annual conference again next March. The committee discussed offering more tickets in the range of 1200-1300 tickets for sale. Ticket sales go towards the scholarship fund. A special raffle is being held for a Canadian fishing trip that will go towards youth education.
- **Update on NRCS State Soil Health Subcommittee (Hanewall)** Hanewall stated that the soil health subcommittee has not met recently.
- **Guiding Principles Document Update (Hanewall)** Hanewall presented the Guiding Principles Document to the committee. It was unanimously approved as is and will be forwarded on to Wisconsin Land & Water.
- **2020 Meeting Dates (Hanewall)** Next year’s tentative meeting dates will be the following: March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2020, Week of August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020 (joint meeting with PIC), and December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020
- **New Business** Goepfert will be resigning as committee secretary. Heagle volunteered to be the new committee secretary.
- **Adjourn** Meeting adjourned at 11:57 am