AGENDA
Food, Land & Water Project
Groundwater Quantity Workgroup Meeting

June 15, 2017
Hotel Mead - Wisconsin Rapids, WI

8:30 am  Continental Breakfast and Conversation
9:00  Plenary Session With Other Workgroups (Jim VandenBrook)
  • Welcome to our Final Workgroup Meeting
  • Progress Report
  • Today’s Plan
  • Next Steps – Steering Committee Meeting on August 23, 2017 and Conference October 16-17, 2017

9:30  Welcome and Summary of Framework So Far (Facilitator and Co-Chairs)
9:45  Workgroup Discussion – Consider action alternatives, such as:
  • Do nothing.
  • Wait for DNR study on Central Sands watersheds identified in Senate Bill 76 (3 years to completion).
  • Pending completion of DNR study, implement voluntary groundwater quantity management pilot project in the Little Plover River basin (where groundwater modeling has already been completed).
    o Involve municipal, industrial and agricultural users, if possible.
    o Agree on mechanisms to encourage conservation.
    o Consider mechanisms to generate funding for voluntary pumping reductions or buy-outs of high-impact wells.
  • Support legislation similar to Michigan/Minnesota approach (consider cumulative impact, allow excluded users to acquire rights from existing users).
  • Support legislation for Central Sands groundwater pricing mechanism.

12:00  Lunch and informal conversation (including other Workgroups)
1:00  Continue Workgroup Discussion
  • Recommend action alternative(s)
  • Suggestions for Workgroup Report to the FLW Steering Committee

2:30  Share final thoughts
3:00  Adjourn